



SCHOOL INFORMATION & UPDATES

Friday, April 12, 2024

FREE Summer Meals for All Children 18 & Under

CCSD is adding an additional free summer meal site this summer. NEW: Picnic style breakfast and lunch will be available from the parking lot of Prairie Edge. Breakfast and lunch will also be available in the cafeteria at Prairie Heights Elementary. Additional details to follow.

I Owned It! Video Series

Check out a few of the latest videos from our *I Owned It!* video series.

[Jump Rope Ninja Challenge](#)

[MyPath Lessons](#)

[Student-Led Conferences](#)

College Community is in year 9 of our 10 year strategic plan. Our ten-year goal is to create a personalized learning system. **Student ownership is the heart of personalized learning.** The goal of our *I Owned It!* video series is to highlight the engagement and empowerment of our elementary students while educating parents and the community about how Prairie students are taking ownership of their learning from a young age. The early years are a critical start to all students becoming Prairie Ready! We want our students to feel a sense of passion and purpose in learning today for tomorrow. Please enjoy hearing from our elementary students as they share how they are owning their learning. You can access all of our *I Owned It!* videos on the [College Community YouTube Channel](#).

Kindergarten Student Starting Next Year? Building Placements Have Begun

Do you have a kindergarten student who will be starting school next year? Building placements are now being made. If your child will be 5 years old by September 15, 2024, they are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten or AK for the 2024-2025 school year. [Click here](#) to complete the Preliminary Enrollment.

Visit our [Enrollment Page](#) for more information.

No School Monday, April 15

A reminder that there is no school on Monday, April 15. Monday is a Professional Learning Day at College Community Schools.

Volunteer Services

In recognition of the invaluable contributions made by our dedicated volunteers, the College Community School District proudly observes Volunteer Appreciation Week from April 21st to April 27th, 2024. The District Board celebrates and honors the unwavering support and commitment provided by our volunteers, who enhance the education of over 6,000 students with skill, care, compassion, humor, and sensitivity. Each campus building will be celebrating their volunteers in their own unique ways to thank them for their service to our community.

PCA Parent Workshop for Prairie K-12 Parents - April 15th at 7 pm

Prairie has partnered with the Positive Coaching Alliance to bring Prairie K-12 parents an educational opportunity for all parents. We encourage parents to join this Second Goal Sports Parent Zoom workshop on April 15th at 7pm in an effort to continue to grow our "Championship Community" and support coaches, athletes and community in the most positive way. Please register in advance.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEudOyhrz0iHtKaCSKYFneAsFqvqSTCdsel#/registration>

Your PCA Trainers will be: Jessica Crate and Andy Shriver

Spring Activities are Underway

Prairie spring sports are underway. You can find the complete schedule on [Bound](#). Tickets for home events can be purchased online through [Bound](#).

Meal Account Balances

As we approach the end of the school year, please check your student(s) meal account balance. If there is a past due balance, please make a payment to bring the account current. Payments can be made online via [In Touch](#). Parents of College Community School District Students: Login using your Infinite Campus PARENT PORTAL username. If you cannot remember your password, click [Reset Password](#) to reset your password for In Touch. If you have a balance due but feel that your student(s) should be free or reduced, please contact the Food and Nutrition Department at 319-848-5337 or email vscott@crprairie.org. Balances accrued prior to the approval of free or reduced meal benefits are not covered by the approval. Coverage starts the day of approval.

A la Carte Purchases

Students in grades PK - 12 have access to purchase a la carte items that are not included as part of a meal. Examples include but are not limited to; a carton of milk to go with a lunch from home or a second carton to add to a meal, crackers, snacks, additional servings of the main item, and beverages. A student may only make a la carte purchases if their meal account has sufficient funds. A la carte items may be removed by a cashier from a tray for a multitude of reasons such as exceeding a spending limit, an allergy to an item on the tray, or an a la carte block set on an account. Spending limits and blocks are only in place upon request of a parent or guardian. All students, no matter their account balance, may charge a reimbursable breakfast and lunch.