

Calkins Road Middle School

Pittsford Central School District

Welcome back!

I can't remember a more exciting opening of school than this year, welcoming all of our MidKnights back together for the start of the 2021-2022 school year. The energy is palpable in the building and we are hitting the ground running. Please read through this monthly newsletter for useful information and upcoming events. I look forward to an amazing partnership with our parent community and having a wonderful and exciting school year together!

Mr. Walker

Please note the 7th grade Fun Night scheduled for Sept 24th has been postponed.

CRMS Open House on Sept 22nd

The CRMS Open House this year will be as in-person event, running from 6-8p on Wednesday, September 22nd. Shuttle buses will be available, running from Mendon Center Elementary school starting at 5:15p. We highly encourage parents to utilize this service to help reduce the parking congestion at CRMS.

The purpose of Open House is to meet the teacher and hear a brief introduction of the course, content and expectations. Some teachers may hold more of an open classroom format and some may have a more standard presentation. **Keep in mind that It is not a time for individual conferences.**

As we transition back to an in-person format, we are asking for your support with three specific requests:

- Where possible, please limit your family attendance to one guardian. While we will welcome all that attend, we are concerned about space as we attempt to keep everyone approximately three feet apart while in classrooms.
- Per NYSDOH public health law, all indoor school events require masking. We ask for your cooperation by wearing a mask while you are indoors.
- Please do not attend if you are experiencing any of the following symptoms: Temperature of >100° • Fever, chills • Shortness of breath • Sore throat • Loss of taste or smell • Headache • Loss of appetite • Cough • Nasal congestion • Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea • Fatigue • Muscle or body aches



Upcoming Events

September 22

CRMS Open House 6p-8p

October 8

Columbus Day, No School

October 11

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Join our amazing PTSA!

Welcome to the Calkins Road community from PTSA! As PTSA Co-chairs, we are extremely proud of how strong and adaptable the students were last year, and we are so grateful to have them back full time and in-person this year!

CRMS PTSA supports all students, staff, and families and serves to connect and champion our community. Each year, this all-volunteer organization funds close to \$10,000 of programs and events that enhance and enrich CRMS. Did you know PTSA plans and manages Fun Nights, sponsors library programs, and provides the agendas for every student.

YOUR HELP is needed to keep PTSA programs running for 2021-22! Please consider joining the PTSA – you can register and pay the \$17 membership fee online at crms.pittsfordptsa.net.

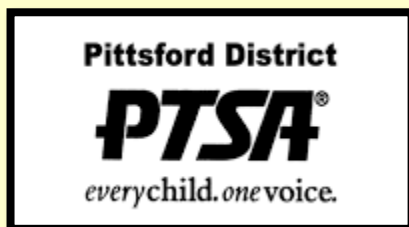
Have you signed up for our bi-weekly e-news? The MidKnight Express is a great way to stay connected to what's going on at CRMS. If you haven't subscribed or want to edit your e-news subscriptions, you can do so here: [MidKnight Express Sign Up](#).

We are looking forward to a constructive year for everyone!

Thank you!

CRMS PTSA co-chairs

Kristin Rohlfs & Emma Derisi



Reminders for arrival & dismissal times



Thank you to our parents who have been so wonderful during our arrival and pick-up times at school. As a reminder:

- Please make sure you are following the signs for the parent loop and not cutting through the parking lot. As it is getting darker in the morning, we want to make sure our students and staff are safe.
- During our afternoon dismissal, we ask that parents pull up as far as they can when there is a gap in the cars. Stopping in the middle causes back-up and slows down the process.
- Cars are not allowed in the bus loop between 7-8a and 1-4p. Thank you for your attention to this.

What will you do today for a better tomorrow?...MidKnight Pride

Reminders:

- Follow CRMS on Twitter! **@PCSDCalkinsRd**
- When visiting our school, please make sure to come by and sign into the Main Office. We keep our outer doors secure after school begins. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!
- Please do not park in the bus loop during the posted hours of 7:00 – 8:00a and 1:00 – 4:00p. These times are for bus traffic only.
- PLEASE do not send birthday cakes, cookie cakes, etc. or send pizza to your child during the school day. We want to honor and celebrate birthdays, but please save these items for home. We appreciate your cooperation!

School pictures

Picture day is Friday 10/1

To place your order online

- 1) Go to this [site](#)
- 2) Enter school code **21CRS**
- 3) Place order & write approval code on order form

Online payments available until 9pm on 9/30

[Click here for Clix order form](#)

CRMS 1:1 device rollout

This week our students are receiving their school issued laptops. As part of the roll-out, students watch a series of videos about the device and how to access help. The laptops are a school supply, and students need to bring them back and forth to school each day, and take care to charge them overnight. Visit the [Technology Department's 1 to 1 Device page](#) to view the videos and access other helpful resources for students and parents.



Sports study hall and after school reminders

Students playing on a school sports team are expected to be in sports study hall after school. Students report to the Commons and sit at assigned tables until their coach comes to pick them up. Some of our sports teams take a shuttle to BRMS and attend sports study hall there. This is an excellent time to complete homework and study as needed. Students are given 15 minutes at the start to eat a snack, and then they are expected to remain masked in study hall.

Students staying after school need to be under the supervision of a staff member. If a student is getting extra help, going to a rehearsal or attending a club activity, they will be at that location until approximately 3:15p. Students taking the late bus will be given a late bus pass and be shuttled to SHS to take the bus home. Students getting picked up by a parent can report to the parent loop.



Images from the first day of school...

