

# *J-WMS Weekly Update*

J-WMS Community,

**March 15, 2026**

This week:

- Upcoming Benchmark assessment dates
  - Math classes: March 19 except for 6<sup>th</sup> grade
  - English classes: March 23
  - Math – 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes: March 24
  
- Preseason workout dates added for Track and Field (J-WMS Athletics below)

## **NHS Project**

We are supporting CCHS students with their NHS projects. This week's drive is for the animals of Clarke Co. Donations may include: cat food, dog food, cat litter, blankets, beds, toys, collars, etc. Please [see this linked flyer](#) for more details.

## **Shoe Drive**

The Clarke County High School Environmental Club is excited to announce a partnership with Funds2Orgs for a community-wide shoe drive fundraiser running from February 23 through April 23.

Funds raised will be determined by the total weight of gently worn, used, and new shoes collected. Proceeds will directly support the Environmental Club's efforts, including park cleanups and

school-based environmental projects that benefit our entire community.

[Funds2Orgs](#) provides a responsible way to donate shoes. The organization connects collected shoes to micro-entrepreneurs in developing nations, helping to spark economic growth and create small business opportunities around the world.

We need your help to make this fundraiser a success! Please consider donating gently worn, used, or new shoes that are clean, in good condition, and still wearable. All types and sizes of shoes are welcome. (We kindly ask that shoes with soles falling off, broken heels or parts, or that are no longer wearable not be donated.)

Donations may be dropped off at any of the following locations:

- Clarke County High School (CCHS)
- Johnson-Williams Middle School (JWMS)
- D.G. Cooley Elementary School
- Boyce Elementary School

Thank you for supporting the Clarke County High School Environmental Club and helping us make a positive impact in our community and beyond!

#### Yearbook Information

To order online: go to [yearbookforever.com](http://yearbookforever.com)

To pay with cash or check in the main office, locate the form to print on JWMS website

8th Grade Tribute Forms went home with students last week! Deadline to submit 8<sup>th</sup> grade tributes is March 26. All questions regarding yearbook

### J-WMS Athletics

#### Boys Basketball:

Game Schedule (home games highlighted):

**3 – 17: Skyline MS @ J-WMS**

3 – 19: J-WMS @ Daniel Morgan

3 – 24: NVJL Semifinals

3 – 26: NVJL Finals at Skyline Middle School

#### Spring Track and Field

Preseason workouts:

March 16, 18, 23, 25: 3:30-4:30 after school on the track.

April 7 – first day of practice after school. Track and Field does not do tryouts. Students are to attend the first practice if interested in joining the team.

#### Athletic Registration

Visit [clarkeathletics.org](http://clarkeathletics.org) and click on Activity Registration to complete the registration for JWMS/CCHS sports if you have not done so already.

\*\*\*We will NOT be accepting paper copies of physicals or any Athletics paperwork\*\*\*

-If the physical is dated before 07/01/2025, you will need to upload one file containing all 4 pages of the VHSL physical form that has been signed and dated by a doctor.

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Physicals are valid for 14 months from the date the doctor signed it.

### **Calendar Dates**

March 25: End of Q3

March 27: No school students / Teacher Workday

March 30-April 6: Spring Break

April 7: Student return to school

April 8: Q3 Student Recognition Night (Cornerstone Awards and Honor Rolls)

April 10: Q3 Reports sent to parents/guardians

April 10: Spring CEO Reward (Skate Rink)

April 10: Main Street Orchestra (student assembly)

### ***October 26, 2025***

#### **Assistance for Breakfast and Lunch**

Households may apply for free or reduced-price meals at any time during the school year. If a household is not eligible now but has a change, such as a decrease in household income, an increase in household size, becomes unemployed or qualifies for SNAP or TANF, the household should contact the school for an application or you can complete an online application found on the division's website at [www.clarke.k12.va.us](http://www.clarke.k12.va.us) or <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Application>. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact Renée Weir at [weirr@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:weirr@clarke.k12.va.us) or 540-955-6100.

## **Parent-Teacher Conferencing – Nov. 3, 2025**

The parent-teacher conferencing day will be Nov. 3, 2025 from 11:00 – 4:00 and 5:00 – 7:00. Parents are to [submit this form](#) if they want to speak with their students' teachers. Please contact the main office with questions or for assistance.

