

COUGAR NEWS

UPCOMING DATES:

Jan 14	Stem Night
Jan 15	Spelling Bee
Jan 16	CMS 5 th grade parent night
Jan 17	Bread make for 2 nd Grade
Jan 17	Show your school spirit for Decades Day
Jan 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. schools and offices closed
Jan 22	New Family Orientation
Jan. 23	4 th and 5 th Gr. Winter Concert
Jan 27	Professional Work Day – schools closed for students
Feb. 3	Report cards issued
Feb 4	Schools and offices closed – County Elections
Feb 10-13	Scholastic Book Fair

Cougar Club Dates:

Each month students that meet the Cougar ROAR expectations for the whole month earn time for Cougar Club. Some Cougar Club activities are extra recess, making a craft, playing board games, extra computer time, etc. Congratulations to all our Cougar Club classes!

1/24 – Gr. 5

1/29 – Gr. 1

1/30 – K

1/31 – Gr. 2, 3 & 4

Field Trip Planner for 2019-2020

Below is a *current* summary of planned field trips and details about those trips. Additional field trips will be added as approved. Please note that in an attempt to minimize the financial impact, the permission slip and money may be due long before the trip occurs.

We encourage all parents to pay online using our OSP system at <https://osp.osmsinc.com/howardmd>. Paying online makes it easier on both the parents and the teacher. If you pay online PLEASE be sure to select the correct teacher so that payment is directed to the correct class/account. If you are unable to pay online, you may send payment in by check or money order. **We kindly ask that you do not send in cash.** Checks and money orders can be made out to: Clarksville Elementary School.

GRADE	TRIP TO	TRIP DATE	COST
K	Howard County Library	3/4/20	\$0
1	Robinson Nature Center	2/21/20	\$22
2	Bread Make (at CES)	1/17/20	\$9
3			
4	Walters Art Museum	3/11/19	TBD
5	Toby's Dinner Theatre	2/7/20	\$17
Multiple grades			



The Book Fair is coming!!!!

The Annual Scholastic Book Fair is coming February 10th through the 13th! The students will get to preview the Fair the week before and make their wish lists. We'll have more news about this exciting event in a few weeks! We'll be sending a flier home with some of the books featured along with the hours it will be open. We hope to see you there!



From the Principal's Den.....

Happy 2020 to all our CES families!

I hope you all had a restful and relaxing winter break. It is hard to believe but the first semester is coming to a close shortly. This means that the first half of our 2019-20 school year has ended. Report cards for Quarter 2 will be issued on February 3rd. Please be sure to take the time to celebrate your child's growth and success for this school year. We are certainly proud of all their accomplishments, both small and large.

Many thanks to all of our Clarksville families and students for their generous gifts to our CES office staff. We enjoyed the special treats during the festive season and it truly brightened our spirits! I want to send a personal thank you to all of those students and families who sent me gifts and treats....I loved each and every one of them! Your kindness never goes unnoticed. Thank you for always thinking of me! I am truly blessed to be leading such a caring school community.

We also had several December events at CES. We held our annual Hot Cocoa Social. This event is an awesome coordinated effort of our CES staff who truly love to celebrate the love of reading. This is a special night for our CES students and families and what an awesome event for all! As we start into January 2020, there are many upcoming events on the horizon. We have our winter concerts being held by our CES fourth and fifth grade students. Also, we will be hosting our annual STEM evening next week. We hope to see you all there!

So far, it has been a mild winter, however, colder temperatures are par for the month of January and February. Stay warm!

Go Cougars!

Best,

Ms. Malcotti

JERSEY DAY

When: January 31, 2020

Where: CES

Show your support for your favorite sports team.



Decades Day

January 17, 2020

Travel back in time. Show your school spirit and dress down. Wear your favorite styles from the 60s, 70s, 80s or 90s.

Please be sure all outfits are school appropriate.

Be Creative & Have Fun!



WINTER CONCERT TIME IS HERE!

Mrs. D'Avella, Mrs. Cherry and Mr. Deitrich are looking forward to making music with our 4th and 5th grade student performers in chorus, band and strings! Both 4th and 5th grade concerts will be on **Thursday, January 23rd**. Arrival and performance times are as follows:

4TH GRADE: 6:15 performers arrive

6:30 concert start time

5TH GRADE: 7:15 performers arrive

7:30 concert start time

Concert attire is black and white dressy clothes. Any combination of black and white will do. Students should look their best for this special night!

We are excited for our ensembles to share their musical accomplishments with families. We'll see you soon



Mrs. Volker (Clarksville's Technology Teacher) would LOVE to have parent volunteers come & assist during the Kindergarten Technology classes! If you are available, please sign-up for one or more slots at the links below:

- Mrs. Kinner's class (Mondays 1:45 – 2:15)
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040549ADAC2EA57-technology>
- Ms. Hunter's class (Mondays 2:15 – 2:45)
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040549ADAC2EA57-technology1>
- Mrs. Raffael's class (Wednesdays 2:15 – 2:45)
 - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040549ADAC2EA57-technology2>

If you have any questions, please send an email to: **Eileen_Volker@hcpss.org**

BrainPOP & BrainPOP Jr.

<https://www.brainpop.com>



<https://jr.brainpop.com>



Thanks to our wonderful PTA, Clarksville has a school-wide subscription to BrainPOP and BrainPOP Jr! These resources offer cross-curricular animated movies, learning games, interactive quizzes, primary source activities, and a breadth of additional resources.

Teachers will be using BrainPOP and/or BrainPOP Jr. with students in school, but your child can access them at home too! To log-in, students go to: <https://hcpss.me> They click on **MackinVIA** & log-in with their HCPSS Active Directory username & password. Then, in the left menu, students click on **Databases** and voila! ...BrainPOP and BrainPOP Jr. are the first two databases listed!

P.S. If your child is a Kindergartener, he/she may not have their HCPSS Active Directory username & password memorized just yet. Email Mrs. Volker at Eileen_Volker@hcpss.org & she'll be happy to email it to you.

Recycling Ink & Toner

We can recycle your ink or toner while helping to earn money for Clarksville's technology supplies at the same time! They can be new or used, expired or in-date, from your home or your office.... We take it all! This recycling effort is on-going, so you can send them anytime throughout the school year. Please label them "**for Mrs. Volker**". Thank you for going **green**!



JOIN US FOR CLARKSVILLE'S STEM FAMILY NIGHT



Tuesday, January 14
6:00 – 7:30 pm



DISCOVER THE FUN OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,
ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS THROUGH HANDS-ON
ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

STEM Night will be in an **Open House** format. There will be fun short activities that focus on teamwork, cooperation, leadership, problem solving, & perseverance. Move around with your family, trying your hand at various activities.

When you arrive at STEM Family Night, you will be greeted by a teacher & given a program. The program will contain a list of all the offered activities, room locations, and a map.

NOTE: For safety reasons, students may not be dropped off and parents must remain with their child(ren) the entire evening.