



Cheektowaga Central Middle School



AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Principal's Message

Greetings staff, students and families,

We have been busily preparing for our 2023-24 school year this summer, as our administrative team and office staff have worked to ensure. We are grateful for our custodial department and their hard work preparing our school for the start of the year. Thank you to our staff for making this a special and safe place to work and learn- what a great school our community has to offer our students!

Please see our newsletter to prepare for the first weeks of school. Feel free to contact our office Monday- Friday, from 8-3 with any questions or needs at 716-686-3660. We hope these last weeks and days are filled with memories, relaxation and excitement and we anticipate the new year ahead. We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Best wishes,

Chris Salinas, Ed.D.
Principal

Upcoming Dates

August 28		5th Grade Orientation (See times on p. 2)
August 28	*Details on Page 2!	5th & 6th Grade Supply Drop-off: 8-12pm
August 29		7th & 8th Grade Supply Drop-off: 8-12pm

September 6	First Day of School
September 15	Picture Day
September 21	Open House @ 5pm
All of September	Locker Ladder Sale (See details Pg. 4)



CCSD Student Code of Conduct



SCAN ME!



School Contact Information

Main Office	716.686.3660
Student Services	716.686.3649
Principal: Dr. Salinas	716.686.3662
Asst. Principal: Dr. Daniels	716.686.3663

Stay Updated!



School Hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri

7:45am - 2:37pm

Wednesday

7:45am - 1:37pm

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<https://twitter.com/cheektowagaMS>

Important Dates & Details

5th Grade Important Information

Orientation and Supply Drop Off

All incoming 5th grade students who are attending CCMS for the 2023-2024 school year are invited to attend orientation at their designated times on **August 28th**. We look forward to having all of our new students attend on this day.

Where?

All students will report to the Middle School **main entrance**

When?

- Last name begins with **A - L** 1:00 - 2:00 pm
- Last name begins with **M - Z** 2:30 - 3:30 pm

WELCOME TO
5th Grade!

Supply Drop Off Grades 6, 7, 8 August 28-29

When?

- Grade 6 August 28 - 8:30 - 12:00 pm
- Grade 7 August 29 - 8:30 - 12:00 pm
- Grade 8 August 29 - 8:30 - 12:00 pm

Where?

Enter through the Middle School Main Entrance

CCMS OPEN HOUSE- September 21st, 5-7 p.m.

Families are invited to walk the track, meet and greet their teachers and teams and tour the building with their schedules on September 21st from 5-7 p.m.

School Supply List

Scan to View!

Or

Go to:

<https://www.cheektowagak12.org/Page/2162>



Schedules

- Final schedules for students will be available the last week of August and can be viewed on the Parent Portal.
- Paper copies of schedules will be mailed home to families as well.
- 5th graders will receive a paper copy of this as well at orientation.
- Classes and teams are not yet finalized
- Counselors return at the end of August and will be finalizing schedules and emails at that time.

Important Information

Grade Level Leaders

The following staff are delegated grade level leaders for each grade. To contact them, you can email them with their first initial, last name and @ccsd-k12.net (ex: csalinas@ccsd-k12.net)

5th Grade Mr. M. Skierczynski	6th Grade Ms. L. Braddock
7th Grade Mr. M. Buscaglia	8th Grade Mr. L. Silliman

CCMS Student Handbook 2023-2024



Scan Me!

School Counselors

Our school counselors and school social worker are:

- Mrs. Goc
- Mrs. Dudas
- Mrs. Schu
- Mrs. Kean



Please note the assignments to learn of your son or daughter's school counselor:

5th Grade	
Guidance Counselor:	Teacher:
Mrs. Goc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skierczynski • Zilliox • MacVittie • Willson
Mrs. Schu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gandy • Lewis
Mrs. Dudas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wasner • Masse

Grades 6-8	
Mrs. Dudas	6th Grade
Mrs. Schu	7th Grade
Mrs. Goc	8th Grade

Locker Ladder Sale

Locker Ladders

Available Colors:

- Black
 - Red
 - Blue
 - Purple
 - Pink
- \$25
(Including Tax)
- *Exact Change preferred*

