



ParentSquare

September 16, 2025



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QUICK OVERVIEW

- Inclusive
- Translation
- Secure Conversation
- Easy to Use
- Efficiency
- Reports and Analytics

ONE UNIFIED COMMUNICATION PLATFORM

Built for Connection, Enhanced by AI

ParentSquare is a unified communication platform designed to consolidate all parent and guardian communications from the district, schools, classrooms, and activity groups into one easy-to-use system. This will streamline our communication efforts and ensure consistency across the district.

Available Features Include:

Mass Notifications



Smart & Urgent Alerts

Quickly send by email, SMS, voice and app



Personalized Auto Notices

Including lunch balances



Secure Document Delivery

Save paper, maintain privacy



Social Media & Website Share

Share on Twitter/Facebook/Website



Attendance Notifications

Day/period absences with excuse notes



Posts & Newsletters

Media-rich posts, templates

Classroom Comms



Direct Messaging

Connect with specific students/parents



Posts & Newsletters

Include pictures, files and videos



StudentSquare (Student App)

Increase student responsiveness



Appointments

Including parent-teacher conferences



Volunteering & Sign Ups

Increase family support, track volunteer hours



Directory

Search by name, email, phone, child

School Services



Forms & Permission Slips

Save time and paper



Calendar & Event RSVPs

Increase attendance



Electronic Signatures

Collect parent signatures securely online



Invoices & Payments

Fundraise, accept secure online payments



Polls & Surveys

Get feedback fast from families



Community Groups

Extend to alumni, community members and others

School Websites



Easy-to-Use Interface

Create or manage even from a mobile phone



Unified Website & Communications

Publish once, deliver to all targeted channels



Beautiful, Templated Designs

Showcase and maintain your unique brand



Powerful User Permissions

Manage in one place by role or individually



Content Migration & Design

Launch your new site with full support



ADA Compliance

Establish and maintain accessibility for all



Search Engine Optimization

Make sure your community finds you first



No Hidden Limits or Fees

Unlimited admins, content storage, calendars, etc.

BENEFITS OF PARENTSQUARE

- **ONE** unified communication platform. If you have a child at Talala Elementary and CM High School, parents can view communications for both schools in the ParentSquare app.
- Provides 150+ different language translations for our parents and guardians instantly.
- Facilitates better student and parent engagement.
- Provides quick data and reports on communication reach.
- Allows administrators and staff to schedule posts and alerts in advance or send immediately.
- Fosters two-way communication conversations with parents that is recorded (Phase 2).



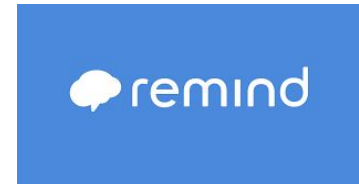
STAFF TRAINING

- **August 22**
 - Administrators Virtual Training
- **September 17**
 - Administrators will participate in an additional training session.
- **September 18**
 - Secretary/Office Staff Training
- **February 13**
 - Certified staff training as part of our Phase 2 second phase rollout.
- Resource information is currently available on the Staff U-Net.



CONTRACTS AND VENDORS

- The district's contract with our former communication system, SchoolMessenger ended in June 2025, resulting in no overlapping vendor payments.
- The district will consolidate other services such as ClassDojo, Remind, PeachJar, and incorporate those into ParentSquare.
- ParentSquare will become our all-in-one communication hub.
- ParentSquare is user-friendly and easy-to-use. We have multiple resources for parents on the website and staff resources on the Staff U-Net.



ClassDojo

ROLL OUT – PHASE 1

September 22, 2025

ParentSquare will **ONLY** be used for:

- Alerts, notifications and posts (phone calls, emails, texts, and alerts on the app to parents and/or staff).
- Attendance Calls
- Bus route alerts and notifications.
- District calendars and contact information.
- All communications will be translated into the registered language of the parent/guardian except for attachments and images.
- Rollout plan for parents and staff will begin on September 22, 2025.

ROLL OUT – PHASE 1 COMMUNICATION PLAN

September 22, 2025

EXTERNAL

- Community Newsletter – August 2025
- Website Content (Information for Parents) – August 2025
- Post/email welcome to parents – September 2025
- News section on websites – September 2025
- Social media posts – September 2025
- “Connecting Families, Building Communities” – October 2025

INTERNAL

- Principal Training – August 2025
- Staff Intranet Info. – August 2025
- Secretary Training – September 2025
- Internal Announcement via Staff Email and Intranet – September 2025

ROLL OUT – PHASE 2


February 13, 2025

ParentSquare will **ONLY** be used for:

- All Phase 1 communications.
- Teachers sending messages directly to their class.
- Direct messaging with parents/guardians.









PARENT RESOURCES AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE



Crete-Monee School District 201-U

Unity Starts With "U"


690 W. Exchange Street, Crete, IL 60417
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PARENTSQUARE

Crete-Monee School District 201-U / Parents / ParentSquare



ParentSquare

Crete-Monee School District 201-U uses ParentSquare for school communication, primarily with email, text and app notifications. ParentSquare automatically generates an account for each parent, using their preferred email address and phone number. We encourage parents to access their accounts so they can download the mobile app and update their preferences on when and how they are notified.

Here's what you can do with ParentSquare:

- Receive messages from the school via email, text, or app notification
- Choose to receive information as it comes or all at once at 6 pm daily
- Communicate in your preferred language
- Comment on school postings to engage in your school community
- Direct message teachers, staff, and other parents
- Participate in group messages
- Sign up for parent-teacher conferences with smart online technology
- Send payments, sign forms & permission slips, receive report cards, sign up to volunteer, and more, all from your phone or web portal

We encourage parents or guardians to download the ParentSquare app today:

- [Apple Store](#)
- [Google Play](#)

Resources Available:

- [FAQ for Families \(English\)](#)
- [FAQ for Families \(Spanish\)](#)

Bilingual Parent Advisory Committee (BPAC)

Bullying Policy

ClassLink Dashboard

Early Dismissal Times

Emergency Closings

Family Access

Handbooks

ParentSquare

Parents & Students Rights

Pay Fees Online

PAPER Tutoring Services

Parent University

SchoolHouse Counseling

Student Accident Claim Forms

Tech Respect

Google Chrome

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