

Twister Talk

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IN RECOGNITION OF
OKLAHOMA ROAD MIDDLE SCHOOL
2011 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL
September 15, 2011

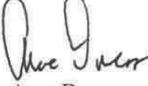
Congratulations on being recognized as a 2011 National Blue Ribbon School. This award acknowledges your efforts to ensure that every child attains high levels of academic performance and salutes your success in accordance with the Blue Ribbon Schools Program criteria. Your school is a model of excellence and student achievement from which others can take inspiration.

Your status as a 2011 National Blue Ribbon School affirms the broader commitments you have made to expand the horizons of knowledge for all your students by equipping them to explore those horizons wisely. You have demonstrated that, working together, parents, teachers, staff, administrators, and community leaders can nurture all students to reach their full potential. You remind us that with determination and effort, anything is possible.

President Barack Obama and I believe that every child in this country deserves a world-class education. We are investing unprecedented resources to realize a vision of education that supports students from cradle to career. Our plan begins with high-quality early childhood programs, transitions to world-class K-12 systems, and culminates in accessible and affordable college and career options to give all Americans a path to fulfilling careers and engaged citizenship. As you know, in an interconnected, competitive global economy, the best way to secure our common future is through education.

We look forward to celebrating your accomplishments with our Blue Ribbon Schools Program partners—the National Association of Elementary School Principals, the National Middle School Association, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and the Council of Chief State School Officers—during the national recognition events November 14-15, 2011. We invite two representatives from your school (the principal and a teacher or staff member) to attend the events, to be held at the Washington, D.C., Omni Shoreham Hotel, located at 2500 Calvert Street, N.W.

We at the U.S. Department of Education commend you for your commitment to student achievement and for inspiring your students to aim high. It is my hope that you will become a beacon for other schools in your state, working with them and sharing the practices that make your school so deserving of this national recognition.


Arne Duncan



Counselors' Corner:



Staffing

Our Guidance Department is staffed by two counselors: Ms. Prestianni and Mrs. Stewart along with our guidance secretary, Mrs. Bankard. Ms. Prestianni will be working with all 6th grade students and 8th grade students whose last names begin with the letters L-Z. Mrs. Stewart will be working with all 7th grade students and 8th grade students whose last names begin with the letters A-K. Our plan is to follow our assigned students as they progress through middle school. Please feel free to contact our department on your child's behalf by phone 410-751-3600 or by e-mail:

Ms. Prestianni- baprest@carrollk12.org

Mrs. Stewart- jmstewa@carrollk12.org

Lessons

Counselors have been busy the past few weeks doing lessons with our 8th grade students on Holland's Code. Please ask your 8th graders what their code is and which jobs fall under that code. Students will be using this information to select which programs they will be seeing when they attend the Career and Technology Center in November.

Upcoming Events:

Career and Technology Center open house - Oct. 20th, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

8th Grade Career and Technology Center field trip - Nov. 8th, 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

8th Grade Liberty High tour and program review field trip - Nov. 18th, 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Please be sure to visit the counselor web-page at <http://members.thinkport.org/ormschoolcounselors>

Johns Hopkins Talent Search

Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (JHU/CTY) conducts a Talent Search to identify, assess, and recognize the academic abilities of highly able students. To qualify for the Talent Search, a student must have state (MSA) test results categorized at the highest levels of performance (such as advanced, distinguished, exceeds, honors).

Qualified students who apply to the Talent Search will receive test registration materials for the School and College Ability Test (SCAT) and the Spatial Test Battery (6th, 7th, and 8th grade), and the College Board SAT and the ACT (7th & 8th grade). Testing takes place in December or January with deadlines for registration beginning in October. The Talent Search offers a variety of services and opportunities for students after they test. More information about CTY can be found by visiting their website: www.cty.jhu.edu.

Rachel's Challenge: Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2011 from 7-8

Rachel's Challenge is a nationally recognized bullying prevention program. Rachel Scott, the first victim of the Columbine shootings, touched the lives of many through her kindness and compassion. Rachel's Challenge spreads her message through this powerful educational presentation. Students will see a presentation during the school day that will inspire them and draw students together. Parents are encouraged to join in this commitment by attending the evening presentation.



