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## MEETING DATES

**PTA @ 6pm**

April 15\*

May 13\*

**SAC @ 6pm**

April 10\*

May 8\*

## April At-A-Glance

April 1 - 30 - PTA Clothing Drive  
April 4 - Band & Orchestra Competition at Sea World  
April 4 - 14 - 8th grade lawn signs on sale  
April 9 - Family Tech Talk (Zoom)  
April 10 - SAC Meeting - 6pm  
April 10 - AVID trip to USF  
April 11 - Kona Ice 2:45 - 3:15pm  
April 14 - 8th Grade Dance Tickets on Sale (see below)  
April 15 - 6th Grade Zoo Field Trip  
April 15-17 - PTA Dance Tickets sold during lunch  
April 15 - PTA Meeting @ 6pm in Gym  
April 17 - PTA Spring Fling School Dance  
April 18 - NO SCHOOL for Students  
April 21 - NO SCHOOL for Students  
April 24 - 8th Grade Awards Night (INVITE ONLY)  
May 2 - Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast  
May 5-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week  
May 9 - Gradventure (8th grade only)

**APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> - APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>**

## PTA CLOTHING DRIVE

IT'S TIME TO CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS!  
DROP OFF IN THE "PHILL THE BOX" BIN

OR TO ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS ON COLLECTION

DAYS



GOAL:

10,000 IBS!!

CLOTHING, SHOES,  
BAGS/PURSES,  
LINENS(BEDSPREADS,  
TOWLES, SHEETS ETC.)  
WE TAKE IT ALL!!



Join us in celebrating  
our awesome CFMS teachers and staff!  
See Below for more information.

**Teacher Appreciation  
Week is May 5-9!**

**\*\*SEE MORE DETAILS ON PAGE 5\*\***

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Dear Families,

We have some exciting PTA events coming up! PTA will be hosting the **Spring Dance after school on Thursday, April 17th**. Tickets are on sale now online only, **in school sales will be 4/15-4/17 for \$5**. Tickets will not be sold at the door. There are a limited number of tickets available so buy one ASAP.

**PTA Clothing Drive Fundraiser** is going on **now through April 30<sup>th</sup>**. You can drop your clothes, shoes, bags and linen items off in the Blue "Phill the Box" bin located at the end of the bus circle or drop them with our volunteers on collection days in the drop off area. For ever pound donated PTA will recieve \$.20, our **school wide goal is 10,000 lbs!**

**8th grade families** - please see important information in this newsletter regarding the 8th grade dance and also the 8th grade lawn sign. **8th grade dance ticket sales will start 4/14-5/5**, and **lawn signs are being sold now through April 14th**.

Don't forget our **PTA meeting on April 15th**. We will have a professional mental health advisor talking about stress and anxiety in our teens.  
Happy April!

Sincerely,  
*Kristin Lister*  
PTA President



## MENSAJE DEL PRESIDENTE:

Queridas familias,

¡Se acercan eventos emocionantes de la PTA! La PTA celebrará el **Baile de Primavera después de clases el jueves 17 de abril**. Las entradas ya están a la venta solo en línea; **las ventas en la escuela serán del 15 al 17 de abril por \$5**. No se venderán entradas en la puerta. Hay un número limitado de entradas disponibles, así que compre una cuanto antes.

**La campaña de recolección de ropa de la PTA estará abierta hasta el 30 de abril**. Puede dejar su ropa, zapatos, bolsos y ropa de cama en el contenedor azul "Phill the Box", ubicado al final de la rotonda de autobuses, o dejarlos con nuestros voluntarios los días de recolección en el área de entrega. Por cada libra donada, la PTA recibirá \$0.20; **¡nuestra meta para toda la escuela es de 10,000 libras!**

**Familias de 8.º grado:** consulten la información importante en este boletín sobre el baile de 8.º grado y el letrero para el jardín **de 8.º grado**. **La venta de entradas para el baile de octavo grado comienza del 14/4 al 5/5**, y **los letreros para césped estarán a la venta desde ahora hasta el 14 de abril**.

