COLORADO MIDDLE SCHOOL

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"Courtesy, Kindness, and Respect Goes a Long Way"

Highlights

April 9, 2012

STAAR Testing

Enrollment

6th 76

 7^{th} 75

8th 89

Total 240

Eighth grade students took the 8th grade STAAR Test on March 27. They then took the reading portion of the test on March 28. Seventh graders took the writing test on March 27 and 28. This is the first time that the writing test took two days to complete. Students also for the first time were required to finish the test within four hours. Students began testing at 8:30 AM and finished by 12:30. Sixth and seventh graders will take the math portion of the test on April 24 and reading on April 25. Eighth graders will be taking the science on April 26 and social studies on April 27. Benchmarks for science and social studies were given on April 3rd and April 4th.

Speaker - Jon Randles

On April 11, at 2:00 PM, in the Colorado Middle School cafeteria Jon Randles will speak to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Mr. Randles speaks to students across the nation. He has worked with both collegian and professional athletes. Mr. Randles speaks to students on a variety of topics including:

- 1. Staying in School
- 2. Improving Bodies and Minds
- 3. Refusing to Use Drugs
- 4. Abstinence
- 5. Bullying
- 6. Goal-setting

We are inviting parents and community members to attend this motivational program. A special thanks goes out to Paul Smith at Calvary Baptist Church for sponsoring this program.

Track

Colorado ISD hosted three middle school track meets this year on March 1, 22, and 30. Boys and girls from the 7th and 8th grades competed at each event. A special thanks goes out to all the volunteers at each of these meets. Colorado Middle School's track teams will compete in Big Spring on April 5. The District Tract meet will be held in Forsan on Monday, April 16. An early release day for the entire district will begin at 12:30 PM.

National History Day Contest

Students who qualified for the state contest in NHD will be traveling to Austin on May 4. The competition will be held on May 5, from 8:30 AM until 7:30 PM. This year's event will take place at the Bob Bullock Museum. Ten students from CMS have submitted projects.

Website Training

Three CMS staff members will receive training on the campus' new website on Monday, April 9. Teachers that will receive the training are Tammy Johnson, Beverly Adams, and Chaz Branch.

Upcoming Events

Survivor Day - May 8 Run for the Wall - May 19 Health and Fitness Fair – May 24