*Proceeds will go toward the
National Junior Honors Society

Sale starts August 28th & 29th (During
supply drop-off) from 8:30am-12pm at
the Middle School Main Entrance

Sale continues September 1st-30th
*See Mrs. Kwilas in M204



Cheektowaga Boys & Girls Club Information

Cheektowaga Boys and Girls Club



**JOIN US AFTER SCHOOL FOR SPORTS,
GAMES, ARTS AND CRAFTS, AND
COMMUNITY PROJECTS!**

**CLUBHOUSE ACCEPTS 2ND - 8TH GRADE STUDENTS
YEARLY MEMBERSHIP FEE \$100/CHILD**

**CLUBHOUSE OPENS SEPTEMBER 6TH
AFTER-SCHOOL HOURS
MONDAY - FRIDAY 2:30-6:00PM
WEDNESDAY 1:30-6:00PM**

**2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION IS OPEN
BECOME A MEMBER
AT CHEEKTOWAGABGC.ORG**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:
gabscottbgc@gmail.com**



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

PTA

CHEEKTOWAGA MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA

**Say yes!
Be a PTA
VOLUNTEER**

WHY JOIN THE PTA?

The PTA provides support for our teachers, administrators, students, and parents while encouraging the 5 Bs and helping to support Project Positive. Get to know the teachers, staff, and make life-long friends with other parents in the school

****To become a member just join via the link****
ccmswarriors.memberhub.com

SPIRIT WEAR SALE
Starting August 28, 2023

FIRST PTA MEETING OF THE YEAR
Friday, October 13, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.



DONATE YOUR BOTTLES AND CANS
Support our PTA by mentioning our name while dropping off your cans and bottles to
***Fast Cash Redemption – 3820 Union Road
Cheektowaga (Behind the Tim Horton's)**

Don't forget to connect with us on our Facebook Page
"Cheektowaga Middle School PTA 2023-2024"

If you have any questions feel free to contact our President,
Kelly Fink at cheektowagamiddlepta@gmail.com

CCMS Cell Phone Policy

Cheektowaga Central Middle School **CELL PHONE PROCEDURE**



NO CELL PHONES
NO EARBUDS
NO SMART WATCHES

Cheektowaga Central Middle School **PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE**

1ST OFFENSE

Warning. Teacher confiscates cell phone and calls home to inform parent/guardian. Student retrieves their cell phone from the teacher at the end of the day.

2ND OFFENSE

Formal discipline referral. Cell phone confiscated to the Main Office for the remainder of the day. Student to pickup at dismissal.

3RD OFFENSE*

Student drops-off cell phone to the Main Office daily for 2 weeks.
Student to pickup at dismissal.

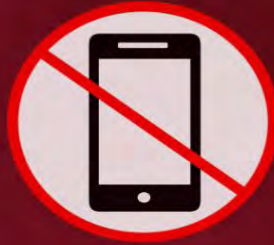
4TH OFFENSE*

Student drops-off cell phone to the Main Office daily for the remainder of the school year.
Student to pickup at dismissal.

***If a student does not fulfill their drop-off responsibilities, parent/guardian will be required to pick-up the student's cell phone from the Main Office.**

CCMS Cell Phone Policy

Cheektowaga Central Middle School **CELL PHONE PROCEDURE**



CELL PHONES OFF AND IN LOCKERS

- It is mandatory for phones to be off and kept in lockers.
- Stored in your locker for the entire school day.
- Off and out of sight includes not using your cell phone during any part of the school day.
- If you need to communicate with your parent/guardian, visit the Main Office to use the student phone.
- Parent/guardians can communicate with their child at anytime throughout the school day by calling the Main Office at (716) 686-3660.

THIS INCLUDES EARBUDS AND SMART WATCHES

- Earbuds are not allowed to be worn during the school day.
- Smart watches that are able to receive text messages and phone calls are not allowed to be worn during the school day.



WHY IS THIS RULE IMPORTANT?

- Face-to-face communication skills are essential.
- Excessive exposure to phones can impact grades and relationships with others.
- Cell phones are built to hold your attention and are a distraction while in school.