Dear families.

Our Cardinal Key this month is **OWNERSHIP** – *Take responsibility for actions. Be responsible for your thoughts, feelings, words, and actions. "Own" the choices you make and the results that follow.* All classes are working together to understand this key. How could you share this at home?

Updates:

- Picture Make-up Day: This Friday! See the attached for more <u>information</u> and this <u>order</u> form. Questions? Contact <u>Robinerker@re3j.com</u>
- Lunches: Starting this week, Santiago burrito
 lunches will be available for purchase. They will
 be offered once a week on Thursdays. The lunch
 order form was sent home with your student. More questions? Contact
 Sarahjohnson@re3j.com or Crystalbydalek@re3j.com Last day to order for this week is
 tomorrow.
- **Pumpkin Sales:** October 13th-23rd in the south parking lot. Small pumpkins \$4, Medium \$6, and Large \$9. A huge thank you to Mazzotti Farms for donating pumpkins to the 8th grade class this year!
- Huwa Beef Sales: Our 8th graders are selling <u>Huwa beef</u> packages as well. Orders are
 due Friday, October 23rd. Take a look at the <u>flyer</u> and speak to an 8th grader to order.
 Need help? Contact <u>Sarahjohnson@re3j.com</u> or an 8th grade student.
- Pumpkin Decorating contest (COVID style): There will not be any after school decorating times, but kids can decorate them at home with their families. There is no cost to participate. Kids who would like to submit a pumpkin to the contest should bring the pumpkins to the front entrance on Oct. 27th. We will have a table outside on the sidewalk for kids to set and submit their pumpkins. Pumpkins will be judged on Oct. 28th in the scariest, cutest, and most original categories. Kids should take their pumpkins home on Oct. 30th. During the week, we will display them in the front hallway by the office.
- Guess the weight of the Giant Pumpkin. This beauty was donated by the Rossi family for our middle school to use as a fundraiser. We are offering a guess the weight contest like PTO has done in the past. Students may purchase a "guess ticket" from their classroom teacher for \$1 a guess. Students/families can guess as many times as they wish. Please collect filled out tickets and I will get them from you at the end of each week. Guessing contest will go till Oct. 28th! Winner will be announced Oct. 30th.
- Cardinal Cares: We are in need of donations for families in our community experiencing hardships. If you would like to donate money, gift cards to King Soopers or Walmart are



preferred. If you have meat or other food donations, please contact Robinerker@re3j.com to set up a time to drop it off. Last year, the meat donated was so very appreciated by the families.

- Covid-19 Guiding Documents: This guidance will help us keep CCA healthy as we head into flu season. Do not bring a student back to school unless 24 hours of no symptoms with no medication have passed.
- Mill Levy Override Extension. Weld RE3j School Board voted unanimously to place
 Mill Levy Override renewal question on the ballot this November. This is not a tax
 increase, rather a continuation of the MLO passed in 2016. Please read this
 informational flyer for more information about the tax and where those funds go. CCA
 would continue to be a recipient if this passes.
- National Junior Honor Society is collecting pop tabs to support Ronald McDonald
 House through the end of the first semester. Each classroom has a location to collect the
 pop tabs. The class with the most pop tabs collected by the end of the semester will
 receive a special prize.

<u>After-School Care!</u> Check out the new webpage for <u>After School Care!</u> Please contact <u>crystalbydalek@re3j.com</u> or call the school to arrange for your child to attend.

<u>Halloween Parties:</u> We are pleased to announce we will have Halloween parties! There will be a few differences this year, but they are all to ensure your children have a fun and healthy day. Unfortunately, parents will not be allowed in the building. I am truly sorry for this, but we do not have the space. In turn, we are looking at ways to livestream or record the individual classroom costume parades for the families. The PTO will be organizing all the treats to put into individual treat bags and students will wear their costumes all day. More details to follow, but know we are doing everything we can to make this a special day for your children. Please email ccapto@re3j.com if you would like to donate to the parties.

Please let me know if you have questions about any of this information. I thank you all for helping us stay healthy, in-school, and learning together!.



Respectfully,

Maureen Lockette