

# CORNWALL CONNECTION

## March 2021



### Dates of Importance

**Mar. 2 Book BINGO**

**Mar. 4 PTO Meeting, 6:00 PM (Virtual)**

**Mar. 12 Falcon Friday**

**Mar. 15 School Board Mtg.**

**Mar. 15 Falcon Foundation Grant & Award Applications due**

**Mar. 24 Kindergarten Registration (Virtual)**

**Mar. 25 Kindergarten Registration (Virtual)**

**Mar. 31 SCHOOL IN SESSION (3<sup>rd</sup> Make-Up day)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period Ends**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we enter the month of March and move toward the month of April, PSSA testing is approaching. This time can become daunting and cumbersome to think about and prepare for PSSA testing, especially this year. PSSA testing has value by giving us a snap shot view of your child's, all student's and Cornwall's proficiency within the subjects of math, science, reading and writing. This snap shot view provides information to help us as educators assess our curriculum, teaching methodology and our instructional tools. However, the PSSA's are exactly that – a snap shot view. PSSA testing does not encompass the complexity of every student, their desires, needs and interests. Each student is different which brings diversity to every classroom and makes school, especially Cornwall, an amazing place to learn, grow and mature. In turn, our goal is to instill a love of learning in every student so they can set and achieve their own personal goals in life, fulfilling the mission of Cornwall-Lebanon School District – *empowering students to reach their fullest potential*. As we carefully educate and prepare each student we ask you to review the following considerations in preparation for the PSSA tests:

- ☐ English Language Arts (grades 3-5) April 20, 21 and 22, 2021
- ☐ Mathematics (grades 3-5) April 26 and 27, 2021
- ☐ Science (grade 4 only) April 29 and 30, 2021

- Make sure your child is at school each day on time. Testing begins promptly at 9:10 AM.
- Help your child select a nutritious breakfast on the morning before school.
- Remind your child that plenty of rest will help them.
- Stay positive with your child to help reduce any test anxiety.
- Celebrate accomplishments and encourage children in times of distress.
- Preview the PSSA homepage at
  - o <https://www.education.pa.gov/K-12/Assessment%20and%20Accountability/PSSA/Pages/default.aspx>



**As of Friday afternoon Cornwall raised**

**\$11,798.00**

**However.....**

**At press time on Monday afternoon the actual amount raised was:**

**\$11,862.68**

By the time students leave our doors, we are confident that PSSA testing will be just a small aspect of the quality of education and love of learning they experienced here at Cornwall Elementary. Education takes time and is accomplished over the span of our lifetime. As most adults are finished with school, we, however, recognize we will always be learners and that learning is a never ending and a fulfilling aspect of life. It is our hope that we can instill these ideals in every student every day at Cornwall. Thank you for taking time to review our monthly newsletter and it is our blessing and privilege to be part of your child's life.

Nathanial A. Artz, Principal

*"Where kids come first!"*

# NURSE'S NOTES



Information regarding your elementary child's BMI for the 2020-2021 is now available on the Skyward Parent Portal. Body mass index, or BMI, is a measure of body fat based on height and weight and is used as a screening tool to identify possible weight problems for children. Follow the directions below to access your child's results. If you have questions regarding your child's BMI results, please contact the nurse at 389-1883.

To access your child's BMI information, please follow these steps:

1. Log onto Skyward and navigate to Family Access.
2. On the left menu list click on Health Information.
3. Click on display options.
4. Next, on the tabs, click on Show Physical Exams.
5. Look at the top entry date and then to BMI and BMI Percentile. Make a note of these numbers.
6. Next, on the district web site: [Services>Health Services>Growth Screenings](#)
7. When that page opens, compare your child's BMI numbers to the BMI chart.

## Ideas for Healthy Eating

Making time to sit down as a family to eat a home-cooked meal not only sets a great example for kids. It provides comfort for children to know that the whole family will sit down at dinner together at approximately the same time every day can be very comforting for kids and enhance appetite.

This also provides opportunity to talk and listen to you children without the distraction of electronic devices.

The social interaction of talking to parents/guardian about how they feel can play a vital role in relieving stress and boosting your child's mood and self-esteem. In addition, it gives you chance to identify problems in your child's life and deal with them early.

By eating, together you are leading by example. Demonstrating eating healthy food while keeping your portions in check and limiting junk food, help children identify with healthy dietary intake. Avoid talking about your own weight and calorie counting, so children do not derive a negative association with food.

The Health Room is still in need of clothing and will take any outgrown play clothes that you would like to donate. We are especially in need of sweat pants for boys/girls 4T-6X

Thank you for all the wonderful volunteers that have helping in various ways in the health and wellbeing of Cornwall Elementary.

