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Upcoming Calendar Dates (as of 5/9, check [Calendar](#) for updates)

5/10	Teacher Workday (No School for Students)	5/17	7 p.m. PTC Meeting (signup)
5/12	3 p.m. MS Poetry Slam	5/20	3:45 p.m. NJHS Virtual Meeting
5/12	5:30 p.m. Info Session for Prospective Parents	5/20	4 p.m. NJHS Career Convo
5/13	4 p.m. NJHS Career Convo	5/31	No School

**Monday, May 10, is a teacher workday.
There will be no school for students.**

Message from the Principal

Happy Mother's Day, Cardinal Families! I hope all of our moms have a wonderful day. We celebrate you and are thankful for all you do for your children.

Remember that Monday is a teacher workday, so there will be no school for students in person or online. We're hosting an information session on Tuesday at 5:30 on Zoom for families who are interested in joining our waiting list for next year. If you have friends who are looking for a great school to attend next year, please let them know.

Wednesday is our sixth annual middle school poetry slam. This year, we're hosting it on the field at 3:00 after school. Students can attend in person OR virtually; the Zoom link will be sent out on Monday for students who wish to connect remotely. We're excited to hear our students present the poems they've been working so hard on these past couple of weeks.

On behalf of our entire staff, I'd like to express our sincere thanks to our PTC and to each of you who contributed in any way to our joy last week. Teacher Appreciation Week at Cardinal is AMAZING every year because of parents like you who are involved, engaged, and thankful for all we do here. You lavished us with gifts last week and we are all so grateful for your thoughtfulness. We love our Cardinal families and we love teaching your children!

Let's have a great week of school!

Becky Draper, Ed.D.
Principal



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EOG Testing Dates—**New**

The testing dates for End-of-Grade (EOG) tests are listed below.

Please note that on June 1 and 2, grades K-3 will have asynchronous days. Students in grades K-3 do not come to school on June 1 and 2. They should log into Schoology from home on those days for assignments.

May 18

- Grade 8 Math 2

May 27

- Grade 3 ELA

May 28

- Grade 3 Math

June 1 (Asynchronous day for K-3)

- Grades 4, 6, 7, and 8 ELA
- Grade 5 Math

June 2 (Asynchronous day for K-3)

- Grades 4, 6, and 7 Math
- Grade 5 ELA
- Grade 8 Math (students in Math 1 and 2 should stay home)

June 3

- Grade 5 Science
- Grade 8 Science

June 4

- Grade 8 Math 1

What to Bring for EOGs

Students should bring the following on testing days:

Water bottle

Book or magazine to read

Highlighters

Snacks

Graphing Calculator such as TI-85 for Math 1 and 2



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Testing Anxiety—New

During this time of year, we see a rise in test anxiety in students. While we can't prevent giving standardized tests, we can better prepare our children to cope with the challenges. This is a great, short, and kid friendly video with 5 tips for coping with test anxiety. It explains what it is, how it can affect you, and what you can do about it. Please check it out with your child.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sDYx9qM_ygg

NJHS Updates—New

On May 13 at 4 p.m., a Career Convo for NJHS students will take place over Zoom. The guest speaker will be Dr. Ryan Draper, who practices in sports orthopedics.

The last NJHS virtual meeting will take place May 20 at 3:45 p.m. followed by a Career Convo with Mr. Snyder, a business contractor.

End of Year Celebrations—New

Kindergarten families will receive information regarding end of year celebrations from their child's teacher.

Fifth-grade team teachers will hold end of year celebrations together, and families will receive information about the parties from their child's teacher.

Aftercare



Aftercare is available at school through a partnership with the YMCA. It is held on campus, from 2:45 to 6 p.m. daily and is available as weekly sessions. Please visit the aftercare website below for more information and to register for the program.

<https://www.ymcatriangle.org/schools/cardinal-charter-academy-after-school>



The outfits and class activities were so great for May the Fourth Be With You!