No olviden nuestra **reunión de la Asociación de Padres y Maestros (PTA) el 15 de abril**. Contaremos con un asesor profesional en salud mental que hablará sobre el estrés y la ansiedad en los adolescentes.  
¡Feliz abril!

Atentamente,  
*Kristin Lister*  
Presidenta del PTA



8TH  
GRADE INFO

# MARK YOUR CALENDERS

CFMS 8TH GRADE DANCE

## LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

RUTH ECKERD HALL  
1111 MCMULLEN BOOTH RD,  
CLEARWATER

**ADMISSION \$30**  
**ON SALE 4/14 - 5/5**  
**ONLINE ONLY VIA QR CODE**  
(LOOK FOR "8TH GRADE DANCE" IN  
ONLINE STORE- TICKETS MUST BE  
PURCHASED IN ADVANCE)

**MAY 16TH 7-10 PM**

SNACKS & DRINKS WILL BE SERVED  
SEMI-FORMAL / NICE ATTIRE  
SUGGESTED



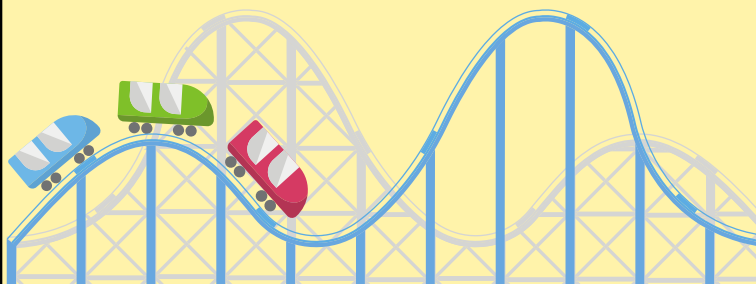
**8TH GRADE**  
**"LIGHT UP THE**  
**NIGHT"**  
**CELEBRATION**  
**MAY 16TH**  
**RUTH ECKARD**  
**HALL**

**TICKETS ON SALE**  
**APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> - MAY**

**5TH**  
**\*DRESS CODE:**  
**FORMAL\***

## GRADVENTURE is coming!

8th Grade Families: If you signed up for  
**CFMS Gradventure at**  
**Universal Studios in Orlando,**  
remember that the date is May 9th.



**ORDER  
ONLINE NOW!**

**8TH GRADERS**

Order your 8th Grade Lawn Sign  
to show your Trailblazer Pride

CLICK  
HERE

[CFMS.GIVEBACKS.COM/STORE](https://cfms.givebacks.com/store)

*Congratulations*

**\$20**

**CFMS 8TH  
GRADE**

Class of 2024

#highschooler



CLEARWATER FUNDAMENTAL  
MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Lawn Signs available for order 4/4-4/14**

**Pick up 5/1 & 5/2 from 3-5pm at CFMS  
front steps**

For all things PTA, visit [www.cfmspta.org](http://www.cfmspta.org)



CFMS  
HAPPENINGS



## HIGH ACHIEVING CFMS STUDENTS RECOGNIZED THROUGH AWARDS

Five CFMS students recently received recognition for their academic achievements through the PRIDE awards:

### The Program to Recognize Initiative and Distinction in Education (PRIDE)

Recognizing high academic achievement in five categories:

Yasir Gutierrez Llanes – Math

Will Clark – Science

Wyatt Boyle – World Languages

Luke Bache – Social Studies

Surra Jabbar – Writing



## Congratulations

Carwise Award recipients! These students have exemplified academic excellence:

Darius Joyner, Anna Brown, Kaitlynn Saunders, Yasir Gutierrez Llanes and Leila Moore

## Congratulations!

Our orchestra was **1 of 4** middle schools to receive the highest ratings in orchestra out of Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Sumter, and Marion counties with straight superiors at our Music Performance Assessment.



