I can’t believe how fast our 3rd quarter is already going! It is important for parents to continue to check Focus and make sure your student is turning in missed work. Parents if your student is absent, per the Code of Conduct, your student will have the same days absent to turn in their work. For instance, if your student is absent 3 days, they have 3 days once they return to turn in their work. I always say that all students should communicate with their teachers for further details.

ELMS earned Magnet Schools of America School of Distinction for 2023! To receive a national merit award, members of Magnet Schools of America must submit a detailed application that is scored by a panel of educators. These schools are judged and scored on their demonstrated ability to raise student academic achievement, promote racial and socioeconomic diversity, provide integrated curricula and instruction, and create strong family and community partnerships that enhance the school’s magnet theme.

Parents, please make sure you have looked at the May testing calendar. Please make note of the these testing and avoid making appointments on these dates. Our testing calendars is very tight for May and early final exams will not be permitted. If you have any questions regarding testing, please reach out or either Mrs. Chichester or myself.

One quick note– with Valentine’s Day on the horizon, please remember that presents, balloons and treats should be exchanged outside of school.
Student of the Month
February

6th Grade 7th Grade 8th Grade

John Gatten
Eric Bull
Manuel Kunsman

Lily Mees
Adria Sharp
Sydney Wright

Walk, Bike and Roll
Knowledge Is POWER
February 1, 2023
8AM

Walk Bike & Roll to School
Held at Calvary Christian Church
in the youth center,
(the building at the top of the hill)
1190 East Lake Road
Tarpon Springs, FL 34688

Our very own EAST LAKE FIRE RESCUE team comes to our aid again to share some important information that all students should know – a very important life skill, CPR. What do you do in a situation where you need to think fast? Come build some muscle memory with the professionals. Students will be able to practice hands on compressions on mannequins provided by ELFR and will discuss the ins and outs of being in a difficult circumstance. As always Breakfast and Good Vibes Served from 8am-8:30am...

Also, ask about ELFR Babysitting course…. Classes are available. Call ELFR for information to add name to waiting list. Hope to see you there!

Our students are called Young Ambassadors because they represent the best of American youth as they interact with Japanese dignitaries, citizens, and families. Students gain self-confidence and respect by making presentations to the mayor and other officials of Nagano. Through cultural trips to Osaka, Nara, Kyoto, Hiroshima, and Tokyo students are immersed in the history and culture of Japan. The homestay and school visits in Clearwater’s sister city, Nagano offer an opportunity to make memorable friendships and become personally involved with the language and culture of Japan.

We, as travelers, become global citizens through this trip of exploration, education, and interaction. Whether participating in a traditional Japanese tea ceremony dressed in yukata, feeding friendly deer in Nara, or navigating the busy Tokyo subway line, students learn that as citizens of the world we have an obligation to become the best.

Excursions may include:
- Kyoto
- Nara
- Hiroshima
- Tokyo
- Osaka

Homestay in:
- Nagano
  - Host family stay
  - School visits

Middle school students interested should email: csclva@gmail.com
https://www.facebook.com/Clearwatersistercities
www.clearwatersistercities.org

Young Ambassadors Program
Summer Middle School Japanese Cultural Exchange
ELMS Business & Parent Sponsorship

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