

Central Middle School

NEWSLETTER

May 2025



Main Office **651-653-2888**
Health Office **651-653-2758**

Attendance Office **651-653-2889**
Attendance Hotline **651-653-2880**

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Central Upcoming Events

April 30th & May 1st MCA Science Tests, Grade 8

May 6th: 6th & 7th Grade Orchestra Concert, 7:00

May 8th: 8th grade Band & Orchestra Concert, 7:00

May 7th-9th: Book Fair

May 13th: 6th & 7th Grade Band Concert, 7:00

May 14th: Orchestra Jam, 6:30, Aldrich Arena

May 15th: CMS Family Fun Night, 5:30-7:30

May 20th: Grade 6 Choir Concert, 6:30

May 20th: Grades 7 & 8 Choir Concert, 8:00

May 26th: No School, Memorial Day

June 6th: Last Day of School

Spring Student Tips for Success:

The following are good reminders to review with your student this spring:

- ***Be on-time to class.*** If something is preventing this, talk with a teacher, counselor, or principal so we can help you to problem solve.
- ***Ask questions.*** If you have a question, someone else probably has the same question. This will help teachers to help you!
- ***Participate in class.*** When you talk about and share ideas, you are more likely to remember what is learned.
- ***Formative assessments, classwork and homework are important.*** Formative assessments, homework and classwork are what help you to learn so you can be successful on summative assessments.

- **Complete work on-time.** Completing work on-time results in more learning, less stress, and allows you to participate and be curious in class.
- **Advocate for yourself.** If you need something, ask. The adults at Central want to help students. Knowing what you need helps us to help you!

CMS Family Fun Night:

Join Us for Family Fun Night!

Let's celebrate an amazing year together! Bring the whole family to our Family Fun Night featuring food trucks, bounce houses, and games for all ages. It's the perfect way to celebrate our learning with friends, fun, and good food!

We are looking for volunteers to help run the games in 1-hour shifts. If you can help, please sign up using [THIS](#) link. Thank you for making this event a success — we can't wait to see you there!

Teacher Appreciation Donations:

- Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5th-9th.
- If you would like to help make Teacher Appreciation Week special for our Central teachers please donate through your [Smartschoolk12 account](#). Once you have logged into Smartschool, click on the green schoolhouse and then Central.
- If you would prefer to drop off cash, check, or other items please contact Alison Boeke (alison.boeke@isd624.org) in the Main Office.
- Thank you and we appreciate your continued support!

End of Year Reminders, Encourage Your Student to:

- Return books to the Media Center
- Clean out their locker
- Report broken/damaged Chromebook needs
- Leave body sprays, perfumes, and other aerosol products at home
- Finish the year strong, stay focused on academics and doing your best.

Bullying and Social Media Resources:

We continue to work with students to understand the impact of their language and actions, and to learn from their mistakes. The following are some resources that may be helpful to families in speaking with children about conflicts and social media. Please reach out to us if you have specific concerns about your child's experience. We want to partner with you!

- Check out these sites for information for families:
<https://www.stopbullying.gov/bullying/roles-kids-play>
<https://www.stopbullying.gov/resources/how-to-talk-about-bullying>
- [Social Media Tips for Families](#)

Attendance Tips:

It is our goal at Central Middle School to partner with families to improve your child's attendance and academic success here at school. Missing 10% (2 days a month) of school, whether excused or unexcused, can drastically affect a teen's academic success.

Below are a few ways families can support your student's school success:

- Check in regularly about your student's academic progress (ParentVUE or StudentVUE)
- Provide doctor's notes every time a student must miss school for appointments or other medical reasons.
- Send your student to school as long as it is 24 hours after vomiting, fever, or diarrhea.
- Contact the school if you need help supporting your student's attendance. We can work in partnership to create a plan that best supports your student.

Health Office Update:

Reminder to incoming 7th graders and their families:

- We have two required immunizations for 7th Grade: Tdap booster and Meningococcal.
- Please get them over the summer if you haven't already gotten them.