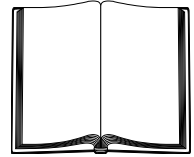
INFO FOR EVERYONE

Carroll County Public Schools Student Handbook

All 6th grade students have been given a copy of the CCPS Student Handbook. This handbook contains numerous policies and procedures that your child is responsible for understanding. School staff will review the handbook with your student. Please review the following policies with your child:

- * Electronic Devices
- * Substance Abuse
- * Weapons
- * Dress Code

- * Search and Seizure
- * Violent Acts
- * Staff and Student Relationships



SECURITY CAMERAS



In a continuing effort to provide a safe and orderly environment; security cameras exist both inside and outside our school building. All persons using our facility will be subject to this surveillance.

VISITORS

Just a reminder — **ALL VISITORS** to the building must sign in at the main office and receive a Visitor's badge. The exception would be if you are going to the nurse. In that case, you may proceed directly to the nurse without signing in. Parents must check in at the office prior to visiting teachers and/or classrooms. This is for the safety of all children and staff.



Service Learning Information

The Service Learning Coordinator for ORMS, Mrs. Lauren Warner, would like to remind all parents and students that:

1. Services Learning Hours may begin to accumulate the first day of summer break PRIOR to entering the sixth grade.
2. Blank Student Service Reflection forms may be obtained in the school office or online at:
<http://www.carrollk12.org/instruction/student-services/servicelearning/default.asp>
3. Thoroughly completed service reflection forms must be returned to the appropriate bin marked "Service Learning Forms" located in the office.
4. Failure to thoroughly complete these forms may result in a delay in receiving credit.
5. Outdoor school forms must be submitted by October 1st of the 7th grade school year. Each child may receive 10 service learning hours for their first Outdoor School Project. Any additional projects will receive the number of hours required to complete the project.
6. Forms must be received no later than one year from the date the service was performed.
7. Completed forms must be received by the following dates to appear on report cards:

1st Quarter	11/03/11	2nd Quarter	01/26/12
3rd Quarter	03/30/12	4th Quarter	06/14/12

It is always a good idea to keep a copy of each thoroughly completed form before it is submitted.

ORMS will be participating in Veteran's Day celebrations by gathering our students for a school-wide assembly on November 11. We are issuing invitations to Veterans to join us for this day of honoring our nation's servicemen and women. Prior to the celebration, students will be invited to submit biographies of family members or friends who are either currently serving or previously served in the military. We look forward to showing our



Effective with the **2012-13 School Year**
The new Instructional Hours for students will be:

8:25 am—3:00 pm

INFO FOR EVERYONE

(Continued)



THE DAILY DOZEN OF BUS RIDING

1. Be at the bus stop five minutes before pick-up time.
2. Walk safely to the bus stop and wait in a safe manner.
3. Watch your step and use the handrail when getting on and off the bus.
4. Take your seat promptly and remain seated for your ride to and from school.
5. Sit in the seat — facing front, keep your feet, books and other articles out of the aisle.
6. Always keep your hands and head inside the bus.
7. Report any damage that you see to the driver.
8. Eating, smoking or using vulgar language is not permitted.
9. Your conduct should be quiet and orderly so the driver is not distracted from the important job of driving.
10. Your driver is responsible for the safe operation of the bus; listen to the driver's instructions.
11. Wait until the bus has come to a stop before leaving your seat.
12. Cross ten feet in front of the bus with the warning lights only upon discharge and if you live on the opposite side of the road be sure *you* check traffic both ways, too.

WALKING SAFELY TO SCHOOL



Many of our students walk to and from school on a regular basis. Other students may from time to time receive permission to walk home with a friend. (Reminder — the school office needs signed permission for a student normally assigned to a bus to be able to walk home with another student.) Following pedestrian safety rules is necessary for a safe arrival at school and the return trip home. Parents, please encourage your children to observe and obey traffic rules as they apply to your situation. We encourage all students when walking to follow these guidelines:

- Take the most direct route home.
- Look both ways when crossing the street.
- Pay close attention to all traffic at 4-way intersections.
- Use crosswalks and sidewalks wherever possible.
- Walk to and from school with a friend.
- Also stay off of private property unless the owner has given you permission to be on their property.

