

Eagle Update

Enjoy
The
Beautiful Fall
Weather!!!

Family Resource Center
Hours of Operation:
7:30-4:00 Monday-Friday
Appointments made upon
request.
Contact: Danielle Haley
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Welcome Pre-school to
the CMZ famiy! We are
so happy to have you
here!

For more great In-
formation about early
childhood and other
great resources please
go to the Grant County
Schools Website and
go to the CMZ Family
Resource Center Page!
[http://
www.grant.kyschools.us/
CMZFamilyResource-
Center.aspx](http://www.grant.kyschools.us/CMZFamilyResource-Center.aspx)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- October.....4th and 5th Grade Student Council Elections
- October 10th-14thFall Break
- October 12th2nd- 5th Grade Basketball Sign-ups DUE
- October 18th..... CMZ Fall Carnival
- October 21st- 25thParent Teacher Conferences
- October 25th Eagle Pride Day
- October 28th-November 1st.....Red Ribbon Week

Thank you!!

For making this
years
Grandparents Day
Special! We had
over **250**
Grandparents in
your school that
day!!

PTT will have pre-sale
2013-2014 School Shirts
on sale during the
Carnival!

Attendance:

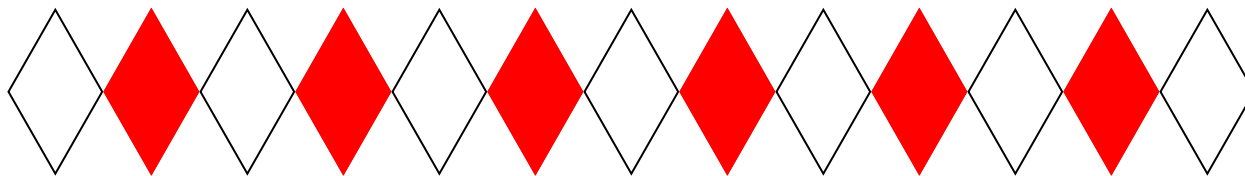
5th Grade	96.75%
4th Grade	97.46%
3rd Grade	97.41%
2nd Grade	96.87%
1st Grade	95.02%
K	95.3%

CONGRATULATIONS to our On
Time Ready to Learn Winners:
Ms. Beighles Class
Ms. Bowens Class
Ms. Birchfields Class
Mr. MorleysClass
Ms. Kinyalocets Class
Ms. Scharfenbergers Class
Be Here and On Time Everyday!!

We want **98% Here and On Time EVERYDAY** here at CMZ! Lets get those numbers up!!!

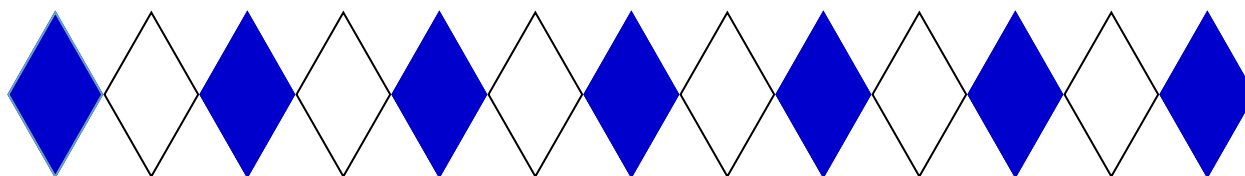
If you are interested in basketball sign-ups the form is attached. The form is due back to school on the 12th of October.

I Believe!



October 2013 CMZ Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Read with your child 20 minutes tonight!	2	3 Reading 20 minutes a day makes great readers!	4	5
6	7 SBDM at CMZ 4pm	8	9 Take an Adventure! Read a book!	10 Enjoy a Family Game Night!	11 — Fall Break — 12	
13	14	15 Read a book together as a family!	16	17 Eat dinner at the table with your family!	18 Fall Carnival at CMZ	19
20	21 Ask your kids about their day!	22	23	24 Draw a family portrait together!	25 Eagle Pride!	26 If it's Beautiful, go to the Park with your Family!
←————— Parent Teacher Conferences —————→						
27	28	29 Ask your child about red ribbon week	30	31 Happy Halloween!		
←————— Red Ribbon Week —————→						



Grant County Elementary Basketball

Cost: \$65

Sign-ups: September 23, 24 or 30 from 7-9pm (Grant County High School)

Or mail/drop off form at:

Attn: Boys' Basketball
715 Warsaw Rd.
Dry Ridge, KY 41035

Or sign-up online at: CoachGBasketball.com (available 9/17)

Money and Form are due by October 12

*Tryouts will be held on 10/19 and 10/26 at Grant County HS
(2nd and 3rd Grade: 4-6pm; 4th and 5th Grade: 6-8pm)*

Player Form (Required)

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Elementary School: _____

T-Shirt Size (Circle One): YS YM YL S M L XL XXL

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GRANT COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

I am interested in coaching a youth basketball team.