**We will close the form for submissions at close of day on Oct. 27, parents who want to request a conference will need to submit the form prior to 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 27.**

Parents will receive their conference schedule through a secure document delivery on Oct.30/31 for the November 4 conferencing day.

## **SCA Canned Food Drive**

Our Student Council will be sponsoring a food drive from Nov. 5 through Nov. 21. Donations will be accepted through your students' first period class.

## **J-WMS Staff Fall Appreciation**

The PTO is asking for donations to surprise the teachers and staff with some Halloween/fall treats on Friday October 31st.

Snack donations can be dropped off in the main office by Thursday October 30th and no later than 8am Friday October 31st.

We are looking for donations of Halloween or fall themed items - cookies, bakery treats, candy bars, individual snack bags like popcorn, chips, crackers, granola bars...anything to make this day a little sweeter for our staff. We are also looking for a few gluten free/vegan items.

We are also collecting donations of tissue boxes, hand sanitizer bottles, and cleaning wipes to help during this cold and flu season.

Thank you for your support!!

Contact Heather Beebe with any questions [beebeh@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:beebeh@clarke.k12.va.us)

## **NHS Tutoring**

CCHS students are offering tutoring for our middle school students. If you are interested in getting you student some additional help with school work please submit [this form](#).

### **Q1 Student Recognition Night**

We will be recognizing students for the first quarter academic achievements the evening of Nov. 12 at 7:00 p.m in the J-WMS auditorium. Parents who have a student being recognized will be notified via email on Nov. 4.

### **Veterans Day**

Johnson-Williams Middle School (J-WMS) is proud to announce a special initiative to honor the brave men and women of Clarke County families who have served our nation. This Veterans Day, the school will create a "**Field of Flags**" on the school grounds to visually represent and celebrate the service of our local veterans.

The entire Clarke County community is invited to participate! Community members can have a flag displayed in the "Field of Flags" in honor or memory of a family veteran.

#### **How to Participate:**

To have a flag placed for your family veteran, please complete [this short Google Form](#) submission. This form will allow you to provide the veteran's name and details of their service for inclusion in the display.

Let us join together to create a powerful tribute and honor those who have sacrificed for our freedom. The "Field of Flags" will be a moving display of gratitude for the service of Clarke County family veterans.

### **J-WMS Athletics**

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Winter Sports**—all students planning on trying out for wrestling and volleyball are required to have their athletic paperwork completed and loaded into the site listed below (Arbiter Registration) in order to participate in tryouts and practice. Students who do not have the required physical and forms will not be allowed to tryout.

J-WMS Wrestling:

- Practice began October 23.
- Students may still join the team. Practices are planned for Tues-Thurs with notices of changes on our morning announcements.

Volleyball:

- Tryouts will be November 5,6,7

### Athletic Registration

**Special Note** - you will be required to upload a single file for the physical form. (This can be a scanning app for a phone camera, most have this function built in to the camera. There are also tools available to convert pictures to pdfs and merge multiple pdf files into one for uploading available for free at [pdfcandy.com](https://pdfcandy.com)) \*\*\*We will NOT be accepting paper copies of physicals\*\*\*

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Thank you,

Clarke Football Boosters

### [Arbiter Registration](#)

### **Calendar Dates**

October 27: Teacher Workday

November 3: Parent Teacher Conferences (11:00-4:00 and 5:00-7:00)

November 4: Teacher Workday

November 7: Q1 Reports Cards (email delivery to parents/guardians)

November 11: Veterans Day (J-WMS event begins at 8:30 a.m.)

November 11,12: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Blandy Field Trip

November 12: Q1 Student Recognition Night at J-WMS auditorium (7:00 p.m.)

November 26-28: Thanksgiving Holiday

December 5: Q2 Progress reports (email delivery to parents/guardians)

December 8: Winter Choir Concert – 6:00 p.m. (auditorium)

December 12: Winter Band Concert – 6:00 p.m. (auditorium)

December 22: Winter Break begins

## ***September 21, 2025***

### **Q1 Progress Reports**

As we have reached the half way point of the first quarter, parents were sent their student's progress reports in a secure document delivery email on Friday at 4:00 p.m. You have to enter your student's lunch number to access the progress report.

