

**Directors' Report**  
 CCS Board of Education Meeting, April 10, 2023

The marketing consultant is in the final stages of preparing our new website. If all goes as planned, the new site and logos will be launched in April!

We had a very thorough and productive budget “retreat” where we adjusted our final 22-23 budget and worked on preparing our budget for next year. Our goal is to get to our capacity of 500 students between online and seat-based next year - we think this is achievable!

All staff received the application for the Strategic Planning Team, which is due by Friday, April 21.

**Online Program**

MCA testing for online students is going well, many thanks to Cheryl Cole, Mitch Swaggert, Jen Muller, Gena Jacobson, and Rebecca Smith for organizing and proctoring. Our April 5 test date needs to be rescheduled due to the e-learning day.

Graduation is confirmed for Friday, June 2 at 2 PM, we would greatly appreciate board member attendance at the ceremony!

Enrollment for grades 6-12 is full and the waitlist applies. A new marketing campaign focused on K-5 enrollment will begin on social media in April or May - as soon as the new website launches. We are targeting our marketing campaign to families who homeschool, as they could use our curriculum as homeschoolers (and pay tuition) or maybe would just like their child to attend our school and learn from home.

Current total online enrollment: Serving a total of **316** students as of 4/5/23

<b>GRADE LEVEL</b>	<b>CAPACITY FORMULA</b>	<b>CURRENT STATUS</b>
Online K-5	Max of 19 students per class: 38	K-2: 10 students, 3-5: 8 students (18) Open to 20 more students
Online 6-12	$(C-E)/6=S$  <i>C=Teacher Capacity*</i> <i>E=Current Enrollments</i> <i>S=Number of Students to admit</i>	$1563-1558/6 = .8$  Over capacity, waitlist applies.

Online Staff PD planned for May is with Gender Inclusive Schools.

Online summer school is planned for June, as in past years this will focus on core credit recovery for high school and math credit recovery for middle school. Details will be sent to families in the next couple of weeks.

Online administrative evaluations of teaching/learning coach staff will be taking place during April and May. These evaluations are completed every three years (1/3 of staff is reviewed each year).

**Seat Based Program:**

Second trimester reports cards were issued early March. The students are making remarkable progress!! Teachers are working hard as well. We have completed our peer observations as part of the Q-comp process and I have done many formal and informal evaluations.

St. Patrick's Day festivities - CCS sponsored a "castle" - a bathroom station with our name on it; Family Fun event, participants to walk the parade route, and sales of food and concessions. The very involved and dedicated PTO has been very busy with fundraising and providing funds for various events. They are busy! We appreciate them very much!

Cell phone update - the new cell phone policy has been going very well. The students initially had resistance, but now are interacting and having a decent time together.

The University of Minnesota Raptor Center visited in March. This is always a popular event at the seat-based school.

Crosslake Community School was awarded a Farm to School grant and an equipment grant. Sprout is one of their sources of local foods grown in Minnesota. They also purchase food from local orchards and farmers. Their liaison from Sprout attended their Wellness Committee Meeting and is proud of the diverse committee they have. Students, staff, parents, Phy Ed, and other members by virtual presence attended this meeting with the lead of Food Service director Kathy Faust. This progressive school asked their students what they like, what they might want to try (or not) in their nutrition program. (Cheese curds may be forthcoming)! Kathy will be sending a google survey to the students for further feedback. Pretzels with cheese sauce were asked for as part of the menu, (it could be incorporated with sourcing local flour and local cheese, and a pretzel twisting class as a foods project! This sustainable school shares its food waste with a pig farmer, has an aquaponic/hydroponic growing system, and a School Forest program! Not only will they utilize the Robot Coupe processor they purchased from the equipment grant program in the kitchen, they will have an interactive Salsa making project this year!

Cherry tomatoes grown in our solarium were served at lunch. There were not many but they sure were good.

Summer School budgets, curriculum, staffing and other information are being formulated. We do know that this will be happening on Tuesday and Thursday in June and August.

Tis the season for drills! We did some in the fall and we will do more in the next few weeks. We will continue to perfect the intruder drills - honestly things change quickly. I am so appreciative of the parents, community and law enforcement support. I am attending a training on Monday, 4-10-23, offered to police departments and educators.

We continue to offer free Covid tests.

Middle school marketing has begun as we look for ways to retain and attract kids as they get older.

Level 1 High Reliability School (HRS) certification done and celebrated. We will use those strategies and indicators as much as possible. We are well on our way for level 2 certification as many factors are in place for this. The focus is highly effective teaching.

Students currently enrolled at CCS do not have to do anything regarding the 23-24 school year. If there are siblings that want to enroll, they need to fill out the paperwork asap. We are filling up quickly! All enrollment paperwork is available on our website.

Spring break was from March 20-24. Students had an extra day on March 27 as this was a teacher inservice day.

We are in the testing season. We are working hard to accommodate needs and also accommodate timing of the tests to

make things the least stressful for the students.

Puzzle Derby - Thursday, April 13, 2023. Details have been sent home. Plan on this fun family night!

CCS is looking for pigs that need some extra food. Looking for someone to pick up 2-5 gallon buckets of food waste Monday-Friday during the school years.

Our archery team has finished their season. Thanks to Mr. Swanson. The mountain biking club is hoping to begin their season very soon. Mr. Newton and crew are trying to wait patiently.