The School Year Has Begun~

Dear Carter Middle School Parents,

I have had a little time to reflect on the beginning of this most unusual school year. I thought about all the difficulties we have encountered, and I then began to think about all of the kind words we have received from parents and community members. In this situation, I expected people to be frustrated, and in some cases possibly angry. I have experienced just the opposite. Parents and students have taken these unusual times and made the most of the situation. The spirit in which families have taken on this challenge has been quite inspiring. In light of taking on this challenge, our teachers adopted this slogan: “20-21, Challenge Accepted!” I think the slogan is indicative of the Carter Community and its willingness to do whatever necessary to help our children!

Virtual School

Our virtual school students are beginning to settle into a routine. Please know that schedules are still being adjusted. This was a huge undertaking and the people at the virtual school have done a wonderful job of supplementing what we could not offer at the base school level. Thank you to all the parents who have been so patient and understanding during this time.

Covid-19 Precautions

Just to give parents peace of mind. We have adopted several new procedures this year in order to minimize the possibility of the spread of germs and viruses. We practice social distancing, wear face masks, have hand sanitizer readily available, and have revamped the manner in which we do arrival, lunch and dismissal. As the year progresses, we plan to look at all of our procedures to see where we can improve.

School Fees

We would ask that parents pay school fees of $35.00 by the end of September. With limited ability to conduct fundraisers, it is more important than ever to pay school fees. These fees pay for Chromebook replacement parts, programs such as IXL and other programs which help our ability to service our students virtually. School fees may be paid on line, by going to our website.

Coupon Books

Coupon Books will be available September 24th. They may be purchased on line. We will have some incentives for students who sell as in years past. More information will be forthcoming.

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

~Nelson Mandela
STANLEY’S SECTION~

Hello Carter Middle School Students and Parents,

A new year begins. How exciting is that. I want to extend a heartfelt welcome to you as we begin the 2020-2021 school year. I am enthusiastically anticipating this new school year and working with your child. I hope that you and your child will have a successful school year. As your 7th grade administrator, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. This is going to be a great school year.

Jennifer Stanley
Assistant Principal
7th Grade

"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.”
~Coach Wooden

RAMSEY’S REVIEW~

Hello Hornet Fans,

I’m so excited to finally start the school year. We have missed our students and we can’t wait to see them. The 8th grade year is fun, exciting and packed with opportunities for students to experience many things. Although this year is going to be a little different I am certain we will make it through. As we work our way through the school year I want to encourage you to be involved in your child’s education. The impact an involved parent makes is invaluable. Thank you once again for allowing me to serve as your assistant principal and for making CMS the best middle school in Knox County!!!!!!

GO HORNETS!!!!

Joey Ramsey
8th Grade Assistant Principal
CAFÉ CORNER~

We are excited for this new school year and we are ready to start feeding our Carter Hornets!

Welcome back we hope everyone had a great long summer. We are excited to be back and ready to feed each student a healthy meal. We do have a few changes, but your lunch ladies are ready to get started.

One is lunch in the lunchroom. The lunches will be boxed up for an easy pick up. There will be one hot and two cold entrées from which they choose, along with hot vegetables, milk and some fruit.

The second change is the virtual meal. The meal request form must be filled out. To access the form go to www.knoxschools.org/mealsrequest. A form must be submitted in order to pick up a meal. Pick up on Monday and Wednesday. Monday will include 2 breakfasts and 2 lunches. Wednesday will include 3 breakfast and 3 lunches. Students do not have to be present to pick up meals. The pick-up person will need to provide the name of the student they are picking up for. The pick-up place will be in the back where the gym is. You can end the pick up at any time you will need to email virtualmeals@knoxschools.org

Here are more websites to help you with some question you may have. If you cannot find your answers you can email virtualmeals@knoxschools.org

To look at the menu go to www.knoxschools.org/Page/8691

Put money on to student account: www.k12paymentcenter.com

This is all new so please bear with up as we get this year started. We are going to make lunch as easy and as distant as possible to keep everyone safe.

If you have any questions just give me at the school 933-3426

Thank you,

Tina Golden
Cafeteria Manager
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