Sincerely,

Sue Robins RN

# Read Across America

When: The week of March 1st  
Cornwall will be celebrating reading with two special events!



## Book Bingo!

Students will play bingo during the school day and win a new book!



## Book Bracket

Theme: Reading Across America  
Each day students will be voting on their favorite book until we know Cornwall's favorite for 2021.



This year's theme, Reading Across America, celebrates the different regions of the country.

Read Across America is locally organized and funded by the Cornwall Lebanon Education Association.



## Attention Cornwall Girls!

**Girls on the Run** is coming to Cornwall. This spring, we will once again try to organize a **GOTR** team.

Girls on the Run is a program designed to build strong, confident girls. During the spring, you will complete activities that empower you to be your best self, have fun with other girls and build stamina to complete a 5K run.

Because of the pandemic, the spring program is just 8 weeks beginning the week of **March 29<sup>th</sup>** and culminating with 5K run, sometime after **May 17<sup>th</sup>**.

Our team will meet on Tuesday and Thursday from 3:45-5:15, outside in the pavilion.

If you are interested, please reach out to Mrs. Rader. You can find her in room 202 at Cornwall, at [rrader@clsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:rrader@clsd.k12.pa.us), or by phone, 717-279-1601.

Please click [here](#) for a pamphlet that provides more information about the program including sign-up dates and the cost.





## Attention Parents/Guardians of Third Grade Students:

### It's Time to Join the Band!

Enrollment in the Cornwall-Lebanon Elementary Band Program is available to current third grade students. Students who wish to enroll in the band will begin studying their instruments during the *Summer Band Program*! The program takes place from June 10 – July 14. (Mark your calendar!) Daily lessons for current third grade students last for 30 minutes and are typically available between 7:30am and 9:00 am.

Students who wish to join the band may choose from the following instruments: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, or orchestra bells.

Students will receive enrollment information at an assembly in April. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Thompson at [sthompson@clsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:sthompson@clsd.k12.pa.us).

We look forward to seeing your child in the band program this summer!



# Kindergarten Registration



**Entrance (age) Requirements:** For a child to enter kindergarten this fall in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District, she or he must have reached the age of five (5) BEFORE September 1. A child must have reached the age of six (6) BEFORE September 1 to be enrolled in first grade.

This site contains information for your child to be registered for kindergarten in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District. Please take some time to acquaint yourself with the registration process. If, after reading this, you have questions or concerns, please call (717) 272-2031.

Kindergarten registration involves three steps. The first step is to complete an enrollment application online using the link below. When we receive your application, we will send you an email with more information about the next steps in the process. The final step is scheduling an in-person kindergarten registration appointment at the District office.

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## Step 1 – Online Account & Kindergarten Enrollment Application

**If this is your first child to be enrolled** in the school district, please complete this [short web form](#) to create an online Skyward Family Access account. After creating your account, you will receive an automated email asking you to complete the kindergarten enrollment application. Please complete and submit the application to continue the registration process.

**If you have a student currently enrolled** in the school district, please log into your [Skyward Family Access](#) and click the “Online Student Registration” button on the left navigation menu to start the enrollment process.

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## Step 2 – Registration

At registration, you will be meeting in person with school district registration personnel to review enrollment papers. The registration process will take place at the Cornwall-Lebanon School District Office, 105 E. Evergreen Road, Lebanon, PA, 17042. You will receive an email with a link to schedule your appointment.

**Please bring the following to THIS appointment:**

- Your child’s immunization record
- Your child’s birth certificate
- Proof of residency (bring one of the following: Deed, Lease Agreement, Mortgage Statement or Property Tax Statement)

**Additional forms that will be needed to complete your child’s registration:**

- [Physical Exam](#)
- [Dental Exam](#)
- **If applicable:** Custody order, CLSD-approved guardianship form, CLSD-approved shared housing form. **NOTE:** Cornwall-Lebanon School District Guardianship Affidavits and Shared Housing Affidavits, available at the District office, must be submitted and approved **prior to** the start of the school year.

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## Step 3 – Kindergarten Parent Orientation

Parent Orientation will be held virtually for the 2021-2022 school year. Viewing this presentation will allow you to learn about the kindergarten program at Cornwall-Lebanon School District and “meet” some of the staff in your child’s assigned building.

# Weather and Emergency Closings



If during the course of the school term, it is necessary to close school, announcements will be made via the Skylert Emergency Notification System (phone/email messaging) and broadcast over the local radio & TV stations listed below. The decision to close school or open two hours later will be announced before 7 a.m. It also will be posted on the District Home page: [www.clsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.clsd.k12.pa.us) and on our Facebook and Twitter social media accounts. When adverse weather conditions develop during school hours, the stations will be advised and will announce the time of dismissals.

