

# CCMS Update

08/30/19



September is Attendance Awareness month! We're ready to kick this off with a barrel of fun! We encourage excellent attendance because that will, in turn, help our students to have a better education. The students with perfect attendance will be put into weekly and monthly drawings for great prizes.

Everyone who comes to school on September 17, **High Attendance Day**, will be able to participate in taping our administrators to the wall during lunch. This will be a sight to see!

All students who have perfect attendance from September 3 through September 17th will get to eat lunch outside with a DJ to liven up their lunch.

If we have 100% in attendance on this day, the state will give us money for our school to do more fun things with our students. So, parents and guardians, please emphasize how important it is to your student's education to not miss school.

Make September memorable by striving for perfect attendance!

*Let's make it a great school year!*



CAMPBELL COUNTY  
**CAMELS**



Over the summer, CCMS partnered with the Campbell County Public Library for our summer reading program. Our goal was to achieve 50,000 minutes logged reading. We not only met our goal, but we exceeded it!

Way to go, Camels!

# CAMEL SPIRIT

## SPORTS & ACTIVITY NEWS:



The **Youth Leadership Development** after-school program is designed to help those students who may want to be a part of an extra-curricular activity, but are not interested in sports. The group will meet every Tuesday and Thursday throughout the school year from daily dismissal time until 5:30pm. Space is limited for this fun activity, so be sure to sign up soon! Forms will be in the main office.

YLD will also be having "**Welcome Night**" for the parents/guardians to attend on September 24th from 4:30-5:30. Light snacks will be provided.



Campbell County Public Library is partnering with CCMS to host **Relatives Raising Relatives** class at the Cold Spring branch. It's a monthly gathering from 11:30AM-1PM, beginning on September 20th. Future dates are scheduled for: October 18, Nov. 22, Jan 17, Feb 21, Mar 20, Apr 17, and May 22.

## TRANSPORTATION CHANGES:

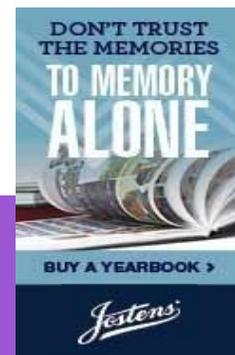


If your student needs to change his/her afternoon transportation, ***please send a note***. Students should turn in notes to the table in the lobby first thing each morning. At that time, the transportation change pass will be immediately issued to the student. If he/she is going home with another student on a bus, please include the ***name, address and bus number of the other student***, as well as ***your contact information***. If he/she is going home with another student as a car rider or walker, please include the name of the other student and your contact information. If the note is forgotten, please send an e-mail to [ccmsoffice@campbell.kyschools.us](mailto:ccmsoffice@campbell.kyschools.us) by **12 noon**.

## YEARBOOKS:

These days, it's important you get the most value for every dollar you spend. When you buy your child a yearbook, you are buying a product that will be treasured today and for years to come. Buy this invaluable keepsake online. Order now, so your son/daughter won't miss out when the yearbook is distributed at the end of the school year. Get your money's worth while securing your child's memories – buy a yearbook today!

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September is attendance awareness month!



**9th:** Girls on the Run begins

**12th:** Parent/Teacher conferences; info to come

**13th:** 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance; info to come

**17th:** Youth Leadership Development program begins

**19th:** YSC Advisory Council meeting 2:45-4:15PM

**20th:** Relatives Raising Relatives meeting; food and prizes!



## Campbell County Middle School

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## Pay Attention to Attendance: Keep Your Child On Track in Middle and High School

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success starting in kindergarten and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation.
- Absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with school work, dealing with a bully or facing some other potentially serious difficulty.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9th grade, regular and high attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores.
- Missing 10 percent, or about 18 days, of the school year can drastically affect a student's academic success.
- Students can be chronically absent even if they only miss a day or two every few weeks.
- Attendance is an important life skill that will help your child graduate from college and keep a job.

### **WHAT YOU CAN DO:**

#### *Make school attendance a priority*

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day, make that the expectation.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day.
- Don't let your child stay home unless truly sick. Complaints of headaches or stomach aches may be signs of anxiety.

#### *Help your teen stay engaged*

- Find out if your child feels engaged by his classes and feels safe from bullies and other threats. Make sure he/she is not missing class because of behavioral issues and school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, work with your school.
- Stay on top of academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors if necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.
- Encourage meaningful afterschool activities, including sports and clubs.

#### *Communicate with the school*

- Know the school's attendance policy - incentives and penalties
- Talk to teachers if you notice sudden changes in behavior. These could be tied to something going on at school.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not piling up.
- Ask for help from school officials, afterschool programs, other parents or community agencies if you're having trouble getting your child to school.