

A teal spiral-bound notebook is the central focus. A light blue sticky note with a scalloped edge is attached to the front cover. The text 'Welcome to CMS' is written on the sticky note in a dark blue, rounded font. Below the sticky note, the hashtag '#teamCMS' is printed in white. The notebook is surrounded by other stationery items: a white lined page with three binder holes is visible in the top left; a purple sticky note is partially visible in the bottom left; and an orange sticky note is pinned to a white lined page in the top right.

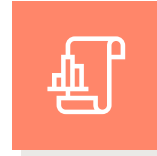
Welcome
to CMS

#teamCMS

Today's Agenda

Parents/
Guardians

Students



Welcome and
Introductions



CMS 101



Reunite and Walk
Student's Schedule

**Ms.
Scaife**
Proud Principal of CMS
Kim_Scaife@hcpss.org



“Make
good
choices!”

**Ms.
Ritchie**
Assistant Principal
Kristy_Ritchie@hcpss.org



“You got this!”

Ms. Prince

6th Grade Counselor
Julie_Prince@hcpss.org



Health Room

Megan Seaman
Megan_Seaman@hcpss.org



Nurse: Megan Seaman
Health Assistant: Adrian McNeil

Health Room Phone: 410-313-5610

When to stay home:

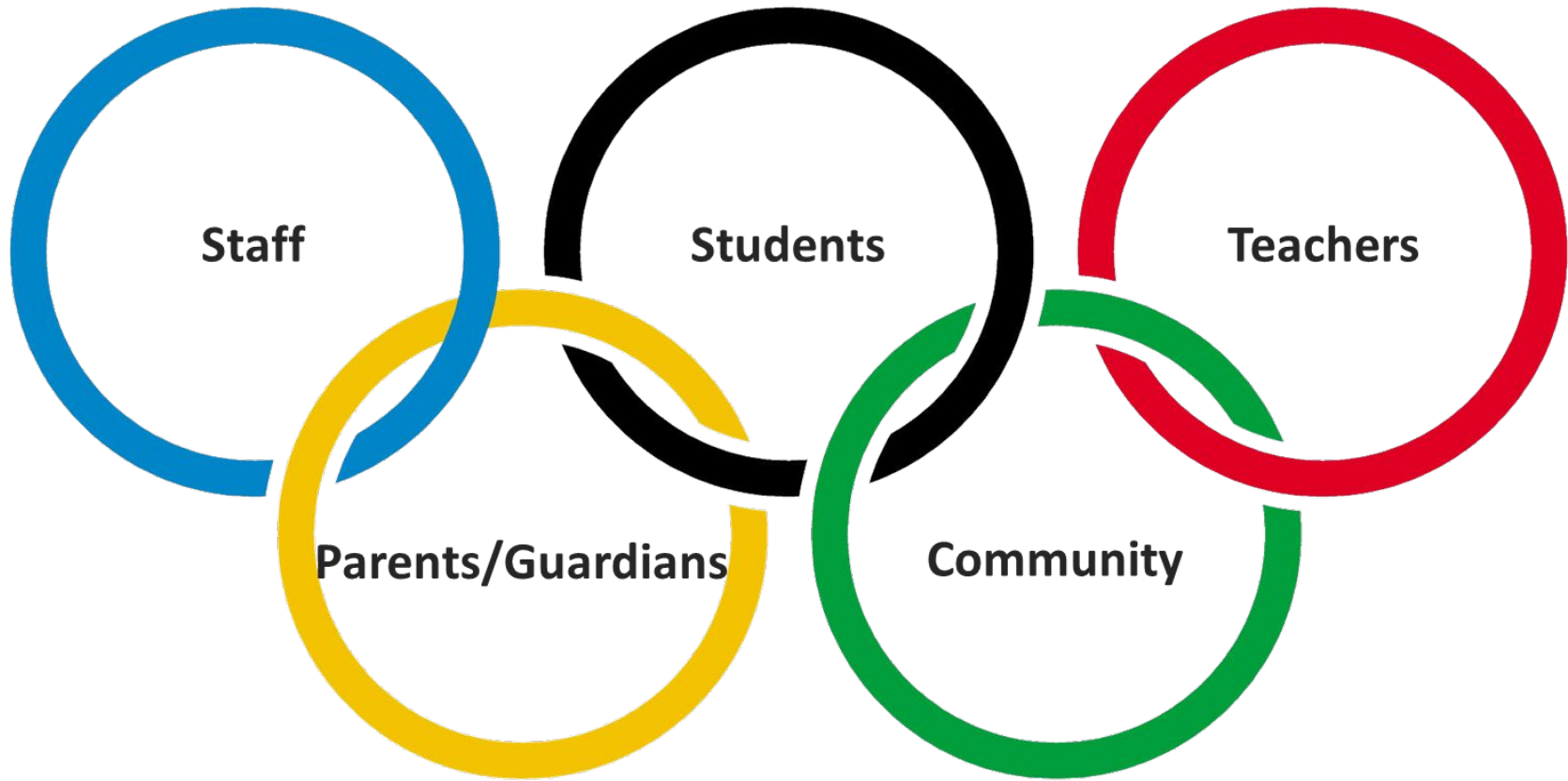
- Fever of 100.0 or above
- Vomiting or Diarrhea
- Difficulty Breathing