### **Class Fees**

A reminder to all parents/guardians that class fees have been assessed in PowerSchool. Payment can be made through MySchoolBucks.

### **STUDENTS' FOOD AND DRINKS**

A couple of reminders for parents:

- Please refrain from packing student lunch items in glass containers.
- Energy drinks are not permitted at the middle school as they contain upwards of 200mg of caffeine.

### **Parent Volunteers / Chaperones**

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D.C. If you plan on chaperoning or volunteering at CCPS, please [submit this form](#) to be on the approved volunteer list.

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October 2: WOW (World of Work) Field Trip (8th graders)

October 8: FFA meeting

October 17: Makeup day for School pictures

October 23: Q1 Benchmark Assessments (English classes)

October 24: Q1 Benchmark Assessments (Math classes)

October 24: End of First Quarter

October 24: Fall CEO Reward (Open gym and pizza)

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## ***September 14, 2025***

### **September - Attendance Awareness Month**

Regular school attendance is more important than ever for a student's success and well-being. Getting into the habit of being at school every day from the start helps to:

- **Reduce stress** by preventing students from falling behind on their work.
- Make it **easier to connect with friends and teachers**, building a strong support network.
- Directly **support learning** by ensuring students don't miss key lessons and can build on their knowledge consistently.

As of Friday, students have had 18 days of school. Students who have missed more than two days are considered **chronically absent**, as their absenteeism rate is over 10%. While it's still early in the school year, every day is important when you consider the course of a 180-day school year. Please call us if you need help with attendance.

[On Track Attendance](#)

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September 19: Q1 Progress Reports (secure document delivery to parents)

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## ***September 7, 2025***

### **Classroom Instruction**

Thank you to our parents who attended the parent information night on our evidence based instructional practices. The presentation shared with parents is linked below for those who are unable to attend.

Parents seeking more information may request a binder explaining the instructional practices with resources for supporting your child in reading and math skills at home. Please contact the main office if you would like us to send one home.

[Parent Night / Evidence Based Interventions in English and Math classrooms](#)

### **SCHOOL PICTURES**

#### **School Picture Day is Coming!**

**Date:** Friday, September 12, 2025

**Pictures Available:** Approximately two weeks after photo day

**Questions about Ordering?** Email us at [underclass@vosphoto.com](mailto:underclass@vosphoto.com)

## **September is Attendance Awareness Month**

Please review the attachment regarding the importance of school attendance for middle school students.

### [On Track Attendance](#)

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## **Library News**

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October 2: WOW (World of Work) Field Trip (8th graders)

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***August 31, 2025***

### **Parent Info Night**

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### **Important Dates**

September 1: Labor Day (no school)

September 4: Parent Info Night (EBIs - Strategies in English and Math) (6:30-7:30)

September 5: Jersey Day – wear your favorite football team jersey

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### ***August 24, 2025***

### **Back to School Night**

We will have our Back to School Night on August 26 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Parents will attend shortened class periods replicating their student's schedule. First period begins promptly at 6:30 with parents checking their student's locker during the Advisory class period.

### **iReady Diagnostics**

Delivery dates:

Math iReady – Tuesday, August 26 (two hour delay bell schedule)

Reading iReady – Wednesday, August 27 (two hour delay bell schedule)

Students will take the diagnostic assessments from 8:00 a.m.– 10:00 a.m. and begin classes on the two hour delay bell schedule.

Please remind your student to charge their Chromebook each evening so they are prepared for the assessments.

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Friday, Aug 29: Fall Athletic Pictures 3:30 / J-WMS Gymnasium

Friday, Aug 29: Fall Sports Parent Meeting 5:00 / J-WMS Cafeteria

Tuesday, Sept 2: Girls Basketball away at James Wood M.S.

Wednesday, Sept 3: Cross country away at Admiral Byrd M.S.

## ***Beginning of School / August 16, 2025***

### **Orientation**

Orientation for all grades will be August 18.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: August 18 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Please plan to drop off your child by 8:50 a.m. and return for a parent meeting at 10:30 a.m. Students will get their schedules/Chromebook, prepare their lockers and engage in activities throughout the two hours. The 10:30 a.m. parent meeting will be in the auditorium with parents meeting up with their child at 11:00 a.m. to set up lockers and prepare for the first day of school on Tuesday, August 19.

