

China Middle School

Regional School Unit No. 18

Belgrade – China - Oakland - Rome – Sidney

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Job Opportunities:

Substitute Teacher Training - China Middle and many other schools in the area need substitute teachers. If you enjoy working with children and want to learn more about the rewards of working as a substitute in local schools, check out the Mid-Maine Regional Adult Community Education Program training offered at Waterville Senior High School on Thursday, Nov 14, 5:30-7:30 pm (\$11 self-supporting fee). For more information about this and many other adult ed offerings, or to register, contact www.midmaine.maineadulted.org or call 873-5754.

School News:

Gymnasium Renovation Expansion Update: The gymnasium renovation expansion project has been delayed from the original date for completion. The new projected completion date is November 11. Please notice the location changes or date changes for events that were previously scheduled to take place in the China Middle School gymnasium.

***DATE CHANGE* - CMS School Pictures will be taken November 1st.** Due to the construction project in our gymnasium we had to reschedule.

Yearbook News:

Pre-order your 2019/2020 yearbook now. Order forms can be found in the office or see Ms. Armour. They cost \$10 each (checks can be made out to CMS. Please include Yearbook order on memo line.)

Parents of 8th Graders

Baby Photos: We would love to have a baby and younger photo of your student for the slideshow/yearbook. Photos may be emailed to darmour@rsu18.org or tstrout@rsu18.org. Photos can also be given to Ms. Armour or Mrs. Strout. Thank you to everyone who have already sent in their photos.

If you are interested in placing an ad or a special message for your graduate you may do so by going to <https://www.jostens.com/apps/jcom/router.mvc?affiliateId=2736385>

Follow the steps provided. Space is limited so get yours today.

8th Grade News:

Ticket sales are going great for our Quilt Raffle. The raffle will be drawn at the end of November. Tickets and information were sent home with the 8th grade students. If everyone can sell 10 tickets that would be great! Tickets can be purchased in the CMS office. Keep up the good work everyone!!

**China Middle School
Quilt Raffle**
All Proceeds Benefit
8th Grade Class 2020
for Class Trip, Promotion Ceremony and Activities



Queen Size Quilt valued at over \$300
Tickets \$1 Each or 6 for \$5
Winner to be drawn at the end of November.
You do not need to be present to win.
Thank you for your support!

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The craft fair is only 4 days away and we still have a few things to finalize. Items still needed are; bagels (1 doz) & cream cheese, 2 more cooked turkeys, white bean chili and baked goods for the bake sale table. If you are donating a cooked turkey please have it delivered to the school by Thursday morning so that we can start making the turkey salad. Everything else can be dropped off at the school anytime during the day on Friday (or before), that will give us plenty of time to get anything that is missing.

The time slots to volunteer are 8:30 to 10:30 & 10:30 to 2:30. Please send me an email if any of these times will work for you or if you can donate one of the food items. Thank you.

Thank you for your support.
Tina Strout
8th Grade Class Advisor

News from Nurse Bonnie:

In accordance with MDOE Rule 20-A.M.R.S. 6451 to 6453, Vision & Hearing Screenings for 5th and 7th grades will begin immediately. Students who currently wear glasses will be tested with the glasses on. Any student considered to fail the screening will be referred to their parents and provided with a referral form to bring to their health care provider or specialist. A student whose parents object in writing to screening shall not be screened unless a sight or hearing defect is reasonably apparent.

Also, height and weight measurements are recommended as this is the most practical method for assessing children's growth, and assist with calculating Body Mass Index (BMI). A student whose parents objects in writing shall be excused from the height/weight portion of screening.

Thank you B. Newcombe RN

Athletic Dept. News:

Congratulations to Boys and Girls soccer on a great season. Boys were the 3 seed and won the SVAC Championship in a 1-0 win over Windsor. Girls were the 2 seed and lost a heartbreaking championship game 2-1 to Windsor. Our girls team were awarded the Sportsmanship award for the SVAC Conference. Great job both teams!!

Basketball Tryouts are November 12th and 13th at the Primary School. Reminder that participation packets need to be turned in in order to tryout. They are located outside Mr. Brooks' door.

****Fall Sports Banquet was originally set for 11/7 @ CMS, it has been rescheduled to Nov. 14th****

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COUNSELING SERVICES

Sweetser Services accepts MaineCare and most other insurance programs. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Lois Bowden or Meaghan Murphy at 445-1500.

China PTO News:

China Maine Craft Show

Sponsored by The China PTO

Saturday, November 2, 2019

China Primary School 9am-2pm ***Please note location change***

Polar Pals Holiday Shop is coming to the China Maine Craft Show on November 2, 2019, from 9am-2pm! Flyers were sent home with kids this week. This will be a place for kids to shop for affordable gifts for their family and friends, with prices ranging from .35 cents to about \$16! Each purchase at the Holiday Shop will be wrapped in a self-sealing gift bag and will then be placed in a shopping bag. There will be budget envelopes available at the door so that kids will know how much they can spend on each item, and there will be volunteers available to help them stay within budget! Come join us for what will hopefully be our first annual Polar Pals Holiday Shop for kids!

Upcoming PTO events - email Chinaschoolspto@gmail.com to volunteer an hour or two of your time!

Zumba Workouts - weekly! Starting on Friday, 9/13/2019, we will hold a Zumba class (45 minutes) in the CPS Gym. Attendance is \$7 for ages 13 through adult, ages 12 and under are free!

China Maine Craft Show - 11/2/2019 - We will need a lot of volunteers for this event! Stay tuned on the PTO FB page for electronic volunteer signups!

China Rec News:

It's time to send in your basketball registration forms!

Contact Raigan York at 242-6515 or Ashley Allen 952-2019 if you have any questions!

Like our FB page to stay informed of weather cancellations and updates from the league!

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

11/1 - Quarter 1 Ends

11/1 - School Photo Day ***Date Change***

11/2 - PTO China Craft Fair ***Location Change - China Primary School***

11/6 - Drama Production for Parents/Community 6:30pm ***Location Change - China Primary School***

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11/6 - School Board Meeting @ JHB, 7:00 pm

11/7 - PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm

11/8 - Teacher Inservice - No School

11/11 - Veteran’s Day - No School

11/12 - Honor Roll Recognition Assembly 8:15-8:45 ***Date Change- TBD***

11/12 - Report Cards Sent Home

11/12-11/14 - Basketball Tryouts Begin

11/14 - Fall Sports Banquet, 5:30 pm ***Date Change***

11/27-11/30 - Thanksgiving Break, No School

12/3 - Early Release Day, Noon Dismissal