We strongly discourage students from crossing Route 26 on their way home from school.



MUSIC TIME! DINNER TIME! MUSIC TIME!



It's a Winter Feast! A Dinner Fundraiser for ORMS Music Department. The Sixth Grade Chorus and Eighth Grade Band Concert on Monday December 19th will begin with music during dinner. This concert will feature an Italian Dinner provided by Salerno's Catering and tickets go on sale Monday, November 28th. Watch for ticket purchase information in the next newsletter.

Ticket prices will be \$13 and anyone can attend. Students attending dinner should be accompanied by an adult. No tickets will be sold at the door. Music will be provided during dinner by ORMS choral and instrumental students. If you want to come to dinner prior to the evening concert at 7:00 pm, you must purchase a ticket. The ensemble concert at 7:00 pm is free. So, mark your calendars now and plan on joining us on December 19th for dinner and music.

The Schedule for the CCPS Board of Education Meetings can be found at: <http://www.carrollk12.org/boe/meetings/default.asp>

CLUB NEWS

(Continued)

SHOUT is very excited about the beginning of our new year!! Our first general meeting had an astonishing 107 students participate! We're in the process of electing officers, and leaders for the 2011-12 year. Once that is established we will be on our way to a busy year of fundraising, community projects, and student awareness programs. Your advisors this year are Mrs. Ritter, Ms. Taylor, and Mrs. DeSimone.

Twister Learning Club (T.L.C.)

Attention All Parents and/or Guardians of Eighth Grade Students:

The eighth grade teachers will be offering weekly after school sessions during Twister Learning Club (T.L.C.) from **3:30-4:15 p.m.** on **alternating Tuesdays and Thursdays** after school (unless there is a scheduled early dismissal or holiday). Our upcoming T.L.C. dates are:

October 6th, 11th, 20th, and 25th.

During T.L.C. students may work on getting caught up from an absence, spend time organizing notebooks and lockers, and/or receive extra help from a teacher. Students may choose to attend a T.L.C. session by bringing in written permission from home. Some students may be assigned to an after school session if a teacher feels that they need additional help or to address a specific behavior problem (i.e. lack of preparation, disorganization, not using class time wisely). Look for T.L.C. dates in the newsletter and on the school website. With parent support and student commitment, we are sure that T.L.C. will provide a positive environment that will allow our learners to reach their full potential!

BOOK CLUB

Sixth grade RLA teacher Mrs. Hurff and Media Specialist Mrs. Kachur will be sponsoring an after school Book Club again this year to promote reading and complete related activities. It will be held in the Media Center on the last Thursday of each month. All students are welcome. Attendance every month is not required; each month's book will be publicized via morning announcements. Permission slips are available in the Media Center.



SKI CLUB!!

Winter will be here in no time and sign up for ski club is happening right now.

This club is only for 8th graders and any 8th grader who would like to join ski club must see Ms. Webber for a packet. All trips are listed in the packet. Students will take a bus to Liberty Ski Resort 6 times this winter. All students need to purchase a Night Club Card and pay for their transportation by bus from Oklahoma Road to Liberty. All information is in the packet so have your child pick it up today!!!

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!!!



CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) is firmly committed to creating equal employment and educational opportunities for all persons with regard to its employment practices and in the provision of services, programs, and activities. The CCPS does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, genetic information, marital status, mental or physical disability, ancestry or national origin, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation. The CCPS provides non-discriminatory access to school facilities in accordance with its policies and regulations regarding the community use of schools (including, but not limited to, the Boy Scouts). The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Gregory J. Bricca, Director of Research and Accountability, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, (410) 751-3068.

The Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment or the provision of services, programs or activities. Persons needing auxiliary aids and services for communication should contact the Office of Community and Media Relations at 410-751-3020 or publicinfo@carrollk12.org, or write to Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, may use Relay or 7-1-1. Please contact the school system at least one (1) week in advance of the date the special accommodation is needed. Information concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act is available from the Director of Facilities or the Supervisor of Community and Media Relations: Raymond Prokop, Director of Facilities, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, (410) 751-3177, or Carey Gaddis, Supervisor of Community and Media Relations, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, (410) 751-3020.

