



Note from the Principal

We have many exciting things happening in the next month, and we hope you enjoy this final version of our Plunge Newsletter. Other than all of the rainy days, this year truly flew by and we are amazed that it is almost summer!

SBAC Testing has now ended for all except 5th grade who will complete their final assessments by the 16th. Thanks to Mrs. Randell for her hard work in training staff and helping our students and school prepare for these tests. Look for your student's scores in the mail this summer.

Thanks to our outstanding PTA and volunteers who plan so many fun events that make our school so welcoming like our Dolphin Dash, Family Fun Nights, Dolphin Games, and World's Fair. Our PTA board, along with their committees, have worked so hard this year to make sure that our kids have a world class education that is balanced with fun. These volunteers have put in countless hours in order to plan great events and raise money for valued programs, including makerspace materials in the lab, the 4-6th grade Walk Through Assemblies, Meet the Masters for kindergarten, Lunch Time Activities, and so much more that make College Park the special community that we are.

All of you who are here volunteering your time deserve so many thanks – and your children are benefitting from your love and support of our school! If you have volunteered in any way at all this year, please join us for our volunteer breakfast celebration on May 31st starting at 7:30am.

Make some great memories with your family this summer as you travel and relax, and be sure to have your children read and practice math facts as often as you can so that our students come back just as brilliant as when they leave us in June! We have one more Flag Deck on the last day of school and we would love for everyone to join us for that as we celebrate special times, students and teachers and reflect on our year. We hope to see you there!

Respectfully,

Meg Guynn

Mark your calendars!
The 2019-20 school year begins on
August 22nd!!!



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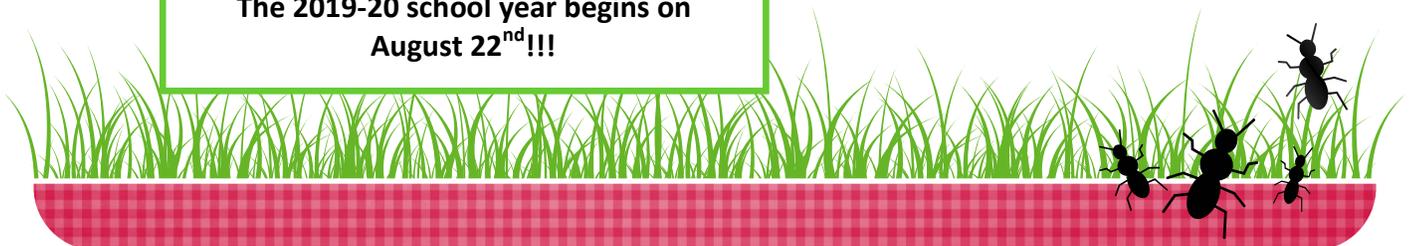
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What Do the Smarter Balanced Test Scores Mean for My Child?

CAASP tests are the California state assessments that our students just took in April and are currently finishing in May. The individual student score report, which should arrive home in August, shows two key pieces of information—descriptors and scale scores. Descriptors communicate the college content readiness level of students who have scale scores on a scale between 2000 and 3000 on the test. The scale scores are reported on a vertical scale, like a yard stick, that is consistent from year to year. For example, with a vertical scale, it should be possible to measure growth by subtracting a student's score on a third-grade test from that same student's score on a fourth-grade test the following year.

There are four levels of achievement: Levels 1, 2, 3, and 4. The Achievement Level Descriptors (ALDs) are descriptions of the college content readiness of students. In grades 3–8, the descriptors relate to the progress that the student is making toward college content readiness. In grade 11, the status of student readiness is described. ALDs describe the student's level of performance on the achievement standard by demonstrating the knowledge and skills needed for likely success in entry-level, credit-bearing college coursework after high school. These levels are *Exceeded*, *Met*, *Nearly Met*, and *Not Met*. There is also a report of performance at the claim level (for example, Reading) in each content area, but since there are fewer questions upon which to make this judgment, the claims are reported at three levels of performance: At Standard, Below/Near Standard, and Above Standard.

You may find that one claim in mathematics or English language arts/literacy is a strength for your student, while another claim may need more work. Discuss these strengths and challenge areas with your student and with the teacher and consider performance on classroom assignments in order to plan specific supports in the next year.

Parenting Woes?!