Medications:

- Emergency medications and as needed medications will be sent home with students on Thursday, June 5th.
- Students are encouraged to carry emergency medications in their backpacks at school, or in a fanny pack at Valleyfair, on Friday, June 6th.
- All daily medications will be sent home with students on Friday, June 6th, unless you connect with the health office for an alternate plan.
- Please call the health office with any questions: 651-653-2758.

Summer Activities:

Still looking for things for your student to get involved with over the summer? Check out the [WBL Community Services Youth Enrichment Activities](#) or the [Star Tribune Summer Camp Guide](#)

Resources for Families:

The White Bear Food Shelf is open Access, no appointment required.

No boundaries and folks can come as many times as they need.

Two options

- Curbside - Fill out form with preferences, boxes with food is brought to car: 1884 Whitaker St, White Bear Lake
- Community Market - In person shopping: 2446 County Rd F, White Bear Lake

Hugo Good Neighbors Food Shelf

15106 Francesca Ave. N. Hugo, MN 55038 (651-528-6224)

Today's Harvest

Today's Harvest is a free market that provides fresh produce, meat, dairy, and bakery items we rescue each day from local grocery stores, farms, and other partners.

- All addresses welcome.
- No appointment or registration required.
- Provides food for 1-2 days.
- You are welcome to shop at Today's Harvest as often as you need – even daily.

Shopping Hours: Monday-Friday 12:00 pm to 6pm; Saturday 10:00am to 1:00pm

Two locations: 8264 4th Street North, Oakdale; 1740 Van Dyke St, Maplewood

Family Values for Life, **Family Values** for Life has a food shelf available to the public. Tuesdays 3-6PM, Saturday 9AM-12PM. 1280 Arcade St. Paul MN - 651-774-6663

Free summer meals will be offered at the following dates and locations:

- Area Learning Center (M-F) June 9 - June 27
- Birch Lake (M-F) June 12 - June 30
- Lincoln (M-Th) June 16 - Aug 7
- WBLAHS (M-Th) June 16 - July 31
- Willow (M-F) June 30 - Aug 8
- *No meal programs on June 19
- Meal times have not been decided yet. Watch the Community Newsletter for more information in the next few weeks.

A few things to remember:

- Meals are free to all kids 18 and younger
- No cost/No enrollment
- Meals must be consumed on-site

Transportation

If you have questions regarding transportation, please contact the Transportation Office at 651-407-7538.

Technology and Chromebooks

For questions about Chromebooks or help with Skyward, contact the WBL Technology Department at parenttechhelp@isd624.org, call 651-407-7637.

SmartSchoolK12

Online payments are now being processed through our platform SmartSchoolK12!

- Meals
- Field Trips
- Middle School & High School athletics registration

To login to SmartSchoolK12 go to the “[Online Payment](#)” link on the district's website. Select the link to “Submit Payments for Lunch & School Activities” and enter your Skyward Family Access username and password (no new login account required). Click [here](#) for directions to login and make lunch payments.

If you have any issues or questions, contact technology department:

- Email: parenttechhelp@isd624.org Phone: 651-653-2600, ext 7637

If you have questions about meal accounts or for a paper application, please contact Nutrition Services via:

- Email: nutritionservices@isd624.org Phone: 651-407-7515

Where to Find More Information

[WBLAS Web Page](#)

[Central Middle School Web Page](#)

Daily Announcements: daily announcements are shared with families each day via email. In addition, announcements are read, reviewed, and emailed to students each day.

Skyward: Skyward has information regarding attendance, transportation, and grades.

Google Classroom: During the school-year, Google classroom has information about specific courses, including: a week at glance, daily activities/assignments, class announcements, assignment submissions, teacher contact information, etc. Teachers will send a Guardian Summaries invitation email to families in the fall.

[WBLAS Community E-newsletter](#): information about the Fall 21 return to school can be found here. In addition, you can sign up to receive the e-newsletter at this site.

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ATENCIÓN: Si usted necesita hablar con una persona que hable Español, por favor, llame al (651) 407-7625.