

China Middle School

Regional School Unit No. 18

Belgrade – China - Oakland - Rome – Sidney

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School News:

Parent Teacher Conferences will be on Thursday, March 7 for all students from 3:30 - 7:00 p.m. We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child’s progress. If you have any questions, please call 445-1500.

News from JMG

Thank you to everyone who attended the China Family Fun Day. We hope to see you in 2020 ~ JMG. Please find attached to this email information on our Seigars Strong Pancake Breakfast, held on March 23rd. Also attached is information regarding the sales of Seigars Strong T-Shirts. Thank you.

CLYNK Recycling Challenge

We’re just over five weeks into the #CLYNKforSchools Recycling Challenge with a couple of weeks to go! There has been some strong movement in the last couple of weeks. China Middle School is ranked #31 out of #132 schools participating in this challenge in the state of Maine. \$82.70 has been raised so far. If you would like additional recycling bags and tags, please have your child pick them up from Ms. Lyons. Thank you for your help with this fundraiser challenge!

Just a reminder about the ongoing SchoolStore Fundraiser. Shop online with over 400 major merchants like Walmart, Kohl’s, Best Buy, Disney, and more. We earn a percentage of this purchase. Go to www.schoolstore.net and sign up using our school ID: 150785. Thank you for your support!

News from Nurse Bonnie:

CMS IMMUNIZATION RULE

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Education have revised the Maine School Immunization Requirements that affect incoming 7th graders.

- All students entering, advancing, or transferring into 7th grade will need to receive one dose of Tdap (tetanus, diptheria, and pertussis) vaccine.
- Also, One dose of meningococcal vaccine MCV4 (serogroups A, C, W, and Y) is required for all students entering 7th grade.

We are providing you with this information, now, so that you have ample time to schedule an appointment prior to the start of the 2019/2020 school year.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Newcombe RN, School Nurse, or Ms. Bowden, Principal @ 207-445-1500. You may also contact the Maine Immunization Program at (207) 287-3746 or (800) 867-4775 or by e-mail at ImmunizeME.DHHS@maine.gov

Yearbook News:

Yearbooks can be purchased online or at school until April 11th. Order forms are in office. Price is \$10. Please make checks payable to China Middle School.

<http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A07634466>

Athletic Department:

Thursday, February 28th, Winter Sports Banquet 5:30 to 6:30 CMS

All jerseys need to be turned in to their coach or Mr. Brooks ASAP.

All spring athletes need to complete a participation form in order to tryout. Forms are outside Mr. Brooks' room.

COUNSELING SERVICES

Sweetser Services accepts MaineCare and most other insurance programs. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Samantha Ireland, (Sweetser Counselor) at 207-468-4891, Lois Bowden (Principal) or Meaghan Murphy (Dean of Students) at 445-1500.

China PTO News:

Our next PTO meeting is on Thursday, March 7, at 6pm in the CMS Library. We hope to see you there in person, or join us on FB Live to attend virtually.

- PTO meetings will be the **first Thursday** of the month at 6pm, in the CMS Library, all year.
- Join our new FB Group to stay up to date with PTO events, meetings and volunteer needs. Find us at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/chinaschoolspto/>.
- For those parents who would like to attend the meetings, but are not able to physically be there, we are going to try to go FB Live and allow virtual attendance. Just be aware that due to connectivity issues, virtual attendees may miss some important information during the meetings. We will do the best we can to stay connected!
- We also have a new Remind classroom for parents at the Middle School that use Remind. Find us here: <https://www.remind.com/join/chinasc>

If you have any questions/concerns or suggestions, email us at chinaschoolspto@gmail.com, or contact us through our FB Group.

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Calendar of Events: For a more detailed calendar please see our website.

2/27 - G/T Field trip to Thomas College (snowdate 2/28) 8:30 - 1:30
2/27 - Erskine Academy 8th Grade Open House, 6:30 pm
2/28 - Winter Sports Banquet 5:30 - 6:30 pm
3/1 - Winter Carnival for grades 5 - 8
3/6 - School Board Meeting, Central Office 7:00 pm
3/7 - China PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm
3/7 - P/T Conferences (For all parents) 3:30 - 7:00 pm
3/7 - Cony HS Open House for interested 8th grade students/parents 3:30 to 4 or 6:30 to 7 (Snowdate 3/27)
3/8 - Teacher Inservice - No School
3/13 - 3/19 - 8th Grade Heritage Tour
3/25- 3/29 eMPowerME Assessments (8 - 11 daily)(Please make every effort for your child to attend school during testing.)
3/25 - Drama Dress Rehearsal, 3:00 to 6:00 pm
3/26 - Early Release - 12:00 Dismissal
3/26 & 3/27 - District Budget Workshop @ MMS, 6:00 pm
3/27 - Drama Production for Parents/Community 6:30 pm
3/28, 3/29 & 4/1 - Softball Tryouts
4/1, 4/2 & 4/3 - Baseball Tryouts
4/5-CMS Quarter 3 ends
4/12 - Teacher Comp Day - No School
4/15 - 4/19 - Spring Break - No School
4/22 - 5/13 - MEA Science Assessments window
4/30 - 70th Anniversary Celebration, 3:30-7:00 pm
5/9 - Dental Clinic
5/10 - 7th gr. Outdoor Career Day @ KVCC, 8:30-1:30
5/21 - Early Release - 12:00 dismissal
5/23 - Touch of High School, Erskine, grade 6, 12 - 2
5/23 - JMG Closing Ceremony, 6:00
5/27 - Memorial Day - No School