This year, we have tried to focus on mindfulness with our students to help prevent problem behaviors from reoccurring and to help create self-awareness. Since summer provides families a chance to bond, here are some opportunities to help your child be more successful with their social emotional learning. In addition, parents may be able to learn some valuable tools that will help keep their family dynamics healthy and stronger. [Here is a link to Western Youth Services and what they are providing.](#)

Mindfulness for Kids—What Is It?!

Mindfulness is being aware of what's going on in the present moment. For kids, it helps focus attention, improve self-regulation (impulsivity and decision making,) build resiliency to stress and develop a positive mindset.

Check out these resources to learn more:

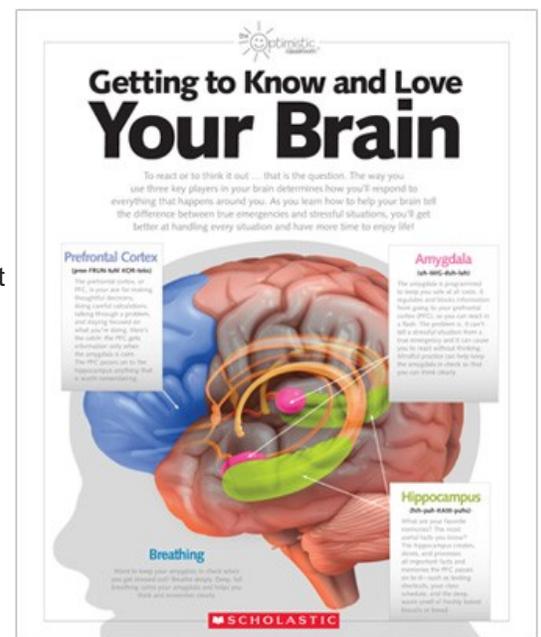
[Research Round-Up: Mindfulness in Schools](#)

[The Hawm Foundation](#)

[What it means to be mindful and how it can help your kids](#)

[Books on Mindfulness](#)

[What Changes When A School Embraces Mindfulness?](#)





COLLEGE PARK WORLD'S FAIR 2019

COLLEGE PARK PTA
PTA
every child's service.

Friday, May 17th
2:10 pm - 6:00 pm
College Park Elementary School

PRESALE FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY!

Friday, April 26th through Friday, May 10th

**Ticket Card
Presale Orders:
(Bonus Boxes)**

\$5 7 Boxes
\$10 14 Boxes
\$25 35 Boxes

**Ticket Card
Day of World's Fair:
(\$1 = 1 Box)**

\$5 5 Boxes
\$10 10 Boxes
\$20 20 Boxes

All Games cost 2 Boxes to play
Food & Drink cost 2-8 Boxes
Purchase The Habit Food Tickets
Slide Zone Wristband- \$5 for unlimited use!

ORDER PRESALE- Get Bonus Boxes & don't waste time waiting in line!

*** Avoid The Ticket Lines ***

We are excited to announce that Presale Orders will be delivered to classrooms on Wednesday, May 15, two days before World's Fair! Students need to take their sealed envelopes home so that parents can verify the orders. Just make sure to bring the Ticket Cards and Wristbands back to school on May 17 for the World's Fair!

*** Food: Pre-Purchase Habit ***

Besides having our awesome International Food Booths the Habit truck will be serving up french fries and hamburgers. Order your pre-sale Habit tickets below!

Questions? Contact:
worldsfair@collegeparkpta.org

Make checks payable to College Park PTA and turn in this form with a check or cash OR

Purchase Presale using you credit/debit card ONLINE at www.collegeparkpta.org

Enclose bottom portion in a sealed envelope and return to your child's teacher or front office by May 10th!

