



# Craig Elementary & Middle School

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## School Board Report April 2021

K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
15	12	14	12	20	13	14	25	22	147

~ K-5 @ 86 students & 6-8 @ 61 students ~

### Appreciations

- Thank you to Mrs. Kellie Ebbighausen and Mrs. Sandra Marker for their assistance with third quarter report cards. CEMS report cards were printed and mailed by Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Thank you to our CMS Athletic Director, Mr. Chuck Hanson, as well as all of our coaches, volunteers, and fans for their continued support of our middle school athletic programs this school year. CMS Basketball began the week of April 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Thank you to Mrs. Karen Packer, Mrs. Kellie Ebbighausen, and Mrs. Sandra Marker for their assistance with compiling our third quarter student honor awards and recognitions. The CEMS Virtual Honors Assemblies were held on Friday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Thank you to our CCSD Testing Coordinator, Ms. Melissa Peavey, for her coordination efforts of the Performance Evaluation for Alaska Schools (PEAKS) Assessments for CCSD. The CES completed testing the week of April 12<sup>th</sup>, whereas the CMS is scheduled to complete testing the week of May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Thank you to Mrs. Stacia Schwanke, Mrs. Christy House, and Ms. Grace Beckman for their collaborative efforts in planning our CES Student Reading Incentive Project titled, "Dive Into Reading."

### Elementary & Middle School Updates

- April 2<sup>nd</sup> – CEMS Quarter 3 Report Cards Finalized
- April 5<sup>th</sup> – CMS Basketball Began
- April 9<sup>th</sup> – CEMS Virtual Quarter 3 Honors Assemblies
- April 13-15<sup>th</sup> – CES Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> PEAKS Testing
- April 20<sup>th</sup> – CMS Basketball Game @ Craig/CHS (vs. Kassan)
- April 22-23<sup>rd</sup> – CCSD In-service Days (No School)
- April 26<sup>th</sup> – CES Reading Incentive Project Begins (through May 17<sup>th</sup>)
- April 26-30<sup>th</sup> – CES Sea Week Opportunity for Elementary Classes
- April 27<sup>th</sup> – CMS Basketball Game @ Craig/CHS (vs. Hydaburg)
- April 30<sup>th</sup> – CES Healthy Futures Challenge Ends

### CMS Quarterly Electives & Student Recognitions

- As CMS elective classes are quarter based, the start of Quarter 4 brought our students choices for their new elective class. First hour elective offerings include: Horticulture, 3D Arts & Crafts, Music, SEALS, & Study Hall.
- Please join the CMS in recognizing the following Students of the Quarter for Third Quarter : Tanner Smith (8<sup>th</sup> grade) and Lincoln Bergtold (6<sup>th</sup> grade).

## **CEMS PEAKS State Assessments**

- As originally scheduled, CES students in grades 3-5 participated in PEAKS Testing on Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> (ELA), Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> (MA), and Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> (SCI/5<sup>th</sup> only).
- Technology issues were experienced the first day of testing in the elementary school. Upon logging onto the assessment, students received an “error” message. Our Network Technician, Mr. Jared Grieve, was able to resolve the issue; hence, testing was only delayed on Tuesday (4/13). Thankfully, testing went much smoother the days following (Wednesday & Thursday) and we were able to stay on schedule as planned.
- CMS students in grades 6-8 will participate in PEAKS Testing on Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> (ELA), Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> (MA), and Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> (SCI/8<sup>th</sup> only).

## **CES Reading Incentive Project**

- With the help of the Supporting Alaska Improving Literary (SAIL) Grant, the CES is hosting a Reading Incentive and Book Distribution Opportunity for our elementary students titled, “Dive Into Reading.”
- The CES will hold the reading incentive project for a total of three (3) weeks from Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> through Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Students in Grades K-2 are encouraged to read 60-minutes a week, whereas students in Grades 3-5<sup>th</sup> are encouraged to read 80-minutes a week. Parents/guardians will record their child(ren)’s reading time on their weekly reading log. When students meet their weekly reading goal, they will earn awesome incentives thanks to funds from the SAIL Grant. Please see the reading incentive flyer copied and pasted at the end of my Board Report for incentive details.
- Once again, I would like to thank our CES Reading Incentive Committee, Mrs. Stacia Schwanke, Mrs. Christy House, and Ms. Grace Beckman for their collaborative efforts to encourage our students to “Dive Into Reading!”