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Physical Education News

Wow! What a rainy start to the 2011-2012 school year. Our students have been very flexible participating inside and outside when we can. We have been rotating around the different units of flag football, frisbee games, fitness, field hockey, and soccer. These units will continue for another several weeks. All students have been dressing in their PE uniforms for weeks now so please encourage those uniforms to get home and washed.

We are continuing to sell PE uniform in the morning for a cost of \$16.00. To ensure your child's success in PE please make sure they have one. Please provide your child with a bag to carry their uniforms to and from PE.

As we all know the seasons are changing. The PE Team would like to take this time to remind everyone that all students should have a cold weather clothes for class. All classes are hoping to participate outside until Thanksgiving, so please remind your child to have the appropriate clothing for these days. Any warm clothes are acceptable as long as they follow the guidelines stated in the student handbook, and are separate from the clothes they worn to school for the day. In the event a student forgets his or her uniform, borrowed uniforms are available in both the boys and girls locker rooms. Every student is allowed 3 borrowed uniforms per quarter.

Proper footwear is required: No flip-flops, Uggs, or open toe shoes

Please refer to the orientation letter given to your child for more detailed procedures and expectations for PE.

Please keep reading the PE news in the newsletter for all of our upcoming dates. Intramurals and Afternoon Fitness Club are underway. Grade 8 is playing morning flag football right now. Afternoon Fitness is on every Wednesday afternoon from 330-430 except for the 1st Wednesday of every month. If there is a delay in the opening or an early dismissal of school Intramurals and Afternoon Fitness are cancelled. As always thank you so much for your support during these events.

As always the PE team is here to ensure success for your child. If there are any problems or concerns please email your child's PE teacher or call the school and leave a message (410) 751-3600. We will gladly return your email or phone call in a timely manner.

Mr. Golden: magolde@carrollk12.org

Mr. Stull: jastull@carrollk12.org

Ms. Webber: dlwebbe@carrollk12.org

NURSES' NOTES:

Welcome back! If you anticipate your child needing medication during school hours, please be sure to fill out a medication permission form and have an **adult** bring the medication to school. Students are **not** allowed to transport medication to and from school. In addition, please be aware that any medications (except Advil and Tylenol) must have a doctor's order. Doctor's orders are also required if you wish to give your child any other dosage than what is recommended by the manufacturer. This would include giving a child under 12 adult strength Advil or Extra-Strength Tylenol. Please remember that medications from last year were destroyed and a new medication form is needed each year.

If you have any urgent or serious medical concerns that you feel the nurse should be aware of, please contact the nurse. Also, please complete the emergency cards and emergency procedure forms as soon as possible. Any significant medical information will be shared with teachers on a need to know basis.

There is the same policy this year regarding illness and fevers. If a student has a fever of 100° or above, the student **must** be fever free without medication for **24** hours before returning to school.

Hand washing is the single most important thing we can do to prevent illness. Please remind your children about the importance of hand washing.

If you are without medical care, the Carroll County Health Department can help. The CCHD provides many services for free or at a very low cost. Some services include immunizations, reduced fee dental programs, physicians' services, women's health and prevention programs. Contact the CCHD at 410-857-5000 for further information. If your child has had a recent physical or recent immunizations, please send a copy of this information to the nurse. Thank you.

Carole Miller, RN
Colleen Kinnear, RN
School Nurses



SCHOOL NEWS

MEDIA BEAT

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our *Fall Scholastic Book Fair* will kick off Monday, October 3rd and end on Friday, October 14.

The Book Fair will be open daily from **8:05 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.** Books make great gifts and fill home libraries. *Family Night at the Book Fair* will be *Monday October 10, from 5:00-8:00 p.m.* Unable to make it to Family Night? Order books from the Fair ONLINE! Simply visit scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs between October 3rd and October 21st and select our school.

If you would like to volunteer, please call the school and ask for Mrs. Kachur or Mrs. Paczynski. Thank you so much for your participation.