Student's Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

Parent Email Address (Required): _____

Parent Phone Number (Required): _____ Grand Total of CARDS & HABIT Presale \$

PRESALE ORDERS	QTY		TOTAL
\$5 Card = 7 Boxes	<input type="text"/>	x \$5 each =	<input type="text"/>
\$10 Card = 14 Boxes	<input type="text"/>	x \$10 each =	<input type="text"/>
\$25 Card = 35 Boxes	<input type="text"/>	x \$25 each =	<input type="text"/>
SLIDE ZONE Wristbands	<input type="text"/>	x \$5 each =	<input type="text"/>
Total QTY	<input type="text"/>	Card Amount (\$) Enclosed	<input type="text"/>

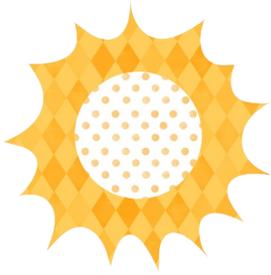
THE HABIT PRESALE ORDER	QTY		TOTAL
Charburger	<input type="text"/>	x \$7 each =	<input type="text"/>
Double Charburger	<input type="text"/>	x \$8 each =	<input type="text"/>
French Fries	<input type="text"/>	x \$4 each =	<input type="text"/>
Total QTY	<input type="text"/>	Habit Total (\$) Enclosed	<input type="text"/>

****Hamburger and Cheeseburger same price****

Presale Orders will be delivered to

World's Fair. Make sure to bring them back on Friday, May 17th!





IPSF Summer Camps

Follow Us!

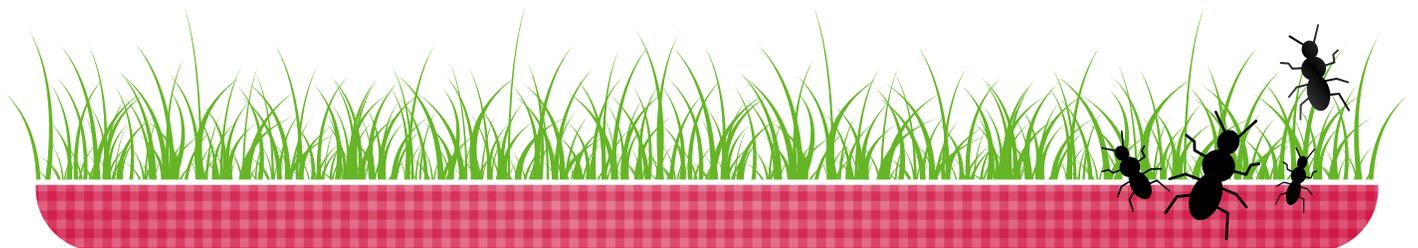


IPSF is excited to offer Specialty Camps from June 17-August 16 in areas such as visual and performing arts, STEAM, and culinary arts. Camps are one to two weeks in length, giving families more flexibility to participate in enrichment opportunities beyond Summer Enrichment Academy. IPSF is proud to partner with various organizations to bring these enrichment camps to Irvine. [Click here for more information.](#)



Irvine Junior Games

The Irvine Children's Fund has made before and after school childcare scholarships a priority for low-income working families in Irvine. Since 1993, the Irvine Children's Fund has provided \$1,879,193 to fund these needs. This year, the games were held on Sunday May 5th. It was a long day of excitement and sports. The Opening Ceremonies and athlete parade began at 9:00 am and the event concluded on 6:00 pm. Look at the next page for results and photos of the eventful day!



Irvine Junior Games



4th Grade Boys

River E – gold – bag shot

Faris A – silver – 400m

River E – gold – 50m

6th Grade Boys

Jonathan – gold – 100m

Relay Team – silver – Jackson S, Steven M, Brandon F, Jonathn D

5th Grade Boys

Smith S – bronze – bag shot

Smith S – bronze – 100m

6th Grade Girls

Isabella V – silver – 400m

5th Grade Girls

Harper V – bronze – bag shot

Alyssa T – gold – soccer kick

Katie L – gold – 100m

Relay Team – gold – Alyssa T, Audrey A, Ashlyn R, Katie L



DOLPHIN GAMES



Our Annual Dolphin Games has come and gone. We were very lucky to have such dedicated parents that have supported all of our student athletes with this massive event that spreads across multiple days. We would like to give a special thanks to Debra Broccardo for all of her hard work organizing the event. Here are the final results for 1st place for each grade in each event. These names will all be on the plaques in the MPR hallway by the end of May.

