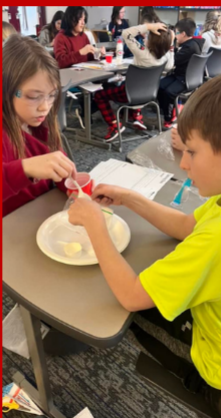
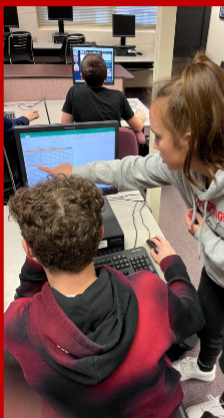


February 2023

# RED HAWK MONTHLY



A monthly update for parents with students at Cedar Springs Public Schools

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## A Message From Our Superintendent

Dear Cedar Springs Parents and Staff,

It is an exciting time of the year in the work of Cedar Springs Public Schools. While we remain focused on the current school year, we have started looking ahead at planning for 2023-2024. Counselors and students at the high school and middle school will soon be scheduling classes for next year. We have several positions posted and will begin interviewing shortly. We are getting a

head start on our hiring process to find the best people to support our students, families and staff next year. Lastly, we are preparing for several facility changes due to construction and reconfiguration.

If you have ever gone through a significant remodeling project at home, you can relate to how interesting it can be to have construction occurring in a place you are trying to live. Major construction projects will continue to impact Red Hawk Intermediate and the high school over the next six months. We will do everything possible to minimize these construction projects impact on classroom instruction.



We are also changing how we use Red Hawk Intermediate School in 2023-2024. The change will enable us to use our facilities more efficiently. Starting next year, 6th and 7th grade students will call the middle school home. Red Hawk Intermediate will serve our 8th graders and our preschool programs. As those transition plans are finalized in the coming weeks, we will provide more details to our families.

It has been rewarding to watch our students heat things in the classroom, the court and under the lights on the stage this winter. We look forward to watching student learning, daily attendance for both students and staff, and the temperatures increase steadily over the next six weeks. It continues to be a great time to be a Red Hawk!

With respect and appreciation,

Scott B. Smith  
Superintendent  
Cedar Springs Public Schools

# DISTRICT CALENDAR

## Important Dates

### **Band Pre-Festival Concert (High School Auditorium)**

7th and 8th grade bands, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, and Jazz band.

Tuesday, Feb. 14, 7 p.m.

### **Mid-Winter Break for Students**

Friday, Feb. 17-21, 2023

### **Preschool Information Meeting (Cedar Trails Elementary School)**

Tuesday, Feb. 28, 6-8 p.m.

### **Board of Education Meetings (3rd floor, Hilltop in the Board of Education Room)**



Monday, February 27, 6:15 p.m.

Monday, March 13, 6:45 p.m.

### **Cedar Springs High School Presents: You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown**

March 23, 24 and 25 at 7 p.m.

March 26 at 2 p.m.

[Purchase tickets](#)

# **WE ARE RED HAWKS**

## **Living History**

Mrs. Sargent's class at Cedar View Elementary learned about Michelangelo and his painting on the Sistine Chapel ceiling as part of their CKLA unit. Students were "transported" back to 1508-1512, where they experienced what it would have been like to paint on the ceiling!

What a fun way of active learning for our students!



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## **A Sweet Treat**

Seniors Ella and Ashleigh both attend Kent Career Tech Center with a focus on Pastry. For one of their final group projects, they needed to create and deliver a three-tiered vanilla wedding cake filled with blackberry mousse and vanilla buttercream.

Enrollment to attend Kent Career Tech Center (for 10th and 11th grade students) in the 2023-2024 school year opened on Tuesday, Feb. 7. High school students can reach out to their counselor for more information or visit the [high school KCTC webpage](#).



# STUDENT SERVICES

## Red Hawks Care

### Rules for Fighting Fair

Every sport has rules to keep the players safe. We know rules are needed for sports, but we often have no rules for navigating relational conflict. Without rules, conflict is a little like a football game with no penalties, no referees and no helmets. Consider establishing fair fighting rules for your home.



**Read the full article: Establishing Fair Fighting Rules with Your Partner**

Red Hawks Care is our School Assistance Program. The program is available to all staff, students, and their households for **FREE**. If you need support for any life concern, call today to utilize the FREE counseling sessions provided with [Red Hawks Care School Assistant Program](#). Call 800.442.0809 and PRESS 1 to schedule an appointment.

Information above is provided by Pine Rest.



# RED HAWK ATHLETICS

## Hall of Fame Class of 2023

On Friday, February 3, the Cedar Springs High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2023 celebrated their awards at a special ceremony in the high school cafeteria. The celebration included stories and laughter as the inductees were honored.

The former athletes were recognized later in the evening by students, parents, and the Cedar Springs community attending the girls' and boys' Varsity basketball games in the Red Hawk Gymnasium.

[Read about our inductees here!](#)

## Hall of Fame Inductees - CSHS



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Cherry Health Resources

Cherry Health's Cedar Springs Schools Health Center is located in Red Hawk Intermediate School. Their care providers are ready to see children and young adults ages 5-22 for:

- Sports physicals
- Well-child visits
- Sick visits
- Counseling

- And more

All are welcome regardless of insurance status or ability to pay.  
Call 616-696-3470 to make an appointment today!

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