Home Access to Destiny

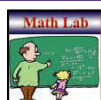
Students have access to Destiny, our Media Center Catalog, from home! Just go to <https://destiny.carrollk12.org/> and select Oklahoma Road. Or, select the link on the Media page of Oklahoma Road's website. This link has been updated since the Back-to-School newsletter.

Media Aides and Volunteers

This year the ORMS media center has *fabulous student media aides* who help run the busy circulation desk during morning and afternoon homeroom. Please welcome Audrey Weise, Justin Henderson, Derek Wagner, Jordan Cassatt, Trevor Hiltz, Syera Jordan, Parker Kleb, Ryan Turlik, Nate Felbinger, and Jackie Ramos. In addition, our wonderful parent volunteers help out in the afternoons-Diane McManus, Mary Ellen O'Neill, Beth Aman, and Debbie Thompson.

Teen Read Week

TRW is a national adolescent literacy initiative that encourages librarians, teachers, and other adults to help teens find time to read for the fun of it. This year's theme, "**Picture It@your library**", promotes a variety of topics such as reading graphic novels and other illustrated materials, seeking out other creative books, or imagining the world through literature. Join us **October 16-22** in encouraging your teen to read...*for the fun of it!*



What is Math Lab?

Math lab is a 'Special' in which students are able to improve their math skills. It involves using a computer program called SuccessMaker Enterprise. SuccessMaker gives help in areas of math needs, with repeated practice and tutorials. After the initial testing portion, which determines the student's ability levels, the teaching part of the program helps students make significant gains in math understanding.

Students also receive small group math tutoring as well. Fact practice is important as many of the students have never memorized their facts. Regular math teachers also suggest areas of content which need to be reviewed or practiced to go along with classroom work. The learning takes place with varied and fun methods to help reach students who learn in different ways. They also make a possibly difficult subject more enjoyable.

Having a strong knowledge of math concepts will give the students more success in their regular classes, increase their confidence in math, and their self-esteem.

ORMS PTA MEETING

August 20, 2011

7PM

Attendees:

Sheila Burrows
Sue Moore
Jen Shatto

Jana Poling
Cheryl Leupen
Mary Ellen O'Neill

Nicole Agostino
Mary Ellen Wagner
Cathy Hood

Scott Creutzer
Nikki Rauser
Dave Watkins

Meeting was called to order at 6:40pm by Jana Poling, President.

Jana Poling – General

- Meeting dates for 2011-2012 are Sept 12, Oct 17, Nov 14, Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 12, Apr 16, May 14, and June 11 all at 7pm in the Media Center
- PTA National dues increased from \$3.25 to \$3.75 this year, so our dues this year will be \$7 per person or \$12 per couple

Mary Ellen Wagner – Membership

- Discussed placement of membership table for back to school nights
- Need 1 more volunteer for Wed
- Covered Thurs. AM for teacher breakfast

Nikki Rauser - Cultural Committee

- Looking at a holocaust survivor who reads the Diary of Ann Frank for 8th grade – Mr. Watkins will check if the time of year matters
- Also for 8th grade a civil war reenactment of surgery on the battlefield

Scott Creutzer – Treasurer's Report

The budget was reviewed line by line:

- Business products doesn't need an amount – the postage can come out of the money received
- The new Student handbooks cost \$4300, knew the budget was \$3500 so school is paying the difference for this year – for 2012-2013 try and budget \$4300
- Club support drop to \$300 (from \$600), since hardly used in the past
- Teacher grants budgeted at \$2500 based on 50 teachers
- Misc. membership exp. increase to \$300 (from \$200), this is the token gifts given when join PTA
- Add misc. income line of \$200 to reflect magnet sales
- Twist-a-thon administrative expense increase to \$350 (from \$300)

Motion made by Mary Ellen O'Neil to approve the budget with the above changes

Motion seconded by Sue Moore

A vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Misc.