Medications:

- All medications including over the counter and supplements must have a medication administration form signed by a physician.
- Parents must bring medications to the health room



Faster, Higher, Stronger – Together



Staff

Students

Teachers

Parents/Guardians

Community



We are
focused
on...

01

Belonging

02

Relationships

03

Focus on the
whole student

04

Academic
Excellence

At CMS, We ORBIT
to success!

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Success!



We Are...
Organized
Respectful
Brave
Inclusive
Trustworthy



How will we
communicate with
families?

01

CMS Orbiter

02

Instagram
cms_comets

03

Website
cms.hcpss.org

Bell Schedule

6TH GRADE	
TIME	PERIOD
7:40-7:47	Student Arrival / Breakfast
7:47	Warning Bell
7:50-7:54	HR (attendance & announcements)
7:54 – 8:44	Period 1
8:47- 9:37	Period 2
9:40 -10:30	Period 3
10:33 –11:03	LUNCH
11:06 -11:56	Period 4
11:59 - 12:49	Period 5
12:52 - 1:42	Period 6
1:45 - 2:35	Period 7

Policy 8080



No Cell Phones



No Earbuds



Students will not use personal technology devices during non-instructional time, to include but not limited to transition between classes, lunch, recess, or in bathrooms.



CMS Progressive Discipline

01

Warning, Student
Conversation

02

Parent/Guardian
Contact, Student
Conversation

03

Incident Referral,
Teacher Assigned
Consequence,
Parent/Guardian
Contact

04

Administrative
Referral



Things to
know
before the
first day
of school.

01

First Period
Class

02

Bus Number
Arrive at bus stop 5 to
10 mins early

03

No lockers the
first week of
school

04

Chromebooks
will be given
out during the
first week of
school



What do
students
need to
bring the
first day
of school?



01

Backpack



02

Pencil/Pen



03

Notebook



04

A positive
attitude

Meals

Breakfast

Can be purchased for \$2.00

Lunch

Can be purchased for \$3.30

Free & Reduced

<https://www.hcpss.org/food-services/farms/>

linqconnect.com

You must register for an account if purchasing lunch at school

Farms



Confidential Info



Must apply every year

<https://www.hcpss.org/food-services/farms/>

Benefits

Free & Reduced Meals
Free registration for SAT/ACT
Reduced Tuition for summer programs, innovative pathways, and Jumpstart



Internet

Discounted Internet through Comcast





Excused Absences

01

Illness/Absent

02

Bereavement

03

Discretionary -
3 days

What to do if my child is absent?

- Email: CMSabsence@hcpss.org or
- A signed parent note or doctor note is required when the student returns.
- Your child should **first** look at Canvas to see what work they've missed before contacting teachers

What if I need to drop something off to my child?