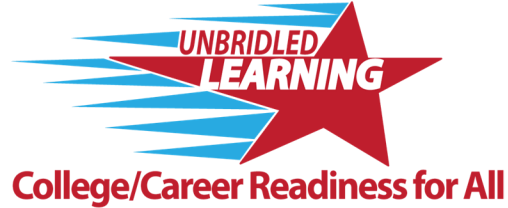
Please feel free to contact Coach Grammer at (859)824-9739 ext. 4404

What do these standards mean for my child?

What a parent can expect from the Common Core (Kentucky Core Academic Standards)

Common Core better prepares your child for success.

The new standards – what your child should know and be able to do at each grade level – are aligned to college- and career-expectations so when your child graduates from high school, he or she will be ready to take the next step into a college/career and be successful.



The Common Core establishes clear expectations for students, including the ability to:

- apply math in real-world situations
- read and analyze both literature and informational text
- construct viable arguments and critique reasoning of others
- solve problems
- communicate effectively

Common Core is one of many changes in Kentucky public schools that when combined are designed to provide a world-class education for all students.

Rigorous standards, aligned assessments, teacher and leader effectiveness, and professional learning and growth of our educators all work together to maximize student potential and ensure college/career-readiness for all students. The system promotes:

- deeper understanding of the key concepts students need to succeed as independent thinkers
- students' ability to apply knowledge to real-world situations
- instruction that places more emphasis on understanding and application as opposed to memorization and test taking

The standards are structured so that students build upon what they learn. Concepts become increasingly complex as the student moves from grade to grade.

Your child will be prepared to compete for the best jobs.

Because the standards are on par with what is being taught in other states and leading countries around the world, your child will be ready for the newest 21st-century jobs and to compete in the global economy.

The Common Core allows for local decision making.

The standards provide a framework for learning expectations; they do not dictate curriculum. The Kentucky Board of Education is responsible for establishing standards in the various content areas. Local school boards, administrators and teachers are responsible for determining how to teach the standards, including selection of instructional materials and instructional practices.

Common Core saves you money.

Because the standards are more rigorous and aligned with college/career expectations, your child is less likely to need remediation in college – courses that cost money but don't count toward a degree. Students who don't have to take these remedial courses are more likely to complete college and earn a degree.

Even if your child doesn't go to college, he or she should be better equipped with the skills they need to land a good paying job and become financially independent at an earlier age.

Common Core is working!

Since implementation of the Common Core (Kentucky Core Academic Standards), we've seen improved college/career-readiness rates, improved graduation rates, lower remediation costs and more successful transitions to college and career.

Common Core assessments more accurately reflect student preparation than previous state tests.

- Test scores dropped the first year under the Common Core, because the standard changed from basic proficiency to college- and career-readiness, which demands more of our students.
- Scores will be low for a few years but start improving the longer the standards are taught. Remember we've raised the bar. Just like a high jumper who is used to clearing six feet, if the bar goes up to 12 feet, it takes them a while to learn what they have to do to clear it. They have to train and refine their technique. It will take time for teachers and students to get used to the more rigorous standards and the kind of teaching and learning they demand. Scores should start to rebound as students build a stronger foundational knowledge based on the standards and educators gain greater experience teaching them.
- The college- and career-readiness standard is aligned with postsecondary expectations and requires more than rote memorization for tests. Students are required to think creatively, critically, reason and solve problems – skills they must learn and that will serve them well in the long run.
- With new state tests, parents should be able to tell as early as 3rd grade if their student is on track for college/career-readiness, and if not, inquire what is being done to get them back on track.
- The results of the Kentucky tests are more closely aligned to results from the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), known as the nation's report card. This national assessment measures student success at a much higher level than most state tests have in the past.
- This is the first step on a path of continuous improvement for districts, schools, teachers and students.
- Stay the course and don't get discouraged by lower test scores. This is the right thing for kids to ensure they are ready for college/career and to compete in a global economy.
- The results from K-PREP and high school End-of-Course exams are crucial to planning and progress. Our schools, districts and the state all review the data when determining how to improve.
- Remember, our focus is on college/career-readiness for all students. Progress toward that goal is being made as reflected in our college/career-readiness rate.

Should you move, your child can pick up where he/she left off.

With more than 45 states implementing the Common Core, if you move, your child won't have to start over with standards based on different expectations at different grade levels leaving them vulnerable to learning gaps. The Common Core is portable.

Despite what detractors want you to believe, Common Core has a lot of support in Kentucky.

A recent poll by the Kentucky School Boards Association (KSBA) revealed more than 90 percent of school boards support Common Core; TELL KY Survey results show that 97 percent of teachers are teaching curriculum aligned with Common Core.