Kinder

Sprint - Kaiden T; Remy

Bean Bag - Reina N; Aiden R

Soccer - Yousef A; Emily F

Jump - Serdar K; Noemie W-M

1st

Sprint - Nitish P; Melissa V

Bean Bag - Andrew B; Bae Kaitlyn L

Jump - Andrew; Isra A

Soccer - Charles F; Katrina-love M

Run - Melissa V; Jacob L

2nd

Sprint - Kinley C; Abraham A

Bean Bag - Evelyn L; Rishi J

Jump - Rishi J; Harper E

Soccer - Micah K; Ava T

Run- Tanner H; Marlowe N

3rd

Sprint - Lucy H; Marko V

Bean Bag- Jacob B; Yoatziry A

Jump - Elena T; Matthew P

Soccer - James T; Lorena G Run - Matthew P;

Lucy H

4th

Sprint - Pablo B; Lola C

Basketball- Kazuya K; Lillian C

Jump- Faris A; Mia M

Soccer- Kaitlyn L; Oscar W

Run - Faris A; Amelia W

5th

Sprint - Smith S; Grace F

Basketball- Flint S; Razan C; Katie L; Abigail L

Jump- Benjamin N; Jahnelle M

Soccer- Alyssa T; Sina S

Run- Maverick N; Alyssa T

6th

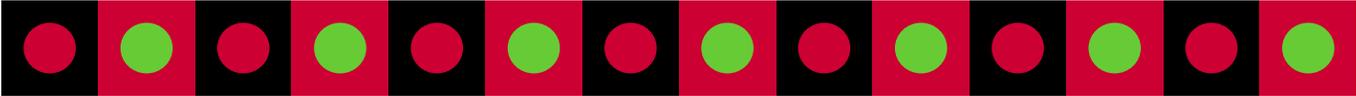
Sprint - Amy K; Jonathan D

Basketball- Jackson S; Suzaina S

Jump- Anya S; Steven M

Soccer - Tyler D; Madilyn L

Run- Hudson G; Isabella V



IPSF SUMMER

REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 18, 2019



Complete list of available
classes, full descriptions,
and more at:
www.ipcf.net/summer

Choose your own adventure this summer!

Half-day or full-day classes are collaborative, project-based, and designed to challenge Pre-K - 12 grade students to discover new ways of thinking through problem solving and creativity. Classes fill quickly, register early!



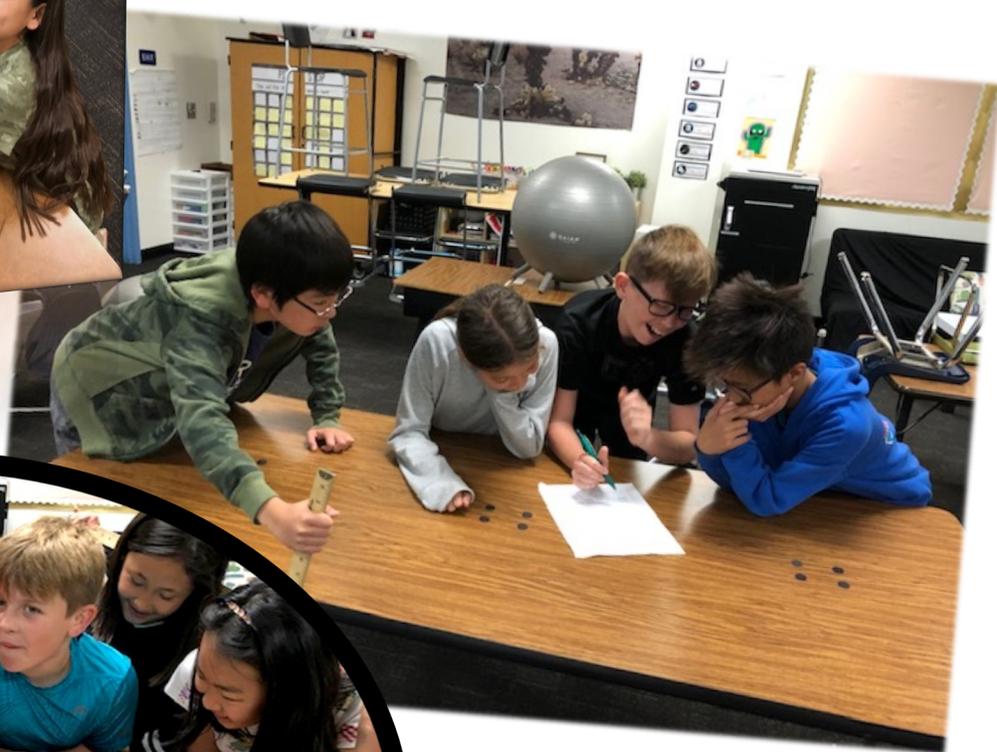
 **IRVINE
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FOUNDATION**



Orange County Mathematics Field Day

Good Luck to our outstanding mathematicians!