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Staff Appreciation Week—Updated

Staff Appreciation Week was an incredible success! Staff and teachers were showered with donuts, pizza, thank you notes, gift cards, and baskets of goodies. A huge shout out to all the families and businesses who played an integral part in this wonderful week for staff and teachers will be listed in next week's newsletter. Thank you, Cardinal community!!





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School Supply Kits—Updated

2021-2022 school supply kits are available to order starting May 10. The PTC works with teachers to create supply kits for the coming year to make shopping for school supplies easier for parents. The sale will run through June 11.

Kits are available for grades K-8 with **FREE home delivery!**

www.shopttkits.com

Account Code: **62661**

Order period: May 10 – June 11

Why School Kits?

-Get everything your child needs, delivered right to your door, without leaving the house.

-Every kit includes hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes!

Never Fear, Is Here!

<p>Easy</p> <p>Hate school supply shopping? We've got you covered! Everything your child needs for class—in a convenient kit!</p>	<p>Convenient</p> <p>Place your order online and relax as SchoolKidz puts together your child's customized kit over the summer.</p>	<p>Worry Free</p> <p>SchoolKidz works with our teachers to make sure your student is prepared for the first day of school!</p>
Account Number: 62661		www.shopttkits.com

iReady Testing

iReady testing continues through May 21. Teachers will email their class test dates, so please be on the lookout for that communication.

Afternoon Carpool

Do NOT arrive for afternoon carpool before 1:45 p.m. Arriving before the designated time makes it difficult for customers to access surrounding businesses. Only arrive at the designated time.

Do NOT park on Grande Heights Drive or Maynard Road. At all.

Cafeteria Helpers—New

Please sign up to help deliver lunches to students. The extra hands are greatly appreciated!

<https://signup.com/go/ZshDyMn>

**Students must arrive by 7:45 a.m.
for instruction to begin on time.
DO NOT BE LATE!**



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Spirit Wear Update—Updated

Please remember that spirit wear orders placed on the new website are processed and shipped to your home in 7-10 business days. Orders placed on the weekends are not received until Mondays. If you have any questions, please email our spirit wear coordinator [here](#).

Families may continue to order through the Classy link [here](#) (items are sent home or picked up at the school) and if your size isn't available, you may use the [new website](#) (shipping is available).

Students may continue to wear spirit wear on Fridays with any uniform bottom.



Paper Grocery Bags



We are in need of paper grocery bags. The paper bags are used for EOG testing materials. Please drop off the bags at the front desk labeled "Nomy Grant." Thank you!

Weekly COVID-19 Report—Updated

Each week, Cardinal will provide a report on COVID-19 cases in our building. Cardinal strives to be completely transparent with its community while still protecting privacy. If there are known cases, Cardinal will follow CDC and NCDHHS procedures and notify only those who came into contact with the person. If there is a positive case in your home, please email Dr. Draper [here](#).

For the week of May 3, there were no reports of students or staff in the building with a positive COVID-19 test.

Q4 Change of Learning Form

Families may change from in-person learning to virtual learning at any time during quarter 4. Please fill out [this form](#) to begin the process to request a change and email your child's teacher. Completed forms should be [emailed to Dr. Draper](#).

Please note: Families may not change from virtual learning to in-person. This form is only for families to request a move to virtual learning for the remainder of the year

Clinic Wish List

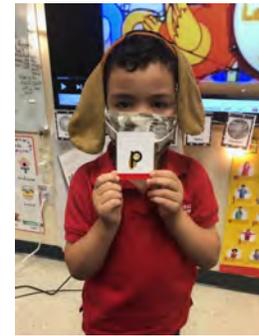
Now that the weather is getting better and more students are back in the classroom, we need to make sure the clinic is well stocked. Please consider [signing up here](#) and donating items to our clinic. Nurse Sophie says, "Thanks!"



