

# China Middle School

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### **RSU #18 Job Opportunities: Ongoing Openings:**

Substitute Bus Drivers, Van Drivers/Aids, Substitute Custodians, Substitute Nurses, Substitute Nutrition Workers and Substitute Teachers. Please go to

<https://rsu18.org/about-us/employment-opportunities/> to apply or contact Lois Bowden @ 445-1500 if you have any questions.

### **School News:**

Clipper Gear is still on sale, adult sizes:

CMS Baseball Shirts - sm, med, lg and xlg

CMS Clipper lace up sweatshirt - lg

CMS Clipper Black Sweatshirts - xlg youth, sm, med and lg

Also available China Clippers Water Bottles!! \$10.00 each

Please contact Tina Strout in the office if you are interested. Photos of the merchandise are available. Thank you.

JMG's annual Giving Tree at China Schools received a generous gift from the Dunkin' on Western Ave in Augusta. Kelsey Morin, a China Middle School parent and manager at Dunkin' organized the efforts. Kelsey added, "each year my team and I give up all our tips for a week and ask customers to donate change to help us get Christmas presents for people in need. We set a goal of \$600 and came out at \$606. All of the money was spent on gifts for China Schools Giving Tree." A wicked big thanks to the China Schools community for their help in support of the Giving Tree.



Giving Tree gifts with Kelsey Morin, manager at Dunkin'

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Dakota Hoffman and Kevin Pelletier with all gifts

### **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 the memo line).

### **Parents of 8th Graders**

It’s time to start collecting items for our March Madness Calendar Fundraiser! Our first item has already been donated; a coupon for a free oil change at B & P Garage! Thank you Annette Bickford. Please contact area businesses, family members or anyone that might like to make a donation to our calendar (cash donations are accepted and are a calendar favorite)! I would like to have our calendar filled with items by the end of January so that we can spend all of February selling tickets! If you have any questions please let me know.

Thanks,  
Tina

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](mailto:darmour@rsu18.org) or [tstrout@rsu18.org](mailto: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.

Please have all applications for the Heritage Tour Fund returned by December 13th. Thank you.

### **Athletic Dept. News:**

Our Winter Sports Store is now open and will be until 1/23!! There are new shirts for the Boys Soccer

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Championship. Attached is the flier.

Tuesday 1/14

Girls Varsity and Girls JV PRACTICE 4:15-5:45 CMS

Boys Varsity PRACTICE 2:45-4:15 CMS

Boys JV PRACTICE 2:45-4:15 CPS

Wednesday 1/15

Girls Varsity PRACTICE 2:45-4:15 CMS

Girls JV PRACTICE 2:45-4:15 CPS

Boys Varsity PRACTICE 4:15-5:45 CMS

Girls Varsity PRACTICE 4:15-5:45 CPS

Thursday 1/16

China @ St. Mikes GV/GJV 4pm

St. Mikes @ China BV/BJV 4pm

### **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:**

#### **Winter Clothing Drive Successful**

The response to the PTO Winter Clothing Drive was a huge success! A small group of dedicated PTO volunteers gathered, washed, and sorted everything that was donated by our generous community and we ended up with 8 or 9 totes full of gently used or new clothing. Socks, hats, gloves, mittens, boots, jackets, snow pants are all available for kids or adults in our community who are in need of financial assistance. These items are stored in the CMS Clipper Closet and can be accessed by asking school staff for specific items needed. We will discreetly send these items home in your child's backpack. No special trip to school is necessary.

Join us for our meetings and add your voice! We meet the first Thursday of every month, at 6pm. Most often in the CMS Library. Join our closed FaceBook group for regular updates on meetings & the meeting agenda, upcoming events, volunteer needs or to watch our meeting on FB Live! Find us by searching for China Schools PTO.

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### **Upcoming Events:**

**Zumba** – returning with a new instructor (from China) starting 1/8/2019 at 5:30pm at CPS. Class will be every Wednesday at 5:30pm, at CPS going forward.

**Paint Night** – 2/7/2020 at 6pm, in the CPS Café. More details and event ticket sales link to follow.

**Family Fun Night** – 3/6/2020, free family event...more details to follow!

**Annual Fun Run & 5K** – 5/30/2020, more details and event ticket sales link to follow.

**Health & Wellness Week** – 5/25/2020-5/29/2020, leading up to our Fun Run & 5K and our Health & Wellness Fair below. More details to follow!

**Health & Wellness Fair** – 5/30/2020, this will begin after the Fun Run & 5K end! More details to follow!

Volunteers are always needed! In order to continue to provide events like the above, we need more parent volunteers. Don't want to join the PTO? Not a problem! Consider becoming a 2 hour power volunteer. Pledge two hours of your time to volunteer at an event, and we'll contact you with our specific needs! After that, you won't hear from us!

Email me at [chinaschoolspto@gmail.com](mailto:chinaschoolspto@gmail.com) with any questions, or to volunteer for any amount of time!

### **China Rec News:**

If you have any basketball related questions, please reach out to Todd Dunn at 514-4923. For any registration or miscellaneous questions reach out to Raigan York at 242-6515.

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.**

01/14 - JMG 8th Grade Field Trip to Augusta Technologies 8:15-10:15

01/17 - 5th/6th Grade Mad Science Presentation, 1:00pm

01/17 - School Spelling Bee 8:15 am

01/20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No School

01/21 - Teacher Inservice, No School

01/22 - School Board Meeting @ CMS, 7:00pm

01/24 - Quarter 2 Ends

01/31 - Report Cards Sent Home

01/31 - Honor Roll Assembly, 8:15 am

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02/05 - School Board Mtg. @ CO, 7:00 pm  
02/06 - Math Meet, 9-12 @ CLCC  
02/06 - China PTO Mtg, 6:00 pm @ CMS Lib.  
02/17-02/21 - Winter Break, No School  
02/27 - Winter Sports Banquet, 5:30 pm  
02/28 - Winter Carnival, 5:00 pm  
03/12 - Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:30-7:00 pm  
03/15-03/21 - 8th Grade Heritage Tour  
03/20 - Teacher Workshop, No School  
03/24 - Early Release, 12:00 Dismissal  
04/03 - Quarter 3 Ends  
04/04 - District IV Music Festival  
04/17 - Teacher Comp Day, No School  
04/20-04/24 - Spring Break, No School  
04/30 - Ed Fair, 3:30 - 7:00 pm  
05/19 - Early Release, 12:00 Dismissal