



# The Howler



MAY 2024 Issue

**Important Numbers :** **Front Desk:** 281-373-2303 **Fax:** 281-373-2304

## Calendar of May

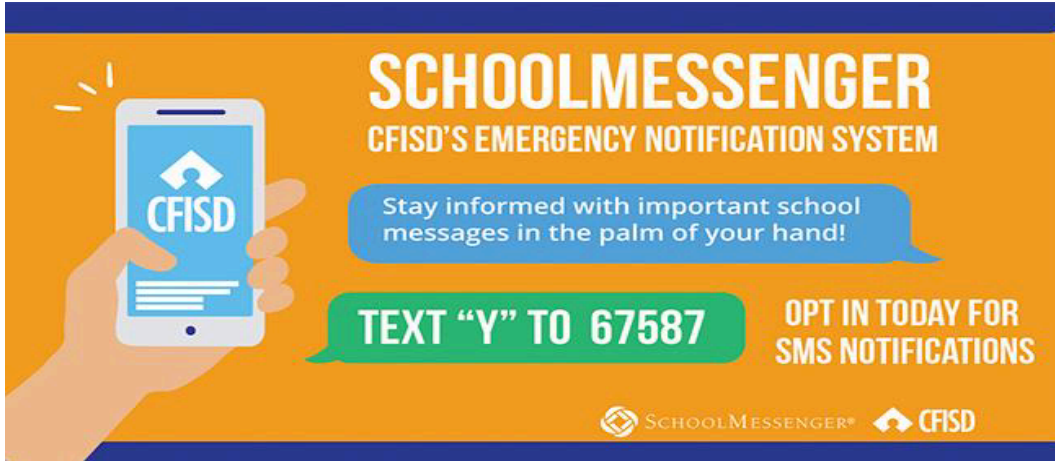
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Vips @ Berry Center	2	3 Spirit Shop  Deadline For EOY fast pass	4
5	6 Willie's Spirit night  Teacher appreciation week	7 4 & 5th Choir concert	8 3rd Grade Field trip	9 Last Day for Lunch Visitors	10 P-K Splash Day Pk/ K orientation Kinder Musical Last Day scan for Parties	11
12	13	14	15 Marco's Spirit Night	16 5th Field Field Trip Main Event (Student only)	17	18
19	20 All 5th laptops and cords returned to Woodard	21 5th Awards ceremony @ Aragon 6:00PM	22 WoW Rally	23	24 Senior walk @ 3:00 PM	25
26	27 Student & Staff Holiday	28	29	30	31 EOY Parties CLINIC: Medication Pick up by 2:00 PM or disposed	

College Day is Every Wednesday

## Principal's Messages

Parents,

We are asking that you opt into school messenger. This is where important messages will be sent from. Thank you for helping us keep the communication lines open.



## Important Reminders:



### For the End of the Year:

- **Car riders start at 8:10 and run until 8:40**, when our staff needs to return to their regular duty. Class starts promptly at 8:45 AM.
- If your student(s) needs to be checked out after 3:00 PM, please send a note with your student to school or fax one to 281-373-2304. You can always swing by and drop one off if needed. We do not accept emails per district policy.
- Our last Spirit shop will be May 3rd, remember that we don't accept cash drop offs at the front desk. You may send it to school with the student or bring it during their lunch time.
- The last day for **lunch visitors is May 9, 2024**. This allows our staff time to prepare for the end of the year events coming up.

**End of the year Party information see below link.**

[Party information](#)

- **Last day to turn in form is May 3rd**
- **Last Day to Scan license is May 10th**

# [24-25 School supply Lists](#)

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yi7\\_ZZNOn5HgrbI6Xrqf9SD-UpswgkpJ/view?usp=drive link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yi7_ZZNOn5HgrbI6Xrqf9SD-UpswgkpJ/view?usp=drive_link)



## Nurses Corner

Link to the Nurses' webpage: [Clinic Website](#)

School Nurse: Denise Knippers RN

Clinic # 281-213-8240 | Fax # 281-373-2304 | Main # 281-373-2303

Email [denise.knippers@cfisd.net](mailto:denise.knippers@cfisd.net)



### What is happening in

- **Immunizations/Vaccinations: GET A HEAD START!!!**  
**New Pre-K going to Kinder, New Kinder students & 5th Graders turning 11 going to 6th grade for 24-25 school year:**
  - [Local Immunization Clinics](#)
- **Is your student going to Kindergarten or 5th Grade in the 2024 -2025 school year?** Get a head start and send a copy, email ([denise.knippers@cfisd.net](mailto:denise.knippers@cfisd.net)) or upload a copy of your students updated immunization records. [UPLOAD HERE](#)
  - Students will not be able to start school year of 2024 -2025 without an updated immunization record.
  - Send any updated immunization records via link - [UPLOAD IMMUNIZATION](#)
- **Medication at school:** All medications must be brought to school by a parent or guardian in an unopened, age appropriate container. This includes cough drop, Tylenol, prescription medication and etc. The clinic cannot accept or administer holistic, vitamins or non FDA approved medications. To review policy follow link here - [Medication Policy](#)
  - **All medications currently in the clinic will need to be picked up by the students guardian no later than May 31, 2024 by 2:00PM. Any medication left in the clinic will be disposed of according to CFISD policy. The clinic cannot store any medication in the clinic once the school year is over.**
- **Emergency Medication must include an Action Plan for 2024-2025:** Bring at meet the teacher in the fall.
- Action Plans, **Medication Policy** & More available at <https://www.cfisd.net/domain/788> Additional forms will be available. Review [Medication Policy](#) before bringing medication to school.
- **VIPS Hearing Training Class**
  - Thursday 5/16/24 from 9:30-1:30 @ Dr. Mark Henry Building Conference Room F. **Limited seats available**

- Sign up link (by the campus nurse):  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E45AFA92AAAFc1-48979737-vips>

### LINKS:

[CLINIC WEBSITE](#) | [KEEPING SICK STUDENTS HOME](#) | [MEDICATION POLICY](#)  
[UPLOAD LAB/MD HERE](#) | [UPLOAD FORMS](#) | [UPLOAD IMMUNIZATIONS](#)



## News

All library books were due April 24th. If you have any Woodard library books at home, please send them back to school with your child. Notices for late or lost books have been distributed through your child's teachers. If you need to pay for a lost or damaged book, please send cash (exact amount) or a check made payable to Woodard Elementary. Thank you for your help with library books.