On May 21st, our super mathletes will compete in a highly rigorous math competition at Westminster High School. This yearly competition boasts some of Orange County's most prestigious schools, as well as many private schools from South Orange County. Our fourth, fifth, and sixth grade teams all have been working extremely hard practicing for this competition. Please join us as we wish them luck!



College Park's Family Math Night

On April 26th, College Park's teachers hosted their very first Family Math Night. College Park's teachers wanted to present math to families in a very fun and unique way. Smiles could be seen everywhere and many students and parents were asking about when the next family night will be. If you have further suggestions about how to make the night even more eventful, please reach out to Mrs. Gwyn or Mr. Gutierrez with your ideas.



OPEN HOUSE



Another successful Open House is in the books! For the third year in a row, College Park had their Open House a little earlier in the year. This allowed teachers more time to focus on end of the year activities and testing. In addition, this earlier opportunity helps parents have a better understanding of what we teach and why. Thank you to all of the teachers, parents and other staff members that made this night such a success. Our Book Fair, Bake Sale, and Silent Auction were among the fan favorites and they wouldn't have been as successful without a team effort. Thank you to Joyce Eng, Stacey Perkins, Ana Jean Dela Cruz, Han Nguyen, Debra Broccardo, Michelle Wall, Nancy Collins and Michelle Sterling for making the Book Fair such a success! We were able to raise over seven thousand dollars for the second consecutive year. We will use these funds to purchase new books for our library and Innovative Furniture to modernize our library.

Summer Practice

It is so important for kids to be kids! We want them to have a well-deserved brain break and to swim and ride their bikes and explore nature. Still, we are in the business of making sure kids learn! If you're looking for enriching activities for your kids to do over the summer, here are a few ideas:

CODING—Preparing kids for the future!

Try these coding sites for practice.

- www.code.org
- www.codemonkey.com
- www.madewithcode.com

MATH

Students can practice [Khan Academy](#) all summer long! Students can use their IUSD log in to keep track of their Progress.

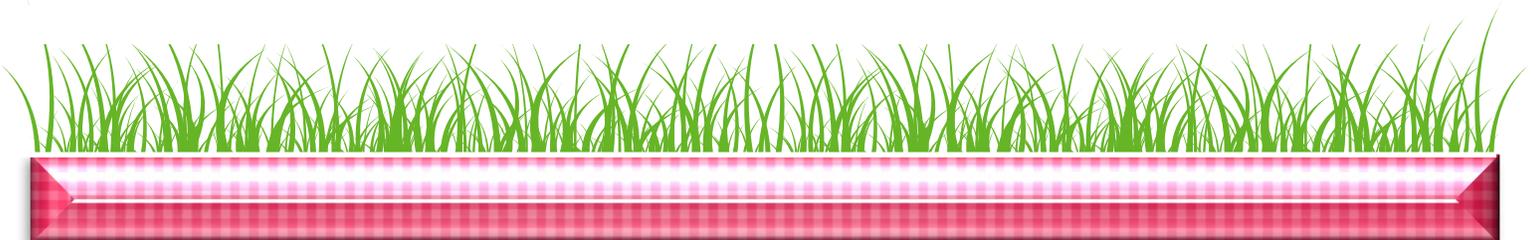
[ST Math](#)— Students can practice their facts and math skills.

READING

Barnes and Noble will begin its Summer Reading Program May 7th. [Please visit this site](#) for more details on how to earn free books. We also have our reading programs like RAZ Kids, Headsprout, and Smarty Ants that our students can access.

Community Reading Events:

It's Showtime @ Your Library! Starting June 17th and ending July 28th all ages can come into any local Orange County Public Library and sign up for the Summer Reading Program (SRP). Read for fun and get the opportunity to be entered into our grand prize drawings or attend one of our many SRP special programs. We will have different age brackets for the reading program from toddlers and school age kids to teens and adults. [Check out this calendar](#) for this event and others.



