

# Civic Memorial High School

## Home of the Eagles!

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### August 2018

- August 13 - Freshman Orientation  
Honors Meeting - 5:30 PM  
Student Orientation - 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM  
Parent Meeting - 6:15 PM
- August 15 - First Day of School (2:34 PM Release)
- August 16 - School Picture Day
- August 16 - Open House at 6:00 PM and Drug Awareness Seminar at 7:00 PM
- August 23 - Homecoming Voting
- August 24 - Club Fair in CMHS Commons
- August 24 - Pep Rally

#### September 2018

- September 3 - No School Labor Day
- September 4 - Grades Available in PowerSchool
- September 7 - Deadline to register for 10/6 SAT
- September 8 - ACT at CMHS
- September 14 - Midterms
- September 17-22 - Homecoming Week
- September 21 - S.I.P. Early Dismissal
- September 21 - Homecoming Parade
- September 22 - Coronation at 7:00 PM and Dance at 8:00 PM
- September 28 - Health Careers - Blood Drive

#### October 2018

- October 5 - No School - District Institute
- October 8 - No School - Columbus Day
- October 17 - School Picture Retakes
- October 19 - Josten's Class Meeting with 10th graders about class rings
- October 19 - Josten's Class Meeting with 12th graders about graduation supplies
- October 19 - End of Quarter I
- October 19 - Early Dismissal
- October 19 - ASVAB

### Welcome Back to School!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The 2018-19 school year is right around the corner! We are looking forward to a great year with our students at C.M.H.S. Civic Memorial High School is an excellent school and we appreciate your support in encouraging your students to excel! The beginning of the year can be stressful; however, know that you can contact us any time with questions or concerns. Once again, we look forward to a great year! Thank you!  
Mr. Justin Newell, Principal

### Stay Connected!

We have a number of ways that you can stay connected at C.M.H.S. You can follow us on Facebook and Twitter by visiting the Civic Memorial High School webpage. Please be sure to call the main office if you change your address or phone number so that we can provide you with the most current information. If you have an email on file, we will send you daily announcements.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/civictimemorial>

Instagram: newelljustin

Twitter: @MrNewellCM and @CM\_Eagles

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Just send  
"Y" or "Yes"  
to 67587

### C.M.H.S. Athletics!

The Fall season for athletics is getting ready to begin for the 2018-19 school year and we look forward to another successful year! Students wishing to participate must be sure they have a current physical and waiver on file. All required forms for participation can be downloaded by visiting <https://cmsports.bethalto.org>

#### Start Dates:

- Football - Monday, August 6, 2018
- Volleyball - Wednesday, August 8, 2018
- Cross Country - Wednesday, August 8, 2018
- Girls Tennis - Wednesday, August 8, 2018
- Boys Soccer - Wednesday, August 8, 2018
- Boys and Girls Golf - Wednesday, August 8, 2018



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### School Supplies

Teachers will let students know what materials they will need for each class during the first week of school. A good starting point is to have loose-leaf paper, binders, folders, pencils, and pens that will help with the initial days of school. It is also suggested that students purchase some type of agenda that they may use to keep track of their assignments. The school will not be providing agendas to students. Visit [goo.gl/ZU9Koe](http://goo.gl/ZU9Koe) on the web for a tentative list.

### Computer Bags

For the 2018-19 school year, the district will no longer provide students with a computer bag. Students will need to provide their own "messenger" style bag. At the end of the 2017-18 school year, all 9th, 10th, and 11th graders were given their district issued computer bag and they may continue to use those bags; however, the district will no longer provide repairs for them. We will have a limited supply of bags available for purchase at the beginning of the year. Students will not be issued a computer unless they have a computer bag. On the Civic Memorial High School website, we have links to Amazon and Walmart of approved bags. It **must be a messenger style bag** that is designed to fit an 11.6 - 12-inch laptop computer. Please call the main office if you have any questions.

### ASVAB

What is the ASVAB Test? The ASVAB is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. Students can take the test on **October 19, 2018 at 11:15 AM.**

### Counselor's Corner

Parents and students are reminded to visit the School Counseling Department page on the CMHS website. A wealth of information for all grade levels can be found there. Scholarships are posted on the Civic Memorial High School website. Parents and students now have the ability to sign up for text messages from the School Counseling Department by visiting our website! The school counselors will be meeting with all seniors at the end of August. The freshmen will be meeting with their counselor at the end of September. If you have any questions about your student or college and career planning, contact the School Counseling Department!

### School Supply Drop Off!

10th, 11th, and 12th grade students may drop off their school supplies on **Friday, August 10, 2018 from 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM.** Students wishing to drop off their school supplies must remember their locker number and combination from the 2017-18 school year!

### PowerSchool

Grades will be ready to be viewed on **Tuesday, September 4, 2018** in PowerSchool. Please contact the main office if you need assistance in viewing your student's grades in PowerSchool.

### Express Sign Out

Does your student need to leave early? If so, we can help make this a quick and convenient process! Just send a note with your student and have them drop it off in the main office before school and we will have your student in the office waiting to leave when you show up to school. Please remember to bring your drivers license when signing out your student.

### CM Open House

We will hold our annual Open House on **August 16, 2018 from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM.** During this event, you will have an opportunity to meet your student's teachers. Following open house, we will have a parent information seminar entitled, "Drug Awareness and Protecting Your Child" at 7:00 PM in the CMHS auditorium.

### Bell Schedule Update

Students at C.M.H.S. will have the opportunity to continue to enjoy the benefits of having a modified block schedule. However, some minor changes have been made to the schedule. Students will start at 8:00 AM with a 2:34 PM release Monday thru Friday. On block days (Wednesdays and Thursdays), students will be assigned to a study hall period for the last 30 minutes of the day. Students will NOT have to attend the study hall if they meet the following criteria:

- 5 or fewer absences
- C or better in all classes
- No more than 2 disciplinary points

Students must sign in their study hall room before leaving the building. Those wishing to leave during study hall must provide their own transportation.

### Attendance Information

If it is necessary for your student to miss part of a day, please keep the following in mind. For purposes of determining daily attendance, which is the basis of a large part of school funding, the state has the following guidelines:

- A student may be considered present all day if he/she misses 51 minutes or less of the school day.
- If a student misses 51 to 149 minutes he/she is considered to be absent half a day. More than 149 minutes is considered a full day.
- Personal illness, serious illness in the family, or other circumstances making attendance or punctuality extremely difficult will be the only **legitimate** excuse for absences or tardiness. Oversleeping and car trouble are considered unexcused.
- If a parent calls on the day of the absence, it is not necessary for the student to bring a written excuse. If a parent does not call on the day of the absence, a note from the parent detailing the reason for the absence is required. This note must be presented when the student returns. ***An absence that has not been excused five (5) days after a student returns will remain classified as unexcused.***
- If you know that your student must leave during the day for an appointment, please send a note with your child in the morning so he/she can get a pass and we don't have to interrupt the classroom. Students must have a pass to get out of class.
- If students feel ill during the school day they are to go to the nurse and she will notify the parents. Students are not to use their cell phones to call their parents. If students must leave during the day, they must sign out in the main office. Leaving without permission will constitute truancy.
- Once a student has missed five days of school in a given semester, all other absences after the fifth one will require a written physician's excuse for each absence to be excused.

**A student who misses more than 12 days per semester can have credit for that course withheld. A student who has missed 12 days or more can reclaim a day of attendance by attending two sessions of Friday Night School.**

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