

- 3/6 National Tornado Drill
- 3/8 Character Students of the Month Lunch
- 3/9 PTO Carnival, 6-8 PM
- 3/12-16 Penny War
- 3/12 End of 3rd Qtr. for CES
- 3/14 Early Dismissal; 1:45 p.m.
- 3/17 St. Patrick's Day
- 3/19 Children's Literature Festival Field Trip
- 3/20 PTO meeting 7pm in CES Library
- 3/21 Spring Photos
- 3/21 Pizza Hut Fundraiser, eat pizza and support CES
- 3/28 Oriole Strong Day
- 3/28 Early Dismissal; 1:45 p.m.



Morning Drop-off: At CES, we are

looking at our own security measures. You may see us directing cars in the morning and experimenting with some different versions of supervision. These changes are to help direct the flow of traffic, and to keep a more watchful eye on any would-be threats in the mornings. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you. We ask you to please be patient as we work to better our practices for your child's safety.

**PTO Yearbook Orders:** Place your yearbook order before March 9th to take advantage of the sale price! Yearbooks are on sale for \$20 each until March 9th. Yearbook orders placed after March 9th, will be \$25 each. The PTO Yearbook is full of photos from this school year and is a priceless keepsake for students.

**PTO to Meet Next on March 20<sup>th</sup>:** The Parent/Teacher Organization will have a regular meeting on March 20, at 7 pm in the CES Library. All CES parents and teachers are encouraged to attend.

**Statewide Tornado Drill March 6<sup>th</sup>:** On Tuesday, March 6th, CES will participate in the Statewide Tornado drill at approximately 10:00 am. The alternate date is Thursday, March 9th in the case of bad weather.



**School Transportation:** In the event of a transportation issue regarding your child, please contact the transportation department at 463-2756 or 660-223-1990. The transportation department will contact the proper school official if the incident happens outside of the school office operating hours.



## Spring Photos Are March 21st

The Lifetouch photographers will be at CES on Wednesday 3/21 for our annual spring photos. All students will be photographed and each class will have a photo made. Everyone will receive a photo package. If you decide that you do not want the photos, simply send them back to school. If you decide to keep the photos, please send payment. You can also order prints online. A flyer will be sent home soon. Visit Lifetouch at, http://schoolportraits.lifetouch.com/.

End of Quarter is 3/12/18 @ CES: The end of the third quarter is almost here! Progress reports for the third quarter for all students will be sent home on 3/14/18. Parents with questions about the reports are encouraged to contact their child's teacher.

**Student Dress Code:** The purpose of a student dress code is to allow students to learn without any concerns related to dress while still allowing for individual expression in a safe, respectful and responsible way. Students are expected to dress with discretion and appropriateness for the classroom and school functions. The following are specific items of importance, but may not be the only restrictions on dress. The administration will have final approval on any dress code issues.

All clothing worn by students should not interfere with the educational process. Student dress should be free

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from distractions that would inhibit or distract from the learning climate at school and at school events.

Clothing should be of an appropriate length to over the middle of the body. The top and bottom clothing should overlap. Students should avoid low cut tops, strapless tops or spaghetti strap tops.

Shorts and skirts must be fingertip length or come down to mid-thigh or longer. Many young ladies choose to wear shorts under skirts for physical education class and recess.

Shoes must be worn to school. Students should wear appropriate footwear for activities in PE class and for recess. Flips flops, or other backless footwear are not to be worn for recess or PE class. Shoes must be worn at all times during the school day and during school events. Teachers may elect to allow students to remove shoes for special circumstances.

Students should remove hats, caps, hoods, sunglasses and any other head coverings that obscure the face or eyes with the exception of attire worn for medical reasons or as an expression of a student's religious practices.

Student should avoid clothing that advertises products dealing with or having references to profanity, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, sex, violence or representing weapons or gangs.

Clothing that is in any way unhealthy, dangerous or unsafe will not be permitted.

Exceptions may be made to the dress code for field trips and special activities; however, any item of clothing that becomes distractive or dangerous cannot be permitted.

Any items not mentioned but deemed inappropriate will be dealt with by the administration.

Math Relays: CES will be selecting some mathematicians to represent them at area math relays in the near future. The relays themselves aren't until April, dates to be announced later, but practices and selection of participants should be happening very soon. Should your child be selected, know that it is an honor, often a hard choice, and very good for them academically, socially, and competitively. We hope should your child be selected that you allow them to commit to the practices and work that will help them to be competitive at Orrick and Santa Fe in April competitions.



**Penny Wars:** CES Student Council is proud to sponsor our 2nd Penny War! Last year, we were able to raise over \$800 for Warrensburg Animal Shelter and the Veteran's Home. This year, we've chosen to raise money for Children's Mercy, KCMO and the Sweet Springs Food Pantry. Students can bring money (coins, cash, or checks) to put into the bucket for the organization they'd like to support. Start saving those pennies – they really add up! We will collect money March 12th-16th. Thanks for supporting these great causes!

<u>Mystery artist winners</u> for the month of February are Rawnie McCurdy, Aleyna Michaels, Faith Moore, Chloe Stockwell, and Aodhan Visentin



The Mystery Artist was Eugene Delacroix and the painting was Horse Frightened by Lightening.

-Aimee Bredehoeft



The character word of the month is **Cooperation**. Cooperation is working together towards a common goal and being an active member of a team. People who display cooperation show a willingness to be helpful by doing what is asked of them. In Character Ed class this month, we will discuss how to be cooperative and work with others. Students will participate in cooperative activities where they will learn about the importance of working as a team and the characteristics of a good teammate. Here are some ways that you can teach your student about cooperation:

- 1. Help kids understand what cooperation means.
- 2. Model cooperation skills at home and with friends.
- **3.** Role-play how to cooperate.
- 4. Use specific praise to encourage children's efforts to cooperate.
- 5. Plan activities that encourage kids to cooperate.

**Results from February-** During the month of February Concordia Elementary School focused on exhibiting **Courage**. Courage is standing up for what you believe in at all times. It also takes courage to do something you know is going to be very difficult. Being brave and facing your fears is the best way to show courage. We discussed ways to show courage and the older students came up with their own definition of courage. We also talked about building up courage and encouraging students to try new things.

This month we would like to recognize the following students and staff for being selected by their peers for exhibiting courage.

## **CES Character Students of the Month for February:**

Kindergarten- Cheyann Dotson, Rhett Sneed, Rylee Long, and Miya Haynes; 1<sup>st</sup> grade- Jake Wilkens, Makenna Haley, Parker Brackman, Adalee Diamond; 2<sup>nd</sup> grade- Hunter Kearney, Rylie Gordillo, Owen Reid, Jennifer Roberts; 3<sup>rd</sup> grade - Micah Neal, Vani Patel, Kynleigh Abney; 4<sup>th</sup> grade- Liam Gecias, Jenesis Diamond, Raymond Jiang, Elizabeth Francis; 5<sup>th</sup> grade-Keagon Wood, Dayton Hammock, Karli Neal, Rinley Hulver ; 6<sup>th</sup> grade- Wilmer Garcia, Baily Hutler, Dillon McGinnis, Jacey Jolly. Specials- Olivia Hemme, Myles Yancik. Staff- Mr. Petet