



C.S. Red Hawks Online

Dear CS Red Hawks Online Students and families,

I am very excited to begin the year as your Principal! On behalf of the staff, I would like to welcome you to the 2020-21 school year. This letter will provide you information as you and your child prepare for the fall, but you are also welcome to call the Middle School office with any questions that you have: 616-696-9100.

Open House

Open house will be a bit different this year. In the days to come, you'll receive a welcome video from your teacher. Please play the video with your child to become familiar with who your teacher is and the expectations for online learning, as well as a quick preview of what you can expect for the first week of school.

For those who would like to become more familiar with the online platform we'll be using, please look at the following [link](#) for some supports from Savvas.

First Day of School is Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

We're still working on developing a schedule for each grade level. While it may adapt based on the needs of the learners throughout the year, we'll keep you posted with any changes that might occur.

Grade Level	Teacher Scheduling Time Frame
K-5	8:30-3:30
6-8	7:30-2:30

*The time indicated is not what all students will be expected to be online for. These are the different hours in which teachers will plan synchronous instruction, communicate with families, plan intervention and other best practices to meet the needs of their learners.

Technology Survey

[Linked](#) is a survey about technology. Please complete the survey by August 28 so that we can prepare for the device pickup on September 2 at District Office. Please read the details in the description of the survey. **The parent forms listed in the next section must be handed in during the device pick-up in order to receive your device(s).**



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Parent Signature and Forms

(Please click on the form name to print and sign prior to arriving at chromebook pick-up. You will need all documents signed accordingly to pick up your device(s). If you are not in need of a device, please drop the forms off at the middle school or sign, scan, and send via email to bill.cataldo@csredhawks.org)

CS Red Hawks Online Agreement: Defines the role of parents, students, the district in an online setting. One signed copy per family, including the name and grade level of each student enrolled in the online school, will be needed prior to the start of school.

Educational Development Plan: This form needs to be on file for the state to know why providing an online school option was in the best interest of the child. As you open the form “concerns around the COVID-19 pandemic” is cited as the reason. An individual copy per child needs to be printed and signed. Please be sure to include the students full name, grade and date.

Device Checkout Agreement: For families who are in need of a device.

Student Parent Acceptable Use Agreement: For families who are in need of a device.

Chromebook Use Guide: Support sheet for reference.

Breakfast and Lunch Option

We're working on options for our online students to receive breakfast and lunch from food service. Pricing will be based on free and reduced lunch status. The first step in this process is to complete the [free and reduced meals application](#). The Food Service 2020-2021 start up letter can be found [here](#).

If you are interested in your child(ren) receiving breakfast or lunch while learning online, please read the directions on and fill out the Google Form linked [here](#). Note, if you wish to pick up breakfast or lunch the first four weeks of school, you'll need to have the form completed by August 28th.

Middle School Encore Selection (Grades 7-8)

If you have a middle school student, please [click here](#) to select the two options you wish to take as year long encores. We will do our best to honor the selections, but there are some caps on enrollment. Please have this completed by August 28th or students will be automatically enrolled.

Note from the Principal



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As we begin this school year, I thought it might be helpful to share my thoughts on how we can forge a positive relationship, focused on the success of your student. In that spirit, I will offer the following statements:

You can count on me:

- To exhibit a caring attitude and positive regard for all of our students
- To visibly demonstrate my belief that every student can learn
- To listen carefully, and investigate any concerns fully
- To return your phone call or email within two school days (excepting emergencies)

I'll count on you:

- To realize my focus as the building leader is to make decisions that are in the best interest of all students
- To support my daily priority of observing, teaching, and learning in classrooms, understanding that means I may not be immediately available in the office
- To understand that I will be unable to disclose information about other students to you
- To contact the adult closest to your concern first (e.g. a teacher or coach)

As a parent, you play an integral role in the success of our school, these expectations are intended to help us function at the highest level as a team. As you and I work together to support your student's experience this year, I invite you to call or email bill.cataldo@csredhawks.org with any questions or concerns.