

Civic Memorial High School

Home of the Eagles!

Important Dates

January 2019

- January 3 - First day of 2nd Semester
- January 4 - Deadline for 2/9/19 ACT
- January 8 - Fine Arts Boosters Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- January 17 -Registration Night/Course Fair 5:30pm
- January 18&19 - SIUE Bi-State Honor Band Festival
- January 21 - No School - M.L.K.
- January 24 - Board Meeting at 6:30 PM
- January 25-27 - IMEA All-State Choir and Band

February 2019

- February 1 - Midterms
- February 7 & 8 - C.M. & Trimpe Cabaret Concert at 7:00 in Auditorium
- February 8 - Registration deadline for 3/9/19 SAT
- February 9 - ACT (Not at CM)
- February 12 - Fine Arts Boosters Meeting 6:00p.m.
- February 14 - Early Dismissal (10:45 AM)
- February 14 - Parent Teacher Conf. 3:00 - 7:00 pm
- February 15 - No School - Teacher's Institute
- February 18 - No School - President's Day
- February 21 - MVC Honor Band and Choir at McKendree University
- February 23 - TWIRP Dance (7:00 PM - 10:00 PM)
- February 25 - Health Careers Blood Drive
- February 28 - C.M. Band Winter Showcase 7:00pm
- February 28 - Board Meeting at 6:30 PM

March 2019

- March 2 - IHSA Band & Choir Solo and Ensemble in Alton
- March 5 - Fine Arts Boosters Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- March 7 - Community Night
- March 8 - Early Dismissal-School Improvement Day
- March 8 - ASVAB Test at 11:15 a.m.
- March 8 - Registration deadline for 4/13/19 ACT
- March 8 - End of 3rd Quarter
- March 8 & 9 - Spring Musical at 7:00 p.m.
- March 10 - Spring Musical at 2:00 p.m.
- March 11 - Winter Sports Awards at 6:00 p.m.
- March 12 - Honor Society Inductions at 7:00 p.m.
- March 14 - Pi Day
- March 18-22 - No School - Spring Break

Principal's Note!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We had an outstanding 1st semester; however, we are delighted to see what 2019 brings to Eagle Nation. We are excited to once again have the opportunity to work with your student! Our teachers look forward to providing your students with the best educational experience possible. At C.M.H.S., we are committed to providing your student with an education that will prepare them to be College and Career Ready. We believe education is a partnership between the school, the student, and the parent. Communication is an essential part of that partnership and we value your input as we provide your student with a quality education. Please contact us if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Once again, we look forward to a great semester!

Sincerely, Mr. Justin Newell, Principal

Second Semester Finals

Students can be exempt from final exams for 2nd semester if they meet all of the following requirements:

- 5 or fewer absences for the 2nd semester
- 2 or fewer tardies for the 2nd semester
- C or better in their classes
- 2 or fewer of discipline points

*****Students enrolled in dual-credit classes will have to take final exams per the dual-credit requirements.*****

New Raptor Visitor Screening Service

Civic Memorial High School is pleased to announce that we will begin a trial of the Raptor Visitor Management System to strengthen our program of campus safety for students and faculty. The Raptor system will better allow us to screen visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our schools and provide us with a safer environment for our students and staff. Upon entering a district building, visitors will be asked to present an ID such as a Driver's License, which can either be scanned or manually entered into the system. If a parent or guardian for any reason does not have a US government-issued ID, the school staff member can use any form of identification and manually enter the person's name into the Raptor system. The Raptor system will check to ensure that registered sexual offenders are not entering our school campuses without our knowledge. The Raptor system checks the visitor's name and date of birth for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. The registered sex offender database is the only official database checked by the Raptor system. No other data from the ID is gathered or recorded and the information is not shared with any outside agency. Once entry is approved, Raptor will issue a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of his/her visit. A visitor's badge will not be necessary for those who visit our schools simply to drop off an item in the office or pick up paperwork. The safety of our students is our highest priority and the Raptor visitor management system allows us to quickly identify those that may present a danger to our students. Thank you in advance for your understanding and your support in enhancing the school safety protocols in our district.