- Drop off on left side of lobby
- Place item in bin labeled by grade
- Sign the sheet with student's name
- Students will be called up once a day to pick up their items at approximately 10:30

Backpacks and Lockers

- Lockers are by request only
- Google form will be sent out through Canvas to students to sign up
- Students can carry their backpacks to and from class and will take them to lunch and recess

Chromebooks

- New to CMS students will receive Chromebooks and chargers by Friday of the first week of classes.
- Responsible use expectations and Chromebook care will be covered in media center orientation.
- Please review the information in the family letter with your child. Students should return the bottom portion of the letter to their ELA teacher during the first week of school.

Chromebooks

County information on responsible student use, technology guidelines, and Chromebook safety and repair costs can be found on the HCPSS website and hcpss.me.

HCPSS LANGUAGES FOR YOU ABOUT SCHOOLS ACADEMICS SUPPORT

Digital Citizenship Pledge
When using digital tools, I pledge to do the following:

- Respect myself and others: civility • integrity • vigilance
- Use the digital tools provided to educate myself and others: collaborate • communicate • create • think critically
- Protect myself and others: privacy • security • copyright
- Follow all guidelines outlined in [Policy 2008, Responsible Use of Technology and Social Media](#)

HCPSS Status
See today's operating status, and related information

School System Calendar
View academic calendar information, school closings and holidays

HCPSS Help
Get answers to questions on the school year, technology/internet access, and other topics

HCPSS Connect
Get help with or connect with your student's courses, get grades, and view assignments

Technology
Read about student devices, online safety, and digital tools used in the classroom

Budget
Gain information about the HCPSS operating budget process, including a schedule and related documents

Howard County Public School System

hcpss.me
Instructional Apps

Canvas Learning Management Synergy Student Information

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G Suite
Collaboration & Productivity

Office 365
Sign in with your HCPSS email address & password

WeVideo
Video Production

MackinVIA
eBooks & Databases

HC Library
eRead Download Loans

PAC
HCPSS Media Center Catalog

Clever
Move Apps

Google Meet
Distance Learning

Adobe Express
Student Tools
Visual Information

Elementary

Typing Agent
Keyboarding Software

Wixie
Publishing & Creativity

Middle & High

Naviance
College and Career Planning

Office 365 Email
Sign in with your HCPSS email address & password

Students & Staff

Change Password

Forgot Password or Username

Guides

Account Self-Service
Forgot Username or Password

Connecting Chromebook to Wi-Fi

Student Technology Resources
Guides and resources on Canvas

HCPSS Technology page

- **Learn More About Devices:** Chromebook care, responsibilities, repair costs
- **Lightspeed:** Information about the Lightspeed Parent Portal
- **Learn More About Providing Consent for Google Services:**
 - If you want your child to be able to use Google Earth, Google Translate, and YouTube outside of what teachers use in class through Canvas. (Elementary school options that you may have chosen have been reset.)
 - You must select it in your HCPSS Connect family portal.

HCPSS provides online easy-to-understand device responsibilities and repair costs, as well as information on caring for Chromebooks, issue support and more.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT DEVICES](#) →

ONLINE SAFETY & EXPECTATIONS

Online Safety

HCPSS continues to invest in information security efforts, upgrade our equipment and ensure that our network is secure, and it is critical that our user groups – which include students, staff and parents/guardians – do their part to maintain a safe virtual learning environment.

Google Meet Expectations

To ensure a positive and productive learning environment during Google Meet online sessions, it is important that students and parents adhere to certain guidelines.

Lightspeed

Parents/guardians may elect to receive Lightspeed weekly emails summarizing their student's HCPSS Chromebook internet usage. There also is an option for the Lightspeed Parent Portal, which provides near real-time information on a student's HCPSS Chromebook internet activity, and offers the ability to pause web browsing and block social media sites when not on the HCPSS network.

Virtual Responsibilities

A successful virtual instruction program requires collaboration and shared responsibilities among students, educators and families to ensure that every student is supported and has the best chance to learn and thrive.

DIGITAL TOOLS

HCPSS uses a number of digital tools to deliver educational programs and services, enhance educational experiences, and educate students about safe and effective online practices. A digital tool is any interactive website, application or software that requires an account with a username and password.

