

## Creswell Middle School

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Dear CMS Student/Family,

Welcome CMS Tigers to the 2025-2026 school year! Teachers and school staff have been preparing to provide your student with a strong academic program that includes structure, rigor, and fun. This year our schedule has changed slightly, which means students will be able to get more enrichment and intervention opportunities. Your student's schedule was created based on teacher input, last year's test scores, parent input (from the Google Form you submitted in the Spring) and student input (also from the Google Form). Students will get their individual schedules at Back to School Night on August 27, 2025 (those not in attendance will get in their homeroom on the first day of school). Class schedules will be posted in Synergy by September 2 as well.

Below you will find tasks and forms that need to be completed by students and families, as well as important dates and information as we prepare for the school year.

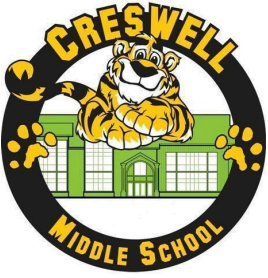
### TO DO:

- ☐ **All new and returning parents/guardians register your CMS student in Synergy. Go to the District Website <https://creswell.k12.or.us/> and all of the instructions will be posted.**
- ☐ **Make sure parents/guardians have a ParentSquare account and download the app if you have a Smart Phone.** ParentSquare is a communications platform used to keep parents and guardians informed and connected to our schools. You can self enroll using the link: <https://parentsquare.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/115005259266-Register-for-ParentSquare-from-the-App#tap-continue-0-2> You can download the app now and check out the "Getting Started" video at [Parents—Getting StartedVideo](#) Have questions? [Visit our website](#) for additional info.
- ☐ **Parents/guardians and their CMS student(s) attend Back to School Night at Creswell Middle on August 27 5:15-7:30 PM.** All attendees will check in at the table outside of the CMS cafeteria where they will receive their student's schedule as well as a rotation schedule for this evening (which is also below). If you can not attend, don't worry! Your student will be taught all of the procedures on the first day of school that they need to be successful and information will be sent to parents/guardians about the upcoming year from individual teachers in Parent Square and posted in Google Classroom. Back to School Night starts promptly at 5:15 PM and ends at 7:30 PM. Bells will signal when you transition to other areas.

### Back to School Night Schedule:

5:15-5:30 PM Parents/Guardians get their student's schedule at "Welcome Tables" (lines based on student's last name). You will follow the Regular Day (M, T, Th, Friday) schedule during Back to School Night. If you have time, please feel free to help your student find and open their locker. Locker numbers and combinations are on the top of your student's schedule, so please don't set this document down.

- 5:30-5:40 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 1
- 5:45-5:55 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 2



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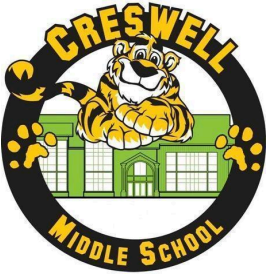
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- 6:00-6:10 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 3
- 6:15-6:25 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 4
- 6:30-6:40 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 5
- 6:45-6:55 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 6
- 7:00-7:10 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 7
- 7:15-7:25 PM Parents/Guardians in their student's Period 8

Back to School Night Ends at 7:30 PM promptly. If you have further questions for your student's teacher(s), please reach out to them via email or in Parent Square. If your student's schedule is incorrect, or they can't reach their locker, please fill out the appropriate form at the Welcome Table where you got their schedule this evening.

- ☐ **Read the 2025-2026 CMS Student Handbook** posted on the CMS website and sent in ParentSquare. If you need a paper copy, please contact the CMS office. **Please sign the paper form (which will be provided at Back to School Night and/or the 1st day of school) indicating that you and your student understand and will abide by the expectations. Please have your student give this signed form to their Homeroom Teacher the first week of school.**
- ☐ **Read the 2025-2026 CMS Title One Parent/Student/Staff Compact** posted on the CMS website and included in the CMS Student Handbook. If you need a paper copy, please contact the CMS office. **Please sign the form provided at Back to School Night and/or the 1st day of school (which indicates that you and your student understand and will abide by the expectations.**
- ☐ **Chromebook Checkout and Permission- Parents/Guardians review the document with your student and then sign the "Technology Agreement" provided.** Students will check out their individual Chromebooks when they begin school. As a new CMS student, students will be given a school-issued Chromebook to use for their three years (6th-8th) at CMS. During the school year, students will then be allowed to take their device home on nights they need it, by signing it out with their homeroom teacher at the end of the day. We encourage parents/guardians to get insurance on their student's device and remind students to take care of their Chromebook. We also encourage families to get a case for your student's Chromebook to carry the device between classes and protect it. Families are responsible if their student breaks/damages/loses their device. Please note that if your student has an outstanding bill for a broken/damaged device they will NOT be given another one to use until it is paid (this includes devices from former school years that were damaged unpaid). You will then be responsible for providing your student with a device. Please contact the CMS office with any questions.
- ☐ **Register for District Transportation if applicable:** If your student needs bus transportation you must register online. To ensure that you have transportation on the first day of school, register for your student's transportation **NO LATER than August 15, 2025!** *Registration may take up to 2 weeks to process.* Returning students are required to register for transportation each school year. [Register here](#) or visit our district website.
- ☐ **School Supplies-** If you need help getting supplies at home, please contact the Family Resource Center at [kdumas@creswell.k12.or.us](mailto:kdumas@creswell.k12.or.us). A list of school supplies can be found on our school website, Facebook, and is enclosed with this letter. Specific classes may also have additional supplies needed, and these will be discussed at Back to School Night.

