February 28, 2022

Dear CCA families,

Thank you for filling out the survey for the Director Search committee; we appreciate your help.

The 2022 Cardinal and Mike Coan Scholarship Applications are now open. Find the link <u>here</u> and on our CCA main page and please encourage former students to apply!

<u>CARDINAL KEY:</u> This month's Key is *Flexibility*. Be willing to do things differently Recognize what's not working and be willing to change what you're doing to achieve your goal.

## Patriot's Pen:

Congratulations to the winners of this year's Patriot's Pen:

1st Place Drake Young

2nd Place Tegan A Huwa

3rd Place Alexander Culp

These three wonderful writers will be recognized by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. They will receive a certificate and monetary prize. Thank you Ms. Sirios for this opportunity. Way to go!

## **New Lunch Forms!**

The lunch forms for the remainder of this school year are linked here. Wednesdays are <u>Ben's Pizza</u> and Thursdays are <u>Santiago's Burritos</u>. Orders are due the previous Friday to ensure delivery. These forms will be on the website tomorrow as well.

## **Kindness Week Update:**

We collected almost 100 pairs of shoes which will soon be making their way to Africa to help children who want to go to school but do not have appropriate footwear. Thank you! We proudly donated over \$450.00 to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital during our Kindness week as well. Thank you NJHS for planning the dress-up days.

## **Cardinal Cares:**

We are in need of donations to help families in our school community. If you can, please drop off your donation of cash, gift cards or meat to Robin Erker. All donations are greatly appreciated and stay right here in our Cardinal Community. Thank you.

## 2021-2022 Yearbooks; a Message From Ms. Rosling:

Yearbooks are a great way to keep those memories for you and your kids! I am putting the yearbook together, but I can't do it without your help! Please email me those pictures of your kids! Sports pictures (one/kid/sport), first day of school, a special moment you caught during

the christmas program or a party. All of these help me to make the yearbook the best it can be!

8th grade parents, now's the time to purchase an ad for your student! This should include 1-3 pictures (hard or digital) of your choice, a special message from you, a bible verse if you choose. If you have any questions, please email me and I will help you.

Here is the link to order your yearbook. Thank you for all your help! Cassie Rosling cassierosling@re3j.com

# **Weather Spotter Training:**

Weld County is sponsoring a free Weather Spotter Training in Keenesburg on Tuesday, March 22nd. More information is linked <u>here.</u>

## PTO UPDATE:

PTO is planning a Fiesta Dinner and Auction for Friday, March 18th! You will be receiving more information, but each class will be responsible for an auction item. Watch for more information from your teachers and make sure to watch the <a href="PTO page">PTO page</a>.

## **STUDENT EVENTS:**

## We Care:

CCA students and staff raised \$366.35 for We Care; the district-wide initiative to assist RE3j families with a significant need. **Friday, April 1st** will be another First Friday/Hat Friday. Students will donate \$2.00 each to wear a hat all day. Questions? Contact Emileeklausner@re3j.com

#### Pi Day:

CCA will celebrate Pi Day on 3.11 (3.14 is on the following Monday). Ms. Eisenman has plates, forks, napkins and a Pi Pencil for all students, all we need from you is the PIE. Please watch for information from your elementary teacher or from your middle school student. Thank you for helping us make this a fun and educational day.

## Science Fair:

The Middle School Science Fair Competition is on March 9th. If you are interested in judging, please email sarahjohnson@re3j.com.

#### **Huwa Beef Fundraiser:**

We are excited to partner with Huwa Beef! The 8th grade class are selling beef to raise money for their class trip. See beef order options here. Thank you to Huwa Reserve for partnering with us. Last day to order is March 15th. Watch for an on-line order link!

## **Class Pictures March 16th:**

Skillman will return for class pictures on March 16th. Watch for more information here and from your classroom teachers.

## **NURSE'S NOTES:**

# A Note from Mrs. Nighswonger:

March is Nutrition Month! Here are some ideas for <u>National Nutrition Month</u>, <u>Smart-snacking tips</u>, and <u>My Plate</u> to help you make nutrition choices for your family.

## **COVID Update:**

Please keep an eye on the **updated Covid guidance** from RE3j found on the home page of the CCA website (linked at the bottom of this newsletter). Feel free to contact me, Crystal at <a href="mailto:crystalbydalek@re3j.com">crystalbydalek@re3j.com</a> or our new nurse, Brook at <a href="mailto:brooknighswonger@re3j.com">brooknighswonger@re3j.com</a> if you have questions regarding Covid guidelines for schools and students.

# **Upcoming Events**

- March 9th: Middle School Science Fair
- March 11th: All school Pi Day; PTO @ 5:30 in the Library
- March 16th: CCA Board Meeting, work session & executive session @5:30
- March 18th: Intermediate (3-5) History Day event; PTO Taco Dinner
- March 19th- 29th: Spring Break
- March 30th: March Board Meeting @ 5:30
- April 1st: 3rd-8th grades Spring Concert at WCHS
- April 5th: New Principal Meet and Greet (tentative) at 6pm

Thank you for your support of our amazing, little school.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lockette