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Schedule/Chromebook pickup and Building walk is from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. on Monday, August 18.

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### **Key Dates for the start of the 25-26 School Year**

August 19: First Day of School

August 26: Back to School Night (6:30 - 8:00)

September 1: Labor Day (no school)

September 4: Parent Info Night (EBIs - Strategies in Eng and Math) (6:30-7:30)

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[25-26 CCPS School Calendar](#)

## ***Summer Update / August 5, 2025***

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### **Cell Phone Policy—CCPS (updated)**

Recent changes in Virginia law require updates to our division cell phone policy. Under the new legislation, all Virginia schools must be "cell phone free" for grades PK-12 from "bell to bell" - meaning from the first bell of the school day until dismissal. To comply with these requirements, our School Board recently passed a new Cell Phone Policy and Cell Phone Regulation. We encourage you to read the attached policy and regulation for full details.

[Cell Phone Policy](#)

[Cell Phone Regulation](#)

### **J-WMS Dress Code**

Students are welcome to choose school-appropriate outfits with the following limitations and guidelines:

- All clothing shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments and ensure that the chest, torso, midriff, behind and armpits are adequately covered at all times.
- Pants, skirts, bottoms must fit snugly at the waist and be near fingertip length when arms are extended. Belts, if worn, shall be through the loops and not hang-down.
- Any tears, rips, cuts, and/or see-through material on bottoms/pants should be below the student's fingertips when arms are extended.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. Athletic shoes shall be worn for PE.
- Accessories must be safe and non-suggestive.

Students may NOT wear any of the following during the school day:

- Clothing that does not represent our commitment to respect, acceptance and inclusion
- Clothing that references drugs, alcohol, weapons, violence, sex, gang activity, racism, bigotry, vandalism, or vulgar language.
- Hats or hoods while in the building
- Accessories should not disrupt the learning environment. Please refrain from wearing spikes, chains, dog collars, and gloves in the building
- Pajamas, blankets, slippers or other sleepwear

If students are not dressed appropriately, the steps that we take are as follows:

- Students are asked by a staff member to adhere to the dress code and may be referred to an administrator
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## [25-26 CCPS School Calendar](#)

### ***Summer Update / July 25, 2025***

## **Immunizations**

A reminder to parents of 7th graders that the required immunizations are to be completed prior to the start of school. Please reach out to [Ms. Bosley](#) if you have any questions.

## **Meal Prices**

News from the district regarding meal prices for the 25-26 school year:

Student Breakfast - \$1.90

Elementary Lunch - \$3.25

Middle and High School Lunch - \$3.50

## **Summer Tours**

School tours will be available on July 28 and July 30. We are offering two tour times each day beginning at 10:00 and 2:00. Please contact the main office to sign up for a tour of the school.

## **Orientation**

Orientation for all grades will be August 18.

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***Update, Feb. 2, 2025***

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Last Name A - L, Mrs. Chanda Feathers [feathersc@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:feathersc@clarke.k12.va.us)

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## ***Update Nov 17, 2024***

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Our book fair will be held this week, November 18-22, in the J-WMS Library. Students can shop before school, during advisory, and after school. English classes will be visiting as well. Our family night will be Wednesday, November 20, from 5:30-8:00 PM. If you want to set up an e-Wallet, a virtual gift card for your child, [click here](#). See you at the fair!

Please review the letter attached:

[Book Fair Principal's Letter](#)

### **Holiday Assistance**

Dear parents/guardians,

With the holidays approaching, schools often come together as a supportive community to serve families that may benefit from assistance. This year we are working together to provide Holiday Gift Assistance to students at Johnson-Williams Middle School.

If you would like to be considered to receive holiday assistance for your family please fill out the attached form and return it to Mrs. Feathers before 11/06/2024.

[Holiday Assistance](#)      [Holiday Assistance - Spanish](#)

I have also attached the Holiday assistance information for the Department of Social Services Angel Tree program.

[Angel Tree Child - DSS](#)      [Angel Tree Senior - DSS](#)

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A reminder about student device care:

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Please take a moment and review the Student Chromebook Guide giving specific attention to the [Acceptable Use Guidelines](#) (section 7).

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We also have Tie-Dye J-WMS Athletic shirts available in sizes Small, Medium and Large for \$20.00 a shirt.

