



The Howler



NOVEMBER 2023 Issue

Important Numbers : Front Desk: 281-373-2303

Fax: 281-373-2304

Calendar for November

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 YMOD @ 7:55 AM Tutoring @ 8:00am	2 Pup Squad Yearbook Tutoring @ 8:00am	3 Woodard Spirit Shop Winter Party FastPass goes Home	4
5	6 Professional day No students	7 Professional day No students	8 Tutoring @ 8:00am Chick fil-a Spirit Night 9823 Barker cypress Cy-Hope-Can Food drive ends Volleyball	9 Tutoring @ 8:00am Pup Squad Yearbook	10 Veterans Day Program. Starts @ 8:00 am Choir Drumline	11
12	13 Pom Squad Dance Team Practices Kinder 50th day	14	15 Tutoring @ 8:00am Volleyball Marcos Pizza 4th Gr. Box Night	16 Tutoring @ 8:00am Pup Squad Yearbook	17 Field Day No visitor Volunteers only	18
19	20 Student / Staff Holiday	21 Student/staff Holiday	22 Student/staff Holiday	23 Student/staff Holiday	24 Student/staff Holiday	25
26	27 Pom Squad Dance Team Practices	28	29 YMOD @ 7:55am Tutoring @ 8:00am Volleyball	30 Yearbook PUP Squad 7:45 AM Tutoring @ 8:00am		

Wednesdays = College Day
Fridays = Spirit Day

Principal's Message

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!



Winter Party Fastpass has gone home!

The Form has been sent out on Yellow Paper. The information sheet is yours to keep and the form will need to be sent back. Please send only one form per family. The Non- Guardian form at the bottom will only need to be filled out if someone other than the Parents are taking the student(s) home. An example of this is if a grandparent is coming and taking the student home. You would fill out the form at the Bottom and the parent would sign the form. If you have any questions please feel free to call the front office at 281-373-2303.

Field Day is coming up on November 17th

It will be a **No Visitor Day** except for Volunteers.

Important Reminders:

- You must have valid identification to enter the building and to check out students. Forms that are accepted- Driver license or Passports that can be scanned not a copy on your phone.
- Staff ID badges will only be accepted if visiting and signing into campus as district visitors. The above will apply if you are here as a parent.



- When arriving at the campus please be patient when checking in as we have a limit to how many people can be in the front office at once. If you have to wait a few minutes, we apologize in advance.



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



What is happening in the clinic:

- Please send any Vision, Hearing, Spinal or AN referrals back to the clinic. If your student is under the care of a specialist or you prefer to waive the referral please complete the bottom of the referral form and return as soon as possible.
- Send any updated **immunization** records via link - [UPLOAD IMMUNIZATION](#) or a paper copy with your student.
- **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, bug repellent and prescription medication. The clinic cannot accept or administer holistic, vitamins or non FDA approved medications. *To review policy follow link here - [Medication Policy](#)*
 - Emergency Medication must include Action Plan for 2023-2024
 - 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.
- Remember to keep kids home when showing signs of any illness. If they have fever, vomiting, diarrhea they must stay home at least 24 hours without medication before they can return to school.
- Any student testing positive for COVID 19 needs to be reported to the clinic at denise.knippers@cfisd.net. Include in email the following:
 - Student ID
 - Student's First and Last Name
 - Grade
 - Parent Full Name
 - Date of Birth
 - Home Address
 - Date Symptoms Started
 - Date of test
 - Lab or doctors note if available
 - You will receive an email from the clinic with a return date.

LINKS:

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



News

Book Fair- Our Fall book fair ended Monday, October 23rd. Thank you to all of our families who supported the library! We love being able to keep our book vending machine well stocked and bring new books into the library.

Veterans Day- A huge thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with our 2023 Veterans Day Program!!!

Name That Book...Name that Book is a reading contest for 3rd-5th graders in CFISD. The program is designed to encourage students to read books from a variety of authors and genres. Students who are interested will have an opportunity to participate in contests based on their knowledge of the books on the NTB list. The 100 books on the NTB list were selected by CFISD librarians as the top picks for 3rd-5th graders. If your student is interested in participating in NTB they are encouraged to read as many of the 100 books on the list as possible. On November 30th, we will have a "Quiz" to determine which students make one of the Name That Book teams. Happy Reading!!

Name That Book List

<https://www.cfisd.net/cms/lib/TX50000664/Centricity/Domain/2639/23-24%20NTB.pdf>

Extra Curricular Activities

Our school 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.

https://www.cfisd.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.