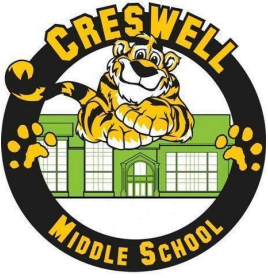


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- ☐ **Parents/Guardians of students with special services-** If your student receives special services and you have questions, please contact your student's case manager via email or contact the main office. Case Managers include Kathi Holst for Special Education and Jennifer Collins for 504 and TAG plans. If your student has medical conditions that are new or that we may not be aware of, please contact the CMS office.
- ☐ **6th Grade Student Welcome Orientation will be held on Wednesday, September 3rd from 8:20 AM to 11:00 AM.** Attendance for 6th grade students is taken on this day, so please make sure your student attends. Transportation will be provided to those students who live in the bussing zone, if parents/guardians have set up service through the Transportation Department. Transportation information can be found on our website at <http://creswell.k12.or.us/departments/transportation/>.
- ☐ **Regular classes start for all grades (6th-8th) on September 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:20 AM. Students should NOT be on campus before 8:00 AM, as we do not have supervision prior to that. We do NOT have CMS choir the first week of school, so please do not send your student until September 8th. On school days, students may enter the building from the front when doors open. School on regular days ends at 3:20 PM. Your student is not to loiter on campus before or after school and does NOT have permission to play/hang out on campus before or after school unless supervised by a coach or attending a CMS school activity with parent/guardian permission.**
- ☐ **During school, students should bring a refillable water bottle and snack for a nutrition break. We do NOT have cups in the office for student use. Please make sure your name is on your water bottle. Students may purchase snacks from the FBLA student store during nutrition break, when it is open.**
- ☐ **School pictures will be on September 8, 2025.** Picture ordering information will be sent home with your student and in Parent Square.
- ☐ **Parents/Guardians should create an account on <https://www.schoolpay.com/> and pay their student's fees online. Parents/guardians should pay their student's "Student Body Fee" and WIN/Elective Fee (Semester 1) now.** In the future you will pay sport's fees, field trip fees, instrument rental fee(s), and future WIN/elective fees on this site. Fee amounts are listed in the Student Handbook and also on SchoolPay once you create an account and choose our school. If you are unable to pay online, please contact the CMS office.
- ☐ **Register your student for CMS Sports on <https://creswell-ar.schooltoday.com>** In order to be eligible to participate in sports/leadership/FBLA/HOSA, students must have a 2.0 GPA and no Fs in any class. **Students must also submit a current physical (OSAA physical form on our website) and pay fees BEFORE they are allowed to practice. During the season, students will be responsible for submitting weekly progress reports on time (Friday by end of school day) to the CMS office (to remain eligible).** See CMS Student Handbook for more information.
- ☐ Students wishing to enroll in choir (which is held before school and we do not have transportation) should email the Registrar at [kblomberg@creswell.k12.or.us](mailto:kblomberg@creswell.k12.or.us) if it is not already on their schedule and cc the Choir Director at [etelfer@creswell.k12.or.us](mailto:etelfer@creswell.k12.or.us) the first two weeks of school to join. After that, students



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must have both the principal's and Choir Director's permission to join or to quit. Quitting during the semester will impact a student's grade.

- ❑ Students wishing to enroll in band (which is held during the school day) should email the Registrar at [kblomberg@creswell.k12.or.us](mailto:kblomberg@creswell.k12.or.us) if it is not already on their schedule and cc the Band Director at [elacey@creswell.k12.or.us](mailto:elacey@creswell.k12.or.us) the first two weeks of school to join. After that, students must have both the principal's and Choir Director's permission to join or to quit. Quitting during the semester will impact a student's grade.
- ❑ **Students wishing to have a schedule change for Semester 1, must submit a Schedule Change Request Form to Mrs. Blomberg by September 17, 2025.** After that time, we will not be making changes to a student's schedule unless they are initiated by a teacher or administrator. Please note that we do NOT make changes to schedules just because a student wants to be with a specific teacher or friend.
- ❑ **Sign "Beginning of the Year Forms & Permissions" sheets** that will be given to you at Back to School Night (or 1st day of school if you do not attend) and have your student return them to their HR teacher by September 12, 2025.
- ❑ **Once the school year starts, please read over your student's class syllabus and expectations, check ParentVue (Synergy) and Parent Square regularly, and make sure that you contact the CMS office if your student is (or will be) absent. You can leave a message for Ms. Startup on the mainline if you are calling in your student's absence. Please check your student's grades in Synergy at least once a week (we recommend Thursdays).**

We look forward to seeing your student soon! Here's to a great school year!

Sincerely, Julie Johansen, CMS Principal