

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

October

- 19 Extended Learning
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- 20 Winter Fundraiser Begins (due 11/2)
- 21 Extended Learning
- 22-23 FALL BREAK – NO SCHOOL
- 26-30 Red Ribbon Week: Be happy. Be brave. Be drug free.
- 30 Reformation Day Chapel
- 26 SCRIP Due by 8am
- 27 Butter Braids FR Ends
- 27 Fresh Florida Fruit Sale Ends
- 27 DMC Sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive
- 28 Late Start (8:10am)
- 30 SPIRIT Day!

November

- 02 Winter Fundraiser Due
- 03 DMCS Board Meeting
- 04 Late Start (8:10am)
- 06 School Photo Re-Take Day
- 06 "Sheets" Fundraiser (due 11/20)
- 09 SCRIP Due by 8am
- 11 Late Start (8:10am)
- 12 PIE Fall Dinner @ CCHS
- 16 SCRIP Due by 8am
- 18 Late Start (8:10am)
- 20 "Sheets" Fundraiser Due
- 21 DC Breakfast
- 25-27 Thanksgiving Break
- 30 SCRIP Due by 8am

December

- 07 CCHS Preview Night

DMCS Make Up Days In Order of Use:

- February 15, February 12
- April 5, April 2
- May 3, May 28



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HOME BULLETIN

October 19, 2020

2020-2021 SCHOOL THEME VERSE

*"The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word
of our God endures forever."*

Isaiah 40:8

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

I am writing this while also trying to help my two children with extended distance learning. As you can probably imagine, it is taking me a long time and I have only written two sentences. Although it is unfortunate that we were unable to conduct school in person last week and this week, I want to personally thank our parents and family helpers for assisting our students in learning as we navigate many decisions placed before us regarding COVID.

It is our hope and plan that we can start conducting school in person again on Monday, October 26. It is important that we conducted the last two weeks in a virtual setting because we had over 15 staff members that were placed on quarantine and we are unable to fill the vacancies through substitutes. We are thankful that the few staff members and students who tested positive have what appeared to be only minor symptoms. We will continue to monitor the health and safety of the DMCS staff and its students as we commence together again.

The Jasper County Health Department has also noticed an uptick in cases throughout the county. There have been members in our county who have tested positive but they remain optimistic as positive cases have hovered around 3%. Our county has been placed in a "Yellow" category, but it isn't until we are placed in an "Orange" category that we will need to make adjustments to aspects of school, like athletics and extracurricular activities. We will continue to monitor the status of our community alongside our local health department as we make future decisions regarding DeMotte Christian Schools.

Thank you for adjusting to the recent changes. Thank you for your patience. Thank you for your grace. It is our every intention to conduct school in person while also taking the necessary precautions to ensure safety and health of students and staff. I cannot wait to finish up the remaining aspects of virtual learning in the being of the week, enjoy a few days of fall break, and start school in person on Monday, October 26.

Mr. Brinks

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!! You are loved 😊

- October 19: Mrs. VanSoest
- October 20: Shyanne M
Abbey T
Mrs. Dexter
- October 23: Mr. Lilley



P.I.E. POST

Partners In Education

Visit [PIE COMMITTEE SIGN UPS](#) and find the many ways you can help! There are explanations on what the committee is responsible for and the expected time commitment.

We are still in need of helpers for our Spring Mattress Sale. Get involved today!

ROOM PARENTS

PS3: Stevie S & Jori J
PS4(am): Erin V & Brittany DB
PS4(pm): Dana Y & Julie T
KA: Lindsey B & Jennifer B
KB: Veronica K & Nichole F
1: Tracy B & Kate M
2A: Sarah H & Alicia D
2B: Brandi W & Lindsay N
3A: Lauren B & Nicole VS
3B: Megan K & Rachel W
4: Wendy F & Jill M
5: Laura R & Jamie T
6: Jill T & Janell R
7A: Lori G & Valerie K
7B: Stacy D & Amanda B
8: Katie K & Sue D
8th Banquet: Dana VM, Katie K, Janell R, and Carrie B

THANK YOU for volunteering!! ☺

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

October is **National Bullying Prevention Month**.

Unlike bullying in the real world, online bullying can follow the child wherever they go, via social networks, gaming and mobile phone. Stay tuned next week for types of cyberbullying...