More Reading Practice



The Irvine Unified School District appreciates your support of your child's learning during the 2018-19 academic school year. We recognize that your involvement in your child's education and your collaboration with your child's teacher over the past year are paramount to their success. We also appreciate the fact that the school year is demanding and rigorous, and it is equally important for your family to relax and "recharge" during summer vacation.

As June 7th approaches and you begin planning your break, we offer several resources and ideas for optional summer reading for your child:

- Encourage your child to read books that they enjoy on a daily basis. Your child will likely be more engrossed in material they choose themselves than material that is required of them.
- Provide incentives for reluctant readers. For example, if your child enjoys basketball, agree to take him/her to the local court if he/she completes the "daily reading."
- Make reading a social act. Establish a time during the day when all members of the family gather and read on their own or take turns reading the same book aloud.
- Connect your reading to family outings. If you take your child to an aquarium, consider reading a book about fish or the ocean with them later that day. The outing can help place the reading into a broader context. Remember to include a visit to your local library.

Below are some resources to assist you in selecting books that are engaging and interesting for your child and written at an appropriate level.

The [California Recommended Literature List](#) is a searchable database of a collection of outstanding literature for children and adolescents in grades prekindergarten through grade twelve in all disciplines. Each book has a description called an "annotation" that explains what the book is about.

The [Find a Book, California](#) tool offers students over 160,000 books from which to choose. This book-search tool enables individuals to build custom reading lists based on Lexile range, grade level, and/or personal interests. The Find A Book program is a national, state-led summer reading initiative sponsored by the Council of Chief State Schools Officers.

[Amazon's Summer Reading Website](#) also has a searchable database, sortable by age and interest. Each title is accompanied by a description of the book, as well as customer reviews.



Staff Appreciation Week

A very special thank you to all of the room parents and families that made our teachers and staff feel special the whole week. We were showered with gifts and we all felt the love. On Thursday, our PTA sponsored the luncheon and many of the parents donated desserts. Thank you to these amazing women who helped transport our staff to an afternoon on a Hawaiian island: Stacy Porter, Susan Chang-Fong, Kyla Armstrong, Sunita Patel, Gloria Olivo. We would also like to thank Dr. Parker for coming out to give our staff massages. We love our College Park community and We Love it



Upcoming Dates

May

5/15: Kindergarten Walking Field Trip to park – OC Habitat

Deadline for submission of Student Council Paperwork (P10 or RM 16)

5/17: Student Council Primary Elections – Grades 3-5

World's Fair, CP Blacktop, 2:30 pm – 6:00 pm

5/20: Student Council Election Rules Meeting, MPR, 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm

5/21: 4th Grade Meeting with Mayor, MPR, 9:00 am – 10:00 am

5/22: Vocal Music Concert, MPR, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

5/23: ELAC Meeting, Courtyard & Innovation Lab, 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

5/24: Day Before Memorial Day Holiday – Minimum Day

5/27: Memorial Day – No School

5/28: Gold Dust or Bust Performances, MPR, 9:00 am – 10:00 am and 10:15 am – 11:15 am

5/30: Spring Instrumental Concert, Northwood High School, 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

5/31: Volunteer Breakfast, MPR, 7:30 am – 9:00 am

June

6/3: 6th Grade Field Trip – Splash Water Park, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

Kindergarten Promotion Ceremony, MPR, 10:45 am – 11:15 am

6/4: PTA Executive Board Meeting, MPR, 8:30 am – 10:00 am

Teachers vs. 6th Grade Softball/Water/Volleyball, CP Field, 8:30 am – 10:00 am

5th Grade Pool Party, CP Community Pool, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Kindergarten Family Picnic, CP Park, 10:00 – 10:30 am

6th Grade Luncheon, Courtyard, 10:30 am – 11:00 am

3rd Grade Play Performance – Beauty & the Beast, MPR, 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

6/5: 1st Grade Patriotic Play Performance, MPR, 12:45 pm – 1:15 pm

6/6: 6th Grade Promotion Ceremony, CP Blacktop, 9:00 am – 10:30 am

6/7: Last Day of School – Minimum Day (Kindergarten all on AM schedule)

Report Cards Released to Parent Portal, 1:30 pm

August

8/12 College Park Front Office Opens

8/22 **First Day of School – Minimum Day**

Mark your calendars!

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on
August 22, 2019!!!**