Mary Ellen O'Neil inquired whether it would be possible to have a frequently asked questions section to the website:

- Jana to ask Michelle Olson – welcoming committee to look into this

Parent workshop suggestions were requested:

- Some suggestions were: internet safety, having the parents use technology the kids actually use in the classroom, high school info night/open forum for questions
- Mrs. Hood noted that on Oct 12 there would be the Rachel's Challenge Presentation (named after a victim at Columbine High School, it uses her drawings and journal)

Cathy Hood - Principal's Report

ORMS is the only middle school in the county to make AYP, therefore we do not have to write an improvement plan
Mrs. Hood thanked everyone as we are also the only middle school in the county with a PTA
Staff changes:

- Mrs. Vasco has decided to stay home with her child, Ms. Mintzer will replace her
- Mrs. Christman and Ms. DiBuono have left – Lance Cunningham will be team 8 new science teacher and Kim Eason will be team 8 new Math teacher
- Jill DiBuono was also the PTA faculty rep, checking on a replacement
- Mrs. Carangal will teacher both on team 3 and 5
- Due to increased enrollment we have added a .5 position
- Mrs. Linton, Office Manager has retired, Donna Box previously from Westminster High School will be the new Office Manager
- Mrs. Hurff had twins, her long term sub is Ms. Frank
- Mrs. Moore is leaving to go to Sykesville Middle for a full time position
- A Math intervention assistant is needed

Team 3 will have 3 6th grade and 1 7th grade homerooms
Outdoor school will be mid-Feb to end of Mar, with breaks for MSA testing
Each child's schedule is on home access, but could still change

Dave Watkins – Asst. Principal

Mr. Watkins expressed his appreciation for the PTA and thanked everyone for a great job.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila M. Burrows, ORMS PTA Secretary

ORMS PTA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

If you haven't joined the ORMS PTA yet, it's not too late! The PTA needs your support in order to keep providing tools to help your children succeed at school, from the cultural programs that enhance their learning to the agenda books that help keep them organized.

To support ORMS PTA just complete the form below, include your \$7 for a single membership or \$12 for two memberships in cash or check made payable to ORMS PTA, fold it in half, tape it up, and send it in to school with your child. Please take a moment and join the ORMS PTA to make a positive difference in your child's future. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mary Ellen Wagner at 410-549-7727 or mellen617@verizon.net.

Member Name _____

Member Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Student Name _____ Homeroom _____

Student Name _____ Homeroom _____

Student Name _____ Homeroom _____

For information regarding PTA Officers and Committee Chairs, please refer to the PTA link on the ORMS home web page: www.carrollk12.org/orms

O.R.M.S. VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

The success of our volunteer program depends on the generous donations of time and talent that the parents and grandparents give to ORMS. We realize that some of you may be able to commit to giving several hours a week, while others may not be in a position to donate time, but are more than willing to donate snacks or paper goods for an event.

Any help is greatly appreciated and all volunteers are very valuable. We try very hard to match the school's needs with the individual volunteer's abilities (both time and skill). By filling out the questionnaire completely we will be able to make a better schedule.

Volunteer Name (please print) _____

Volunteer email address: _____

Volunteer Phone # _____

Child/Children's Name(s) and Team # _____

Times of Day I'm usually available: _____

Please note: *Volunteers who come into contact with students are required to attend annual volunteer training. Training is NOT required to donate goods or provide teacher support from home.

Volunteer positions I would consider:(check all that may apply):

___ Media Volunteer (requires once a week commitment from 12-3)

Days that I am available: Mondays Tuesdays Wednesdays Thursdays Fridays

___ Assist my child's team teachers Which Teams(s) _____

_____ in school* (requires a weekly commitment, we will call you to schedule)

_____ Making phone calls (may be done from school or home)

___ Assist the specials team
(P.E., Art, Health, Music, FACS, Tech Ed)

_____ Play Day (usually scheduled for May)

___ Chaperone after school or evening events
(sock hops, service projects, etc.)

_____ Workroom
(clerical for any teacher)

___ Donate goods for events
(baked goods, chips, sodas, etc.)

_____ PTA committee
(specify which one: _____)

___ Book Fair

___ Tutoring/academic support: ___ During school hours ___ After school hours

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR STUDENT TO THEIR HOMEROOM TEACHER

Any questions please email mellen617@verizon.net or call 410-549-7727

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Mary Ellen Wagner

2011 - 2012 ORMS PTA Board of Directors and Committees


(as of 9/20/11)