NEWS TO KNOW!

SCHOOL PHOTO RETAKES: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

DMC retakes are **Friday, November 6**, for those that were absent or in PS3. Visit [INTER-STATE.COM](#) to view more unique styles and use order code: 50943EA. **PARENTS:** If you have questions about your child's photos, please visit [inter-state.com/support](#) to schedule a call, email, or chat with a customer service representative.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

K-5 conferences have been postponed.
Jr. High Conferences will take place via ZOOM.

2ND QUARTER LUNCH DUE

Your child's 2nd quarter hot lunch is due at this time = \$101.25. Thank you for your prompt payment! (Your account will be credited for Extended Learning days.)

BUTTER BRAIDS (10/6-27)

Covenant Christian High School students are selling delicious Butter Braids again! Just store in your freezer, thaw to rise, and bake. Contact any CCHS student to order, or stop by either school to pick up an order form (orders are due by Monday, October 27). Pick-up date is Nov. 10, from 2-3pm at CCHS. Questions? Call Lori Groves at 219-613-8162.

FRESH FLORIDA FRUIT SALE (10/13-27)

This fundraiser has been cancelled this year.

PINT-SIZE HERO BLOOD DRIVE – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2-6pm

To schedule your blood donation, call 1-800-RED CROSS, or go to [redcrossblood.org](#) and use sponsor code "demcs". Each student who recruits one presenting donor will receive an American Red Cross LCD writing pad! Volunteers are needed at the reception or refreshment area, too!

[redcrossblood.org/youthresources](#) / 1-800-RED CROSS / Download the Blood Donor App / #PintSizeHero

PS3/PS4 & KG SCHEDULES

Pre-School (3):	7:45-11:00am
2 Hour Delay:	9:45-11:45am
Pre-School (4) AM:	7:45-11:00am
Late Start Wed:	8:10-11:10am
2 Hour Delay:	9:45-11:45am
Pre-School (4) PM:	11:30-2:40pm
Late Start Wed:	11:40-2:40pm
2 Hour Delay:	12:40-2:40pm

Kindergarten

Half Day:	7:45-11:05am
Late Start Wed:	8:10-11:05am
2 Hour Delay:	9:45-11:45am

OFFICE HOURS

The main office will be open on school days and Teacher In-Service days from 7:15am - 3:00pm.

ONGOING PROJECTS

- **Box Tops for Education:** Download the APP and start scanning your receipt OR email your online receipt to receipts@boxtops4education.com!
- **"Our Family" Tysen's Labels:** Clip the UPC symbol from any Tysen's "Our Family" product and DMC receives .05 each!
- **Office Depot's 5% Back to Schools Program:** 5% of your purchase will be credited to DMC for FREE SUPPLIES. DMC's 5% Back to Schools Program ID Number is 70035754.
- **Amazon:** DMC will receive 0.5% of your eligible purchases at Amazon when you sign up for the Amazon smile program. To register DMC as your charity of choice, go to www.smile.amazon.com and select DeMotte Christian School. For more information and link to the Amazon website, go to www.dmchr.org/Affinity.cfm.



Cash back toward your family tuition can really add up! For order forms and information, look in Resource Documents in Family Portal!
Questions? Call Kara Nanninga, SCRIP Coordinator, at 219-987-3721, ext. 313

SHIP TO HOME: Coming late October: Families will have the option to get physical gift cards from 100+ popular brands delivered right to their door! Available only on the Raise Right APP!

CURRENT BONUS (Just a small sampling):

Bed Bath & Beyond – 8%, 10/17-30

Carrabba's – 16%, 10/17-30

Outback – 16%, 10/17-30

See the attached flyer for bonus weekends!

MORE NEWS TO KNOW!

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

For up-to-date information, visit eventlink.com!

- ✓ Choose the calendars you want to see
- ✓ Get live notifications about schedule changes and cancellations
- ✓ Receive a Daily Event Summary of events from the calendar YOU choose

Thursday, October 29:

6/7/8 Boys Basketball at Tinley Park – 4pm

GO EAGLES!

Athletes, parents, and DMC fans, please remember to wear a mask at indoor sporting events, especially when social distancing is not possible. Thank you for doing YOUR part to keep our student athletes healthy and on the court playing.