## Clubs

The website has all our club information on it. You will need to watch for the school cash link that will be emailed out when the club sponsors make them available. If you need help setting up the school cash Please click this link for more information. We will only use school Cash for Payment

[https://www.cfid.net/cms/lib/TX50000664/Centricity/Domain/1045/Online\\_payments\\_English.pdf](https://www.cfid.net/cms/lib/TX50000664/Centricity/Domain/1045/Online_payments_English.pdf)

In an effort to help the clubs we are asking **that only the student enrolled in the club be dropped off or stay after school.** These activities are before and after school so only the Club sponsors will be here at that time to watch the children. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

## Dates: will be updated close to the new school year!

Choir-  
Drumline-  
Pup Squad-  
Pom Squad-  
Dance Team-  
Volleyball-  
Wolves on the Run  
Yearbook Team-  
Young men of distinction

## Counselor's Update

### Summer Credit-By-Exam

Students in grades K-5 will have four opportunities during the school year to use “credit-by-exam” to accelerate to another grade level. Students will only have one opportunity to test for each grade level considered. Testing will begin with mathematics, followed by reading/language arts and science, if required. Students who meet the criteria \_ [score of 80% or better on each subtest of the exam] \_ may advance one grade level.

### Summer Testing (June & July)

- Testing will be conducted in a districtwide setting.
- Students who want to skip grades K-5 will be tested in June or July.
  - Grade placement will be made at **the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year**.
  - Results will be shared by the campus counselor and a follow-up letter will be sent from the campus. Letters will be prepared by the district.
  - **Please check the district website for more information on CBE.**  
<https://www.cfisd.net/Page/1823>
  - **If you have any questions about credit by exam, please contact our school counselors Reuberta Bitz or Robert Rankin.**
  - [reuberta.bitz@cfisd.net](mailto:reuberta.bitz@cfisd.net) or [robert.rankin@cfisd.net](mailto:robert.rankin@cfisd.net)

## STAAR Testing

### Review the STAAR Testing Dates below:

- April 16th- 5th/4th Reading
- April 17th- 3rd Reading and make-up testing
- April 18th- 5th Science and make-up testing
- April 19th - last day for make-ups Reading/Science
- April 23rd - 5th/4th Math
- April 24th-Math and make-up testing
- April 25th- Make-up testing
- **May 5th**- last day for make-up testing

\*In CFISD there is no such thing as opting out of State Testing. During the testing window, your child will be presented with the state test that is posted on the Texas Education Agency website calendar. If your child is absent on the testing date, we are required to present them with the test upon their return to the campus.

House Bill 4545 was passed during the legislative session in 2021. This legislation requires the school district/schools to provide 30 hours of accelerated instruction in reading and/or math based upon your child's unsuccessful performance on the state test. This includes our 5th grade students that transition

to middle school.

In the past 5th graders have had the opportunity to take the exam up to 3 times. This is no longer the case. They will only have 1 opportunity to take the exam and pass as noted on the schedule above. Failure to pass the exam will result in accelerated instruction as well as possibility of losing an elective and/or other privileges based upon the middle school policy.

Another important point of this legislative session is that student's retention/placement/promotion criteria are no longer dependent upon our 5th graders passing the state testing exam. As has been the case in previous years, students are to maintain a 70 + average in reading/writing, math, science, and social studies to be promoted to the next grade level.

### **STAAR Testing Cellphone/SmartWatch Notification**

Please click on the link below and review the **district policy on STAAR testing days regarding cell phones and smart watches during STAAR testing.**

**PLEASE DO NOT SCHEDULE ANY DOCTOR OR DENTAL APPOINTMENTS ON THIS DAY, AS STUDENTS NEED THE ENTIRE DAY TO FOCUS ON THEIR STATE ASSESSMENTS.**

## **Volunteers**



**VOLUNTEERS** When you are volunteering on campus, please notify the front desk receptionist so your hours can be logged as volunteer time. If you volunteer after hours or weekends, you can log your hours manually. Visit the volunteer page at <https://apps.raptortech.com/Volunteer/Login/MzYxOIZvbHVudGVlcjplbi1VUw==>

Woodard uses the "Raptor System" to log volunteer hours. This assists us in getting you the recognition you deserve and an invitation to the **VIPS Appreciation Event April 26th**. Also, it is a portion of the annual report we submit to the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Trustees. We want the community to know how valuable our volunteers are, and how much they assist in the success of our school.

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## **Important Links**

- Woodard [website link](#) for all up-to-date school info.
- [Parent Information Card](#) for quick reference school information.
- The Howler** (Parent Newsletter) and Important Flyers [link](#).
- [School Messenger link](#)—To receive District and Woodard updates via email, phone

messages, and texts.

- School Cash** to [register](#) and pay for items when those events come due.
- School Clubs** [link](#).
- PTO Newsletter** [link](#).
- PTO Facebook** [link](#).



•PTO Sign-Up Genius for all Volunteer Opportunities [link](#).

•PTO REMIND 101 @woodardpto