# NEW DROP NEW DROP NEW DROP



ORDER  
NOW

LIMITED

EDITION

ONLY  
\$25

SHOP  
NOW

SALE ENDS 4/13



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NOW



CFMS PTA INVITES YOU TO ATTEND OUR



# SPRING DANCE APRIL 17TH

3:00-4:30PM

With

DJ SIMON SAYS

PHOTO BOOTHS

DRINKS & SNACKS

TICKET \$5

CFMS.GIVEBACKS.COM/STORE  
FOR SALE IN SCHOOL: 4/15-4/17 DURING LUNCH.

VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED

SNACK DONATIONS NEEDED FOR DANCE.

WE ARE IN NEED OF INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED SNACKS, SMALL WATER BOTTLES, AND JUICE BOXES/POUCHES FOR THE STUDENTS. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DONATE PLEASE SEND ITEMS TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY 4/16/25. THANK YOU!



Snack Donations Needed by 4/16



# Donations Needed!

May 5 - 9, 2025

CLICK HERE

SIGN UP



**6th grade  
Monday 5/5**

**"STOCK THE  
TEACHERS' LOUNGE"**

**6th Grade Families!** Please contribute **individually packaged snacks and drinks** for on-the-go! Examples include K-cups, chips, nuts, granola bars, candy bars, fruit cups, hummus/guacamole/peanut butter singles, apples, oranges, bananas, muffins, flavored water...etc. **SEE SIGNUP ABOVE.** We are also asking for Gift Cards in any domination for our 6th grade Teachers and Staff. Please send gift cards in a sealed envelope labeled with student name, grade and value.

***Please send items to the front office the morning of May 5th.***

**7th grade  
Tuesday 5/6**

**"TACO TUESDAY"**

**7th Grade Families!** Please contribute items for a **taco bar!** Examples include salsa, guacamole, queso, sour cream, shredded cheese, soft tortillas, hard taco shells, bags of tortilla chips. **SEE SIGNUP ABOVE.** We are also asking for Gift Cards in any domination for our 7th grade Teachers and Staff. Please send gift cards in a sealed envelope labeled with student name, grade and value. ***Please send your items to the front office the morning of May 6th.***

**TACOS PROVIDED BY THACKER  
& MULVIHILL TRIAL ATTORNEYS**

**8th grade  
Wednesday 5/7**

**"SWEET TREATS"**

**8th Grade Families!** Please contribute a **homemade or store/restaurant bought sweet treat/dessert!** Examples include cookies, brownies, cupcakes, cakes, pies, donuts, etc. **SEE SIGNUP ABOVE.** We are also asking for Gift Cards in any domination for our 8th grade Teachers and Staff. Please send gift cards in a sealed envelope labeled with student name, grade and value.

***Please send your items to the front office the morning of May 7th.***

**TEACHERS' LUNCH PROVIDED BY  
FIRST WATCH/SHACKTON FAMILY**

**Thursday 5/8**  
**GIFT CARDS DISTRIBUTED  
TO TEACHERS & STAFF**

**Friday 5/9**  
**FOOD TRUCK LUNCH FOR  
TEACHERS & STAFF**

Dear CFMS Families: Without you ALL, this week would not be possible...Thank you for all you do for our CFMS Teachers & Staff! For questions, contact PTA Hospitality Chairs, Lauren Thacker or Estelle Valsamis, at [contactus@cfmspta.org](mailto:contactus@cfmspta.org)



# Family Tech Talk

**Learn the risks your kids face online & Internet safety tips**



This free Zoom event is presented by an Internet safety expert from Trend Micro's Internet Safety for Kids and Families Program.

## Parents will learn:

- ☐ Approaches to managing screen time for kids and teens
- ☐ App settings for age-appropriate content and monitoring online activities
- ☐ Protecting your child's privacy and security online
- ☐ The latest scams targeting kids and teens
- ☐ AI and its impact on scams
- ☐ What to do if your child falls victim to a scam

*Available in multiple languages*

DATE  
**9 April**  
Wednesday

PRESENTED BY  
**Trend Micro**  
*Internet Safety for  
Kids & Families*

TIME  
**7PM Eastern**  
**6PM Central**

Join this virtual event at:

<https://trendmicro.zoom.us/j/93849486272?pwd=ZRZ9XFcHFfW8tpx3u9q8PtzMNZDmDU.1>

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