[Spirit Wear Order Form](#)

## **Fall Athletics**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade girls are eligible to tryout for the CCHS girls' basketball team.

### 2024 - 2025 J-WMS Winter Athletics

J-WMS Fall athletics for the 2024-2025 school year will begin August 12, 2024. Each Sports tryout, workout, and the coaches contact information is listed below. Please contact the head coach with sport specific questions, Contact Mr. Kidrick with general athletic questions.

All Athletes trying out / participating in J-WMS athletics during the 2024-2025 school year must have a VHSL physical dated after May 1, 2024. All J-WMS athletic paperwork can be completed online at [clarkeathletics.org](http://clarkeathletics.org). Please click on "register athlete" at the top of the page and complete the process. Team rules and uniform deposit forms will be given to the participating athlete to return to the coach.

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- Picture day 11/15/24 starting at 3:30 PM - Wrestling and Volleyball
- Picture day 1/31/25 starting at 3:30 PM Boys Basketball and Cheer

### **Clarke Athletic Online Registration**

Announcing the new Clarke County Athletics Online Registration is now live

<https://clarke-ar.schooltoday.com/>

- Click the CC logo that says Clarke County Activity & Athletics Registration
- If you are visiting for the first time (most of us this summer) click the Create New Account button under New Users ○ If you have created an account previously click Login to my Account under Returning Users
- Once you have created an account or logged in you can begin to enter the information for your child (or children).
- There are detailed instructions with most questions, and required questions are labeled ○ Please pay attention to special instructions with several required questions as to what to fill in if you need to leave it blank
- Special Note - you will be required to upload a scan (this can be a scanning app for a phone camera, most have this function built in to the camera) of all 4 pages of the VHSL physical form that has been signed and dated by a doctor. ○ \*\*\*If you participated in the school physical day in May and we collected your physical form please upload a scan/picture of a full page note saying "Got physical at CCHS in May" and we will cross check with the physicals we will put in the computer on our end.

If you have any questions/concerns please email Casey Childs, AD ([childsc@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:childsc@clarke.k12.va.us)) or Jon Novick Asst. AD ([novickj@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:novickj@clarke.k12.va.us)). Unfortunately, both Coach Childs and Coach

Novick will be on vacation 7/8-7/14 and will be unable to answer your questions immediately. We will get back to you on the 7/15 in the order the questions are received. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Sincerely, Clarke County Athletics

**Important Dates:**

Nov. 18-22: J-WMS Book Fair (Family Night is Nov 20 from 5:30-8:00 p.m.)

Nov. 20: Q1 Student Recognition Night (6:30 p.m.)

Nov. 27-29: Thanksgiving Break (No school students)

***Update, Sept. 2, 2024***

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**Lockdown Drills**

Our first Lockdown Drill will be the week of September 9. Per Virginia Code parent are to be notified in advance of this type of drill. Our second Lockdown Drill will be the week of Nov. 18.

\*VA CODE 22.1-137.2

A. Every public school shall provide the parents of enrolled students with at least 24 hours notice before the school conducts any lock-down drills. Nothing in this section requires such notice to include exact date and time of the lockdown drill.

### **Spirit Wear**

Please show your J-WMS Cougars School Spirit and wear some spirit wear. Completed order forms can be delivered to Mrs. Dalton in the main office with cash or check. If items aren't in stock we will order your items in a 2 week period.

We also have Tie-Dye J-WMS Athletic shirts available in sizes Small, Medium and Large for \$20.00 a shirt.

Thanks for supporting J-WMS!

[Spirit Wear Order Form](#)

### **Course Fees**

Student Course fees will be assessed starting September 4 through myschoolbucks. Parents will receive a Student Account Invoice via email and instructions for payment will be located on the invoice. You have the option to pay the fees with a credit card online using myschoolbucks or send in the payment cash or check with the student to the main office at J-WMS.

Thank you in advance for your prompt response to student invoices.

## **School Pictures**

Date: Thursday, September 12, 2024

Pictures Available: Approximately two weeks after photo day

Pre-order Online: <https://vando.imagequix.com/g1001134345#login>

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## ***Update August 25, 2024***

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***Update August 11, 2024***

**Summer Fun**

We will be creating a display that will show what activities and places our students engaged this past summer. If you would like to share a fun picture of your child on a summer "fun time" please email that to Ms. Rivera.