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Carroll County **Secondary** Schools
 ½ pint of Milk Served with each Meal
Breakfast Menu - \$1.50
 Cereal & Toast served daily

October, 2011 - Breakfast



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Sausage & Egg on Roll Fruit or Juice Milk	4 Breakfast Pizza Fruit or Juice Milk	5 (3) French Toast Sticks w/ Syrup Fruit or Juice Milk	6 (1) Bagel w/ Toppings Fruit or Juice Milk	7 Breakfast Pocket Fruit or Juice Milk
10 Cinnamon Biscuit Fruit or Juice Milk	11 (2) Pancakes w/ Syrup Fruit or Juice Milk	12 Breakfast Pocket Fruit or Juice Milk	13 Ham & Cheese Muffin Fruit or Juice Milk	14 Waffles w/syrup Fruit or Juice Milk
17 Sausage & Egg on Roll Fruit or Juice Milk	18 Breakfast Pizza Fruit or Juice Milk	19 (3) French Toast Sticks w/ Syrup Fruit or Juice Milk	20 (1) Bagel w/ Toppings Fruit or Juice Milk	21 SCHOOLS CLOSED
24 Cinnamon Biscuit Fruit or Juice Milk	25 Pancakes w/Syrup Fruit or Juice Milk	26 Breakfast Pocket Fruit or Juice Milk	27 Ham & Cheese Muffin Fruit or Juice Milk	28 Waffles w/syrup Fruit or Juice Milk
31 Sausage & Egg on Roll Fruit or Juice Milk	<p><i>It's No Trick.....</i></p> <p><i>School Breakfast is a Healthy Treat!</i></p> 			




October, 2011 - Lunch



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Meatball Sub OR Hot Dog on roll Pasta Salad Hot Vegetable Fruit	4 Grilled Cheese Sandwich OR Asian Chicken Bowl Pizza Soup Fresh Veggies w/ Dip Fruit	5 Chicken Nuggets w/ Choice of Sauces w/ Roll OR Macaroni & Cheese French Fries Hot Vegetable Peaches	6 Soft or Hard Shell Tacos OR Chicken Patty on roll Shredded Lettuce Corn Fruit	7 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza OR Fish on roll Tossed Salad Vegetable Cup Fresh Fruit
10 Chicken Patty on Roll OR Rib-B-Que on Roll Vegetable Soup Coleslaw Fresh Apples	11 Mexican Beef Wrap OR Manager's Choice Fresh Veggies w/ Dip Potato Rounds Peaches	12 Pizzata OR Bologna & cheese on roll Rice Hot Vegetable Fruit	13 Pizza Casserole & Roll OR Spicy Chicken Patty on Roll Tossed Salad Pasta Salad w/ Veggies Pears	14 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza OR Tuna Salad Sub Tossed Salad Vegetable Cup Fruit
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK				
17 Hot Ham & Cheese OR Ranchero Pizza Manager's Choice Soup Apple Pineapple Salad Peaches	18 Popcorn Chicken w/ Roll OR Hot Dog on roll Vegetable Rice Casserole Garden Salad Mixed Fruit	19 Chicken Pot Pie OR Hamburger on roll Green beans Fruit	20 Stuffed Crust Pizza OR Managers Choice Golden Corn & Carrots Tossed Salad Fruit	21 SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR STUDENTS
24 Chicken Tenders w/ Roll OR Chef's Salad w/ Roll Cheesy Mashed Potatoes Fresh Veggies w/ Dip Pears	25 Oven Baked Cheesesticks w/ Dipping Sauce OR Beef-A-Roni w/ Breadstick Hot Vegetable Tossed Salad Fruit	26 Soft or Hard Shell Tacos w/ Cheese OR Cold Cut Sub Shredded Lettuce Corn Spanish Rice Mixed Fruit	27 Shepard's Pie & Baked Dinner Roll OR Chicken Mashed Potato Bowl Broccoli Tossed Salad Peaches	28 Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza OR Ham & Cheese Sub Tossed Salad Hot Vegetable Fruit
 HAPPY HALLOWEEN				
31 Chicken Nuggets w/ Choice of Sauce & Roll OR Hot Dog on Roll Baked Beans Coleslaw Peaches				