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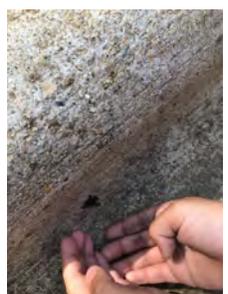
The annual LetterLand parade was held this past Friday for kindergarten students. The letter costumes were great!



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While outside for a mask break, kindergarten students came upon some recently hatched baby frogs who were having trouble jumping over the curb. Students helped the little frogs get into the grass safely!

Ms. Kerr's third-grade class held a Family Feud style game to help test their EOG knowledge. Students had a great time!



Mrs. Mudd's seventh-grade science students had fun making monster families as part of their unit on genetics! Students got to roll dice and flip coins to simulate the random diversity of genetic inheritance. They compared their monster babies to their monster parents, and then drew their monster family portraits!



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School Lunch Menu for the Week of May 11



School breakfast and lunch are free for all students.

Breakfast

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
11	12	13	14
Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blueberry Waffles Sugar Free Syrup Fresh Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh Apple Juice Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% Apple Juice Apple Cherry Juice Grape Juice 100% Grape Juice Orange Juice 100% Orange Juice 100% Orange Juice 100% Orange Juice Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk 	WG Assorted Cereal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cinnamon Toast Crunch Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh Banana Juice Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apple Cherry Juice Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk 	Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Triple Cherry Trix Yogurt Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh Banana Juice Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grape Juice Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk 	Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Bar Canned Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applesauce Juice Choice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orange Juice Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk

Lunch

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
11	12	13	14
Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pancakes Cheesy Scrambled Eggs Crunchy Chicken Wrap Sides <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tater Tots Syrup Canned Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sliced Peaches Light Mayonnaise Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 	Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hot Dog on Bun Crunchy Chicken Wrap Sides <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sweet Potato Waffle Fries Collard Greens Fresh Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Grapes Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk 	Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BBQ Chicken Sandwich Cobb Salad Sides <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Popeye Salad Canned Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fruit Cocktail Baby Carrots Fat Free Ranch Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk 	Entree Option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIZZA DIPPERS Pizza Sauce Egg and Cheese Chef Salad Sides <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Romaine Lettuce Fresh Fruit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh Apple Milk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skim Milk Chocolate Skim Milk 1% Milk

Meal Pickup for Virtual Learners

Free meals may be picked up at school by parents/guardians for virtual learners. If you will be picking up meals for your student, please email our guidance counselor, Ms. Farrington, [here](mailto:ms.farrington@ccaptccary.org). Meal pick-ups take place on Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m.



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers will be limited in the building this year, however are still needed! Use the links below to find new volunteer opportunities. A complete list of volunteer opportunities can be found on the PTC website [here](#). List of volunteer opportunities:

Carpool and Cafeteria Opportunities: <https://signup.com/go/ZshDyMn>

Staff Appreciation: <https://signup.com/go/bWoqJjc>

You may also sign up for areas of volunteering that you find interesting via the PTC interest survey. This doesn't commit you to that area, and you can pick multiple areas. The PTC interest survey can be found [here](#). The committee/project chair will reach out to you.

Absences

If students are home and sick, parents should email absences@cardinalcharter.org and their child's home-room teacher to let the school know. If your child is feeling well enough to participate in school from home, they can log onto Schoology for their classwork. Non-COVID-19 absences should be reported to absences@cardinalcharter.org as well.

If a class is quarantined, parents don't need to notify the school of their child's absence. There is a special code in PowerSchool for quarantine. Administration will notify parents when their child may return to school.

If your family is home quarantined due to possible exposure to COVID-19 and your child isn't sick, please email absences@cardinalcharter.org and your child's teacher. Students should learn from home on Schoology while quarantined.



Uniform Reminder

All in-person students must adhere to the dress code when inside the building. The policy for the dress code may be found [here](#).