## **CES Sea Weeks**

- The weeks of April 26 (4/26 - 4/30/21) and May 24<sup>th</sup> (5/24 - 5/28/21) have the best days for low tides; therefore, CES Sea Week activities will be planned during these two (2) weeks.
- Teachers will begin their CES Sea Week activities a review of beach etiquette in individual classrooms. Ms. Melissa Peavey will be available to support teachers as they cover beach etiquette with their students. In addition, CES Teachers will follow CCSD’s Smart Start to School Guidelines and will mitigate CES Sea Week activities accordingly.
- In addition, please make note of the following areas of grade level focus:
  - Kin: Focus on Ocean Overview
  - 1st: Focus on Intertidal Animals
  - 2nd: Focus on Univalves/Bivalves & Mollusks
  - 3rd: Focus on Tidal Zones
  - 4th: Focus on Birds
  - 5th: Focus on Marine Animals
- As always, individual teachers will communicate their plans to their students and parents/guardians as well as to the office and/or kitchen if they plan on being out during breakfast or lunch. In addition, individual teachers will let support and specials teachers know if their class will be out during a support time or specials class.
- Thank you in advance for your support of our instructional efforts to promote local knowledge as well as to educate and connect our students to the ocean, its habitats, characteristics, and inhabitants.

## **CMS Athletics**

- CMS Basketball began the week of April 5<sup>th</sup>. Miss Vanessa James is coaching the CMS Girls' Team once again and Mr. Cody Williams is coaching the CMS Boys' Team.
- CMS Basketball practices and games/events will adhere to ASAA COVID-19 Practice & Event Guidelines and all games/events will be mitigated accordingly. In addition, CMS Basketball will not travel off island this year.
- The first mitigated CMS Basketball Game (vs. Kassan) took place at 6pm on Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at the CHS Gym. CMS Basketball will have two (2) more games at home (both taking place at CHS) and is also scheduled to play at Thorne Bay (vs Kassan), Hydaburg, & Klawock this season.
- I would like to take a moment once again to thank Mr. Chuck Hanson and Mr. Troy Thain for all the time they have dedicated to mitigating our athletic programs. Both Mr. Hanson and Mr. Thain recognize the importance of doing what we can, as safely as we can, in an effort to support the mental, emotional, and social health of our students during these trying times.

## **Volunteers...a BIG thanks! 😊**

**CMS Virtual Science Fair Judges:** Courtney Wood, Bill Seibel, Karen Packer, Howie Daggs, Christy House, Stacia Swchanke, Craig Schwanke, Jeff Lundberg, Jessica Hughes, Sam Bass, Pam Penrose



# Dive Into Reading!



**Let's read for some great prizes!!!**  
Craig Elementary School is presenting our reading incentive project for the end of the school year.

Reading begins April 26th and ends May 17th

Week 1: April 26-May 3

Week 2: May 3-10

Week 3: May 10-17

Submit completed reading logs on the Mondays of May 3rd, May 10th, and May 17th.

**K - 2nd** student requirements are to read for at least 15 minutes 4 times a week, or a minimum of 60 minutes total to earn the weekly prize.

**3rd - 5th** grade student requirements are to read for a minimum of 20 minutes 4 times a week, or 80 minutes total to earn the weekly prize.

Please record and initial all minutes on reading logs.

## **Totally Awesome Prizes!!!**

Week 1- Surprise bag plus a book

Week 2 - One day pass for the pool plus a book

Week 3 - \$5 Annie Betty's Gift Card

**\*\*\*Top 3 readers in each class receives a 10 visit punch pass to the pool\*\*\***