

Dear CES Families,

Back to School! We have had a great start! In some ways it feels like we never left. The last two weeks have been fast and furious and now things are settling in as we get into our daily routines. This month we begin our new schedule. Early Release Fridays and Fridays off begin this week. Sept. 6th and 20th we have school but dismiss at 1:15. Lunch will be served on those days. Sept. 13th and 27th there will not be school. I hope you've found the calendar magnet helpful. Below are some other important things for you to know:

1. **All School Remind:** If you haven't already, please sign up for my all school remind. I know most of our teachers have their own classroom remind, but my remind is used for messages that impact our entire school population only. For example, if we are having a PTO meeting, I will send out a remind with that information. I also will let you know as soon as I know about a weather delay (I usually know before it hits the media). To join my remind group, simply text @979fc6 to 81010.
2. **Blog:** As well as staying in touch with the school via Remind, you can see what's happening and learn more about our school if you follow my blog. If you open the link and scroll down, you will see a "subscribe" button in the lower right hand corner. If you subscribe, you will receive an email when I update my blog weekly. Here is the URL: www.cescompass.wordpress.com
3. **Parking Lot:** Things seem to be going more smoothly this year with our pick up and drop off but I just want to remind you of a few things:
 - a. The very front is painted red because it's a fire zone. You may not park there and leave your car. The fire zone is in effect 24 hours a day and you could be ticketed for parking there.
 - b. Each community has their own pick-up zone: Scouts=bus loop on north side, Voyagers and Rangers=front of building, north side of parking lot, Wanderers=front of building, south side of parking lot, Adventurers=Family Center Drive
4. **Field Trips:** We now have a district school operating procedure (SOP) for chaperones, parent transportation, and parents picking students up from field trips. This should have been reviewed at Classroom Night but the bare bones facts are:
 - a. Chaperones must fill out a form prior to the trip that lists expectations
 - b. Chaperones must have a volunteer badge that is issued by the district to be placed in charge of a group of students
 - c. All students must ride to the location of the trip on the bus (unless there is a medical waiver).
 - d. If students are to be picked up by a parent from the trip, a form must be filled out prior to the trip and left at the front office. If students are picked up 30 minutes or more prior to 3:15, they will be marked as having an unexcused absence unless they are leaving for a Dr. appointment or are ill.
5. **School Appropriate Dress:** Please help your children be aware of coming to school dressed appropriately for learning. We've had some issues since school has begun with very short shorts and skirts and shirts with messages/logos for alcohol and violence. Something else to consider is footwear. Flip flops are not always the best choice depending on what is happening that day at school or if students are on a field trip, and of course, flip flops are not allowed in PE. Thanks so much for your help!

Thank you for being a part of our CES Family!

~Mrs. Kelly Albrecht, Principal