## Radio

WLBR – 1270 AM

WQIC – 100.1 FM

## TV

WGAL – Channel 8 (NBC)

WHTM – Channel 27 (ABC)

WHP Channel 21

WPMT Fox 43



Updates on cancellations and delays will be shared on the district website, CLSD Facebook and Twitter accounts, and the above media outlets. Please do not call the school or district office to ask about cancellations or delays because the telephones may be needed for emergencies. **Parents are urged to devise and discuss a plan of action for young children when no one is home during early dismissals or delays.**

## Modified Kindergarten Schedule

To make the morning and afternoon classes of kindergarten more equitable, in the event of any two-hour delay during inclement weather, the following modified schedule for kindergarten children will be placed in effect:

**AM Kindergarten:** 11:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m. (expected arrival time at home will be one hour later than usual).

**PM Kindergarten:** 1:45 p.m -3:30 p.m. (expected pick up time will be one hour later than usual).

In the event there is a planned early dismissal or an elementary late start, and we have a delayed start because of inclement weather, the early dismissal and late start will be canceled.





# Jump Rope for Heart

Thank you for your support!





# NEWS FROM THE DISTRICT

## Did you know?

- Information about any **School Closings or Delays** will be posted to the District Home page: [www.clsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.clsd.k12.pa.us) and also to the Cornwall-Lebanon School District **Facebook** page and Twitter (@CLSD\_Schools). Be sure to update your weather emergency contact information under the **Skylert** tab on the parent portal and be sure your device permits calls from these phone numbers: (717) 272-2031 and (717) 272-2036.
- **CLSD Calendar of Events:** Please check the District website calendar for updates to events listed in the 2020-2021 CLSD Calendar. Many activities listed in the calendar will have an online option for remote viewing. If available, the link will be posted on the scheduled event date on the website calendar: [www.clsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.clsd.k12.pa.us). Most Home Athletic events are available for viewing via livestream on [CCHStoday.com](http://CCHStoday.com).

## Dates of Importance:

- Cedar Crest High School presents its spring musical, **The Addams Family - Quarantined Concert Version**, March 5 & 6 at 7 PM and March 7 at 2:30 PM. Purchase live stream passes for various viewing options online at [cchsmusical.booktix.com](http://cchsmusical.booktix.com). Use the same link to purchase raffle tickets for the Winner-Takes-All raffle to benefit the CCHS Musical – chance to win more than \$600 in gift cards! Visit the CLSD website or Facebook for more details.
  - **March 4, 6 PM: Senior citizen District residents** can reserve one of 80 available free socially distanced seat tickets to enjoy the dress rehearsal of the **The Addams Family** in person. Reservations are required this year. Call **(717) 272-2036** and follow the instructions to leave a message and reserve your seat. Visit the CLSD website or Facebook for more details.
- **The calendar of key district dates for the 2021-2022 school year** has been approved by the Board of School Directors. Check on the district website <[www.clsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.clsd.k12.pa.us)> under the “Community” tab.
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- **Kindergarten registration for the 2021-2022 school year:** Please visit the CLSD website and click on the Kindergarten image on the Home page to begin the online registration process.
- **March 8: School Board Public Work Session**, CCHS LGI, 5:30 p.m.; Check website for info and a link to view the Livestream meeting or to register to attend in person.
- **March 15: Board of School Directors meeting**, CCHS LGI, 5:30 p.m.; Check website for info and a link to view the Livestream meeting or to register to attend in person.
- **March 15:** Deadline to apply for **Falcon Foundation grants and awards**. Click on the “Falcon Fnd.” Quick link icon on the district web Home page for more info, [www.clsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.clsd.k12.pa.us). For further information, please contact: Arianne Chernich or Tamara Gross, Grants and Awards Committee Co-Chairs: [falconfoundation@clsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:falconfoundation@clsd.k12.pa.us) or (717) 679-5782.
- **March 25, 26 & 27: Cedar Crest Middle School Performing Arts** is presenting two livestream, and two prerecorded tapings of **Shrek the Musical Jr.** They have double cast this show. The Swamp cast will perform via live stream March 25 at 7 pm and the recorded version will show March 27 at 3 pm. The Duloc cast live stream will be shown March 26 at 7 pm and the recorded version available for viewing March 27 at 7 pm. Tickets are available for all shows at: <https://www.showtix4u.com/events/19812>
- **March 31: 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period Ends**
- **March 31: School is In Session** (weather make-up day for the closure on 2-2-2021)