Essential Digital Tools

Essential Digital Tools are digital tools that HCPSS considers necessary to deliver educational programs and operational services that support the goals of the system. These Essential Digital Tools align with HCPSS curriculum standards and are 508 COMAR compliant.

Any digital tool or web application that is embedded in curriculum resources/materials and/or is endorsed/promoted by central office curriculum staff is considered an Essential Digital Tool.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT, AND VIEW THE DIGITAL TOOLS MENU](#) →

Supplemental Digital Tools

Supplementary Digital Tools are digital tools that HCPSS authorizes to be used as supplementary (non-essential) enrichments to students' educational experience

Digital Resources

Online educational resources that do not require an account to use, or are only for teachers' use.

Google Additional Services

Parents/guardians of students in grades 4-12 can provide consent for Google's menu of additional services (Google Translate, YouTube, etc.) on HCPSS-issued Chromebooks by logging in to HCPSS Connect Synergy.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT PROVIDING CONSENT FOR GOOGLE SERVICES](#) →

Additional Technology Info

- The Lightspeed Parent Portal provides near real-time information on a student's HCPSS Chromebook internet activity and offers the ability to pause web browsing when not on the HCPSS network.
- Also new this year, HCPSS has blocked access to social media sites at all schools and most gaming sites at middle and high schools.
- CMS Media Specialist: catherine_mairs@hcpss.org



Assessments

01

MAP

02

MCAP

03

Common Lit.

6th Grade Mashup

- Community building opportunity for ALL 6th grade students
- Purpose is to build bridges between students who are coming from different elementary schools
- Oct. 2nd (all day)
- Parent volunteers needed

Back To School Night

Thursday,
September 5
6:00-7:30 pm
@ CMS

Welcome Back Picnic

Tonight
6:00-8:00 pm
@ CMS

Food Trucks
DJ
Fun, Fun, Fun!

PTA

What do we do?

- We have a budget for each teacher to defray supply costs
- Staff Appreciation & Hospitality
- Organize the book fair
- Coordinate Movie Night
- Organize restaurant nights
- Support School and community events by providing funds and volunteers
- Email a bi-weekly newsletter

How can you be involved in PTA?

Hospitality co-chair: organize 3 breakfast/lunch events for staff

Spirit wear chair: liaise with vendor and advertises sales

WinterFest Chairs: help set up games, organize DJ, food, tickets

Bingo Night Chair: help set up bingo, organize food, tickets

Membership chair: oversee membership website, advertise membership

Reflections chairs: coordinate with committee and run the reflections program at CMS

Year-end picnic Chair: help organize the event: set up games, DJ, approach and finalize food trucks etc.

Vice President: liaise with various committee chairs, chair a committee, work with president

PTA Events & Important Dates

*Subject to change



September	FIRST PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Sept.11 Restaurant Night: TBA
October	PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Oct. 9 Movie Night: TBA
November	PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Nov.13
December	PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Dec.11 Bingo night: TBA
January	PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Jan.8
February	Winter Fest: Friday, Feb. 21 Book fair: TBA PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Feb.12
March	Restaurant Night: TBA PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Mar.12 Movie Night: TBA0
April	PTA Meeting: Wednesday, Apr. 9
May	PTA Meeting: Wednesday, May 14 End of the Year Picnic: TBA
June	LAST PTA Meeting: Wednesday, June 4

How can you become a PTA member?

- MemberHub-Clarksville MS PTSA
- Single Membership Cost-\$10.00
- Family membership-\$20.00
- Request donation at Bronze, Silver, & Gold



CMS Spirit Wear

Consider purchasing
spirit wear - some of
the funds come back
to the CMS PTA



Scan to order!

PTA[®]

everychild.one voice.[®]

PTA Contact Information

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Recording Secretary: **Christine
Tupino**

Email:

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Questions?



Reunite with your child



- Meet your child is in their 1st period class
- Maps are posted in the hallways
- You are welcome to walk through building and find classes
- Scheduling questions-Use QR code on left