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The Power of Attendance

At C.M.H.S., we constantly strive for **95% attendance as a school**. We understand as educators and parents, students can become ill and need to recover and get well. Please encourage your student to attend tutoring Monday - Thursday if they are absent from school so they have an opportunity to turn in missing work and regain instructional time. When students are well they should remain in school and we graciously ask for your support in making appointments or managing personal business matters after the school day. Please support our goal of 95% attendance.

***** Students who miss 12 or more days of school for the semester may have credit withheld.*****

Attendance Rate Chart		
% Rate of Attendance	Days Absent	Instruction Missed
95%	9	0.5 Months
90%	18	1 Month
85%	27	1.5 Months
80%	37	2 Months
75%	46	2.5 Months

Collinsville Area Vocational Center

Current 11th grade students who meet the established prerequisites will have the opportunity to attend the Collinsville Area Vocational Center (CAVC) beginning in the Fall of 2019. The Collinsville Area Vocational Center is a two-year, public vocational training center for high school students. Housed on the campus of Collinsville High School, CAVC is a cooperative program which also includes students from Dupou High School, East Alton-Wood River High School, Highland High School, Lebanon High School, Mascoutah High School and Triad High School. Students will be able to leave campus in the afternoon to attend classes for the following vocational programs:

- Auto Body Repair, Automotive Repair, Building Trades, Clinical Health Occupations, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice, Electronics, Engineering, Food Service, Precision Machining, and Welding.

Many of the programs at the CAVC include dual credit classes from Southwestern Illinois College. More information will be provided to current 11th grade students during the registration process.

For more information, please visit: <https://sites.google.com/a/cusd.kahoks.org/cavc/>

Parent Registration Information Night - Course Fair

On January 17, 2019, the CMHS school counselors, along with teachers from each department, will host a course fair and registration information night. This is a great opportunity to hear about the course registration process for the 2019/20 school year. New this year, our faculty will host a course fair which is an excellent way to hear about all of the courses we offer at CMHS! For parents/guardians of CMHS students who are currently in grades 9-11, we ask that you attend the counselor presentation in the CMHS Auditorium at 5:30 with the course fair to follow. Parents of 8th grade students from Trimpe, Zion and Queen of Peace should attend the course fair at 6:00 in the CMHS Commons and then the counselor presentation at 6:30 in the Auditorium. Course selection is a very important, and sometimes daunting task, for our students. We hope the information presented in this session will provide parents with the necessary tools to help their children navigate this vital task. Our goal is to have our students placed in courses that best meet their interests and needs. Hope to see you there!

2019-2020 Course Registration Information

Course registration is a very important component of your child's education and parents are a vital part of the registration process. It is our goal to have students placed in classes that will provide the best possible experiences for their future endeavors.

On Friday, January 18, 2019, students will have an opportunity to attend a course fair to learn about all the course offerings at C.M. Additionally, on that same day, the school counselors will meet with each class to cover important registration information and to distribute registration forms.

Completed registration forms are collected in the English classes. **All registration forms for students in grades 9-11 must be completed and turned in by January 25, 2018.** The PowerPoint presentations for each class will be posted to the School Counseling Department webpage. Parents are encouraged to view these as well. Students will be instructed to copy the Course Description Guide to their desktops and parents may access the Guide on our webpage.

April 1: Deadline for student/parent initiated schedule changes. Schedule change forms are available in the Counseling Office or on our webpage. All schedule change forms must be returned by April 1, 2019.

<http://cmhs-guidance.weebly.com/counseling-handbook.html>

We thank you in advance for the guidance you provide to your child throughout this task. No one knows your child better than you!

Illinois 5Essentials Survey

This is a reminder to participate in the parent survey supplement, part of the Illinois 5Essentials Survey administration. We guarantee that survey responses will never be connected to the identity of your child. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Please visit <https://survey.5-essentials.org/Illinois/> to take the parent survey.

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