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### ***Update July 14, 2024***

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***Update June 2, 2024***

**SOL Testing – Week of May 27**

We will administer makeup and retake SOLs this week following the schedule here:

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TEST</b>
Mon, June 3	MATH - ALL GRADES - RETAKES
Tues, June 4	CIVICS 8 RETAKES
Wed, June 5	SCIENCE 8 RETAKES

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bell Ringing Ceremony**

Parents are welcome to attend the bell ringing ceremony. Please gather in the back parking lot as all 8<sup>th</sup> graders will proceed through the bell tower to ring the bell for the ceremony.

The Bell Ringing Ceremony will take place the morning of June 7 at approximately 9:15. All 8<sup>th</sup> graders will ring the bell in the bell tower to mark the end of their middle school years as they move on to CCHS. The bell ringing will precede our field day activities for the entire school.

### **Medication Pick up**

Please remember to pick up your child's medication by the last day of school (Friday, June 7). We are required to discard any medication left in the clinic at the closing of the final day of school.

Students may not carry their own medication on the bus, or as a walker.

An adult must come to the clinic and sign for the medication.

Please contact Ms. Bosley if you have any questions.

### **Field Day**

With the predicted weather for field day, we are asking parents for donations to help keep our students hydrated. Bottled water and juice boxes can be dropped off in the main office this week for our field day on the last day of school (June 7).

### **Student Fees**

We are closing out the year and some new fees for missing and damaged items have been added to student accounts. Please check your child's status.

### **Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Graders**

**Vaccination clinic will take place on June 11 from 8:00 – 12:00 at Clarke County High School.**

The 2020 Virginia General Assembly passed a law which requires all rising 7th grade students to have a tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) booster shot and a Meningococcal (MenACWY) vaccine prior to entry into 7th grade!

Please forward copies of completed immunizations to Michelle Bosley RN (Nurse, J-WMS)

### **Upcoming Dates/Events**

June 7: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bell Ringing Ceremony (approx. 9:15 a.m.)

June 7: J-WMS Field Day / Last Day of School

### ***Update May 5, 2024***

#### **SOL Testing – Week of May 6**

Thursday, May 9: All grades will take the Reading SOL

Friday, May 10: 8<sup>th</sup> grade only will take the Integrated Reading and Writing SOL

Please ensure your child gets a good night sleep and has their Chromebook charged for testing each day.

#### **Spring Concert Dates**

Chorus Concert: Tuesday May 14th at 7:00 p.m. (J-WMS Auditorium)

Band Concert: Friday May 17th at 7:00 p.m. (J-WMS Auditorium)

#### **Student Accounts**

Reminder to all parents,

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### **SOL Testing Calendar**

Our SOL testing schedule is finalized with the below testing dates. Please use the below dates as guidance when scheduling appointments and ensuring your child gets a good night's rest and is prepared for state testing.

- May 9: Reading All Grades (6-8)
- May 10: Integrated Reading and Writing (Grade 8 only)
- May 21: Civics (Grade 8 only)
- May 22: Science (Grade 8 only)
- May 23: Math All Grades (6-8)
- May 28-31: Makeup Testing (All Grades)

If you do not wish for your child to participate in the SOL testing please [complete this form](#).

### **8th grade Semi-Formal**

Please take a look at our sign-up genius to see how you can support the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. Snacks, drinks and volunteers are still needed.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4AAAA822A3FFC25-49455209-jwms>

Ticket Sales: available for purchase this week as communicated through our morning announcements.

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*Update: April 21, 2024*

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*Update: March 24, 2024*

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Starts 4/8

Workouts beginning 3/19 Tues & Thurs. 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

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Mon. - Thurs. Boys: 3:45 PM Girls 5:00 PM

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=c\\_6ff04c6b0ccc6e835d3b2e37bbab17391dfa4f203ff87b5d53e6ca7ed64b9691%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew\\_York](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=c_6ff04c6b0ccc6e835d3b2e37bbab17391dfa4f203ff87b5d53e6ca7ed64b9691%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York)

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Coach Dave Jarvis ([jarvisd@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:jarvisd@clarke.k12.va.us))