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SU	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SA
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2	<p>3</p> <p>Blue Shirt Day: Bullying Prevention Two Hour and Forty-five Minute early dismissal System—Wide BOOK FAIR Market Day Pick-Up: 6:00—7:00 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 SGA—EB: 3:20—4:15 pm Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:00 pm Fleegor Help 7: 3:30—4:30 pm BOOK FAIR</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Volunteer Training: 9:00 am BOOK FAIR</p>	<p>6</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 CORE Band: 10:15—11:00 am Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:00 pm TLC: 3:30—4:15 pm Fleegor Help 8: 3:30—4:30 pm Interims Distributed BOOK FAIR</p>	<p>7</p> <p> ORMS Spirit Day Wear Purple & Silver School-wide Blue Ribbon Concert 9:00—10:00 am in the Gym BOOK FAIR</p>	8
9	<p>10</p> <p>Family Night @ BOOK FAIR 5:00—8:00 pm Family Life Preview: 4:30—7:00 pm in Rm. 310 Parent Conferences: 3:30—7:30 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 AM SGA-GA: 3:20—4:15 pm Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:00 pm Fleegor Help 7: 3:30—4:30 pm TLC: 3:30—4:15 pm DRAMA AUDITIONS: 3:30—4:30 pm in the Cafeteria BOOK FAIR</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Rachel's Challenge: Day—1:30—3:00 pm Evening—7:00—9:00 pm MUSIC Percussion Ensemble: 3:20—4:15 pm DRAMA AUDITIONS: 3:30—4:30 pm in the cafeteria PM FITNESS: 3:30 - 4:30 pm BOOK FAIR</p>	<p>13</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 Algebraic Thinking Coaching Math Classes: All Day SHOW CHOIR: 3:15—4:15 pm Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:00 pm MUSIC HELP: 3:20—4:15 pm Fleegor Help 8: 3:30—4:30 am BOOK FAIR</p>	<p>14</p> <p>FLUE MIST Vaccines CCSGA: 7:45 am—2:30 pm CORE Band: 3:20—4:15 pm BOOK FAIR (last day)</p>	15
16	<p>17</p> <p>Vision & Hearing Screening: 8:40—3:00 in Rm. 150 PTA MEETING 7:00 pm Media Center</p>	<p>18</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 am Vision & Hearing Screening: 8:40—3:00 in Rm. 150 SGA-EB: 3:20—4:15 pm Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:30 pm Fleegor Help 7: 3:30—4:30 pm SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Vision & Hearing Screening: 8:40—3:00 in Rm. 150 MUSIC Percussion Ensemble: 3:20—4:15 pm PM FITNESS: 3:30—4:30 pm SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>20</p> <p>SHOW CHOIR: 3:15—4:15 pm CORE Band: 10:15—11:00 am Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:00 pm MUSIC HELP: 3:20—4:15 pm TLC: 3:30—4:15 pm SHOUT Mtg: 3:15—4:00 in Rm. 321 SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Schools Closed for Students and 10-month Staff</p>	22
23	<p>24</p> <p>8th Grade Campus: 1:30—2:30 pm Flute Ensemble: 3:20—4:15 pm SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>25</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 AM SGA-GA: 3:20—4:15 pm Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:30 pm TLC: 3:30—4:15 pm Fleegor Help 7: 3:30—4:30 pm SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>26</p> <p>CORE BAND: 9:20—10:10 MUSIC Percussion Ensemble: 3:20—4:15 pm Mentor Kick Off Party: 3:25—4:25 in the Cafeteria PM FITNESS: 3:30—4:30 pm SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>27</p> <p>FLAG FOOTBALL: 7:00—8:00 AM SHOW CHOIR: 3:15—4:15 pm Team 4 Help & Peer Tutoring: 3:30—4:00 pm MUSIC HELP: 3:20—4:15 pm Pfleegor Help 8: 3:30—4:30 pm BOOK CLUB: 3:20—4:15 SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Reptile Man—7th Grade: 1:30—3:30 pm SGA PUMPKIN CONTEST</p>	29
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