Pom Squad - Mondays @ 7:45am (drop off starts at 7:25 am)

Dance Team - Mondays @ 4:15-5:20 PM- Late Pick up being @5:30 PM

Pup Squad- Thursday @ 7:45 AM

Choir - Fridays @ 7:45 AM

Drumline - Fridays @ 7:50 AM

Young men Of Distinction - Wednesdays @ 7:55 AM. November 1st and November 29th this month.

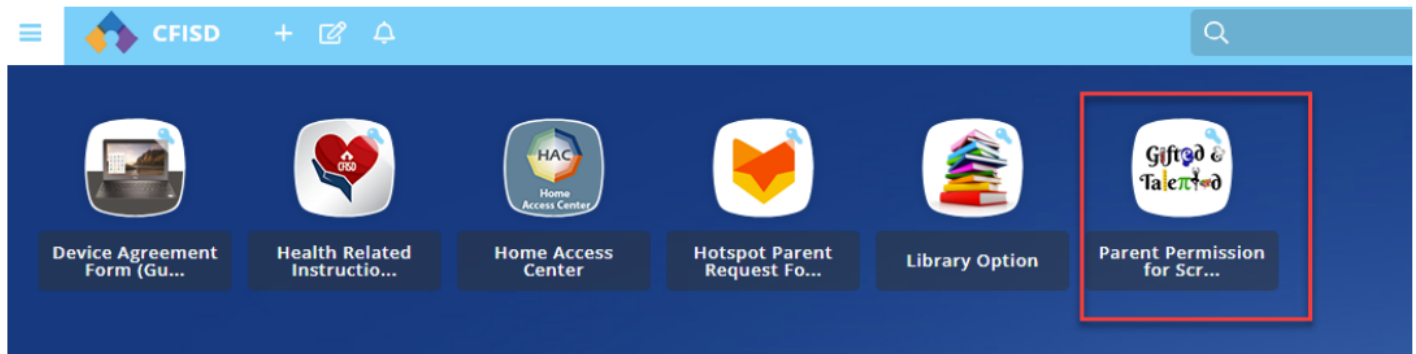
Yearbook - Thursdays @ 7: 45am

Counselor's Update:

Testing:

Gifted and Talented Program Identification Notice to Parents of Current Students in Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

Cypress-Fairbanks ISD provides Mid-year screening for students in grades 1 – 11 to receive gifted and talented services through the HORIZONS program if they are enrolled at a CFISD campus. Students whose referral is received by the last school day in November may be included in the Mid-year testing process and students may be referred at any time. Students must meet the following criteria: • The student has NOT participated in an identification assessment during the same school year • The student has NOT been previously identified at an out-of-state or Texas public or charter school
Note: New students who have been previously identified as gifted and talented from out-of-state and Texas public or charter schools are eligible to receive services in CFISD once previous GT placement can be verified and parent permission is provided. Parents must provide a copy of the student's notification of qualification and placement within the gifted and talented program from the former school district AND a copy of all test results used for screening. Testing will not be administered if the student has been previously identified. Parents/guardians interested in requesting screening for their student to receive gifted and talented services should complete the online acknowledgement to include the characteristics of a gifted child, permission to test, and permission for services located in the Gifted and Talented link in the parent portal of the Home Access Center by the **due date November 30, 2023.**



Testing and Screening for the Gifted and Talented Program

- Testing will occur in the Spring during the district testing window at a date to be determined by the campus.
- Student Score Reports and notification of qualification/placement will be available for view in the parent portal of the Home Access Center.
- Students whose scores qualify for identification will begin receiving services the following school year upon confirmation of placement.
- Students whose scores do not qualify may not be referred again for testing until the next school year. (Students may test only once per year.)
- Students who do not qualify for services may appeal the placement decision to the campus Selection Committee. Information regarding the appeals process is available from the elementary Counselor or secondary Director of Instruction.

Note: Appeals for entry should be based on significant advanced abilities consistently demonstrated in the classroom and supported by academic and performance data not evidenced by HORIZONS screening scores. Additional criteria for an appeal include:

- illness immediately before or during testing with documentation of the illness
- emotional duress due to a family crisis during testing with documentation
- accommodations not provided during testing for students with special needs

Attention,
CURRENT CFISD STUDENTS
Grades 1-11

Gifted and Talented Screening
Referrals

due by Nov. 30, 2023
for the mid-year testing cycle

This opportunity applies only to students who have not participated in screening this school year.

Visit Elementary Campus Counselor or Secondary Director of Instruction for more details.

PBIS

Families this month we are sharing a valuable tool that was provided to us by our district student service team regarding how to identify bullying. Please take a look at the links provided. These are great resources.

[Parent Resources](#)
[Bullying Checklist](#)

Volunteers

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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/MzYxOlZvbHVudGVlcjplbi1VUw==>

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