CCHS Sports Physical day 5- 11 (\$10) - 8 AM - 12:00

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March 29: No School students and teachers

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*Update: March 3, 2024*

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Mon. - Thurs. Boys: 3:45 PM Girls 5:00 PM

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=c\\_6ff04c6b0ccc6e835d3b2e37bbab17391dfa4f203ff87b5d53e6ca7ed64b9691%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew\\_York](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=c_6ff04c6b0ccc6e835d3b2e37bbab17391dfa4f203ff87b5d53e6ca7ed64b9691%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York)

Coach Dave Jarvis ([jarvisd@clarke.k12.va.us](mailto:jarvisd@clarke.k12.va.us))

**CCHS Sports Physical day 5- 11 (\$10) - 8 AM - 12:00**

### Upcoming Dates/Events

March 8: AG Field Trip to DG Cooley

March 12: Daylight Savings Time starts

March 21: AG Reading day at Boyce Elem

March 21: End of Third Quarter

March 22: FFA Area Rally at Laurel Ridge

March 20: No School Students and Teachers

April 1-5: Spring Break

*Update: Feb. 25, 2024*

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Picture**

We will do the 8<sup>th</sup> grade picture for the yearbook on Feb. 29.

### **Cougar Memorabilia**

Cards, postcards and stickers for sale with proceeds going to the Yearbook club. Items will be available at sporting events and in the main office.

### **Student Devices**

Students are violating the CCPS acceptable use agreement when they install and use workarounds to avoid being monitored on Securly. If a student is not visible in the teacher's view of their class, students will have their device taken for 1-3 days for the violation of acceptable use. Repeat violations will result in long term removal of the student's device. Paper copies of assignments will be provided for students on the days they will not be allowed to have their device.

### **Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders**

Dear Parents of Rising Freshman and Sophomores,

Please see the attached form [2024 PE Summer School \(1\).pdf](#) if you are interested in having your child participate in summer school PE for this summer. Please note that the deadline for summer school is **Friday, March 1, 2024**.

Please see the form for important information such as required days and hours if your child will be participating in summer school.

### **Recycling**

Please continue to drop off your plastic bag recycling at the front of the school. For the past few years we have earned first place in our region and recently were informed we have dropped from first place. We are approximately 500 pounds behind the leading school.

### **Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Graders**

Vaccinations for Rising 7th Graders!

The 2020 Virginia General Assembly passed a law which requires all rising 7th grade students to have a tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) booster shot and a Meningococcal (MenACWY) vaccine prior to entry into 7th grade!

Please forward copies of completed immunizations to Michelle Bosley RN (Nurse, J-WMS)

### **Yearbooks**

If you would like to order your child's yearbook, please see the order form below. Paper forms can be returned to school or you can order online on the website provided on the form.

[Yearbook Order Form](#)

### **Student Devices – CCPS Issued Chromebooks**

A reminder about student device care:

Please do not place stickers on the inside of the device. As well, sharpies and paint on the exterior of the Chromebook will result in damage fees.

Please take a moment and review the Student Chromebook Guide giving specific attention to the [Acceptable Use Guidelines](#) (section 7).

Students who continue to divert the CCPS monitoring software will lose device privileges based on the incident. We have seen an increase in students accessing noneducational sites and configuring their devices to be "hidden" from teacher monitoring software during class time.

## **Attendance Procedures**

Absences and makeup work: students have one day to make up work from absences for every day they are absent. If a student is sick for 3 days, they have 3 days to complete the assignments that took place during their absence.

With the new CCPS attendance procedures, please complete [this form](#) and submit to J-WMS administration if you have a planned absence. Not all planned absences will be excused.

Expect to receive an attendance letter from J-WMS administration when your child reaches the following thresholds:

- 8 days cumulative absences
- 10 days cumulative absences (meeting requested with parent and child)
- 5 days unexcused absences (meeting requested with parent and child)

## **J-WMS Cheer Fundraiser**

Please visit the below link to support our Cheer team. As well, flyers are available in the main office and the items will also be available at the boys' basketball games.

<http://www.countrymeats.com/fundraiser/johnson-williams-middle-winter-cheer>

## **J-WMS Athletics**

Boys basketball

2/27 Daniel Morgan @ J-WMS

2/29 J-WMS @ Warren Co.

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March 1: No School Student / CCPS Workday

