

CRMS Schooner News



Kindness

Responsibility

Self Control

Grit

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday - Friday, May 3-7 - Staff Appreciation Week!
Much love to the CRMS Crew!

Tuesday, May 4 - MEA/NWEA assessment

Monday/Tuesday, May 10-11 - Grade 8 Kieve and Bishopswood Leadership program.

Thursday, May 13 - MEA/NWEA assessment

Thursday, May 20 - 3:40pm-7:20pm, Friday, May 21-7:40am -12:00pm - Student led conferences - **NO SCHOOL**

Tuesday/Wednesday, May 25-26 - MEA Science assessment, Grade 5 & 8.

Monday, May 31 - Memorial Day holiday - **NO SCHOOL**



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Staff Appreciation Week at CRMS!

I've been so fortunate to be the principal for several years in both of my children's schools in Maine and in Baltimore, MD. While not always easy (on them!), I absolutely LOVE the inside view into curriculum and instruction and students' social-emotional development. I also witness how much our children, mine AND yours, are loved, cared for and encouraged to grow! I've always been proud to say my school is a critical partner in helping me raise my children and CRMS is doing a stellar job! The heart and soul our staff commits to our children each day is remarkable! Thank you for ALL the love and support this week (and this year!) from our families.

Here are some of the thank you messages from our parents. These messages were shared each day with staff.

Together, we are better!
Jaime Stone
Principal

What a year it has been! Thank you for opening that beautiful new school so our children could have the academic and social connections school provides. Our kids have been happy to have this place as their touchstone. Without its teachers, a school is just a building, but you all give it a life force! Thank you!
Erin Donovan Mom, 8th, 6th, 5th & Camden Rockport School Alliance

Grateful! One of our mantras over this past year has been "We are so lucky to live where we do". A huge part of that lies in the hands of you, the dedicated, hard-working, fun-loving and pre-teen-wrangling staff of CRMS. Thank you for caring so much, for not giving up and doing everything possible to keep our kids in school. We couldn't be more grateful.
Kate and Mike Pierce, Mom and Dad, grade 7

Most of all, I am appreciative of the spirit and energy of the staff, and the true perseverance you have all modeled for our kids. You have shown them how to still carry on during a pandemic, how to make connections while wearing masks and keeping six feet apart, and how to truly learn, both academically and personally, in these trying circumstances. They believe they can do it because you believe in yourselves and in them. Thank you! Robin Spear Mom, Grade 6 (and 9)

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Thank you for all you have done over the past crazy year to support our students and families! Every day, I think about how lucky we are to live in this district, with amazing teachers and staff who have worked so hard to get a brand-new school up and running in a safe way so our kids could be back in school in person. Plus, you all have spent hours creating corresponding on-line content for those students who were not ready to come back in person – truly supporting the needs of all CRMS families.

Does thank you even begin to cover it? Our family is so very grateful to each and every one of you that have worked so hard to make this year feel somewhat normal for our kids! It's incredible what you have all pulled off and we are deeply grateful! CRMS is a special place and you all contribute every day to make it a safe, fun and welcoming environment for our kids. We love you!
The Cohen Family, Grades 7, (9&12)

Mighty Thanks! We are so grateful for the unwavering dedication that all the staff at CRMS has demonstrated over the past year. It has been just an incredible gift to our children and our families to keep the school doors open 5 days a week throughout this crazy year. Thank you to the bus drivers who safely bring our kids to and from school every day. Thank you to the custodial staff for the above-and-beyond efforts to maintain a safe building for the students to learn in. Thank you to the cafeteria staff who lovingly prepare warm meals every day. Thank you to the administrative staff who have responded to all the twists and turns of a pandemic year with grace and patience. Thank you to Nurse Gretchen for tending to students when they're under the weather. Thank you to all the teachers who do their incredibly complex job with love and kindness for our kids. You are all amazing and so so so appreciated!
The Buchanan Family, Mom grades 7 (and 9)

Many thanks to all the teachers, administrators, custodial staff, bus drivers, cafeteria staff, and school nurses who worked tirelessly to open a new school building in September and have kept it open full-time throughout the school year. We so appreciate your efforts to maintain continuity in our children's education, provide a safe place to promote social connections, and support those students (and their families) not able to attend in person. We are grateful for your unwavering commitment to all the children and families in our community.
Kathryn Holub, Mom grades 6 and 8

Oh, how many times a year do I call the front desk and make a change to the family plan or ask for some help or guidance with my girls. Always grateful for their kindness and assistance! The smile (and wave) on Maggie's face every morning at the crosswalk puts a smile on my sullen teenager's face. Keep up the hard work! And last but not least, Ms. Thorn, you have done a fabulous job jumping in and running with the 5th grade class and making time and space for my preteen. I couldn't raise two girls without the help and support of the CRMS staff all of these past (and future) years. Thank you all!

HERO'S SPIRIT WEEK 2021

CRMS SPIRIT WEEK 2021 WAS A TERRIFIC SUCCESS THANKS TO THE MANY HOURS OF PREPARATION FROM OUR STUDENT COUNCIL AND DEDICATED STAFF WHO WENT THE "EXTRA MILE". A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO CONNOR HOWLAND & TESSA BYRNES FOR THEIR COMMITMENT AND LEADERSHIP!

THE FOOD DONATIONS WERE AMAZING! THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE CAMDEN AREA FOOD PANTRY.

THE PENNY WAR WAS A HUGE SUCCESS. WE COLLECTED \$1212.49 PENNIES, COINS AND DOLLARS. HALF OF THIS MONEY WILL GO TO CHARITY AND HALF WILL GO TO OUR WELLNESS TEAM. A BIG SHOUT OUT TO ROBIN SPEAR & THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK FOR COUNTING EVERYTHING!



CRMS ART CLASS NEWS!



Here's a sampling of cards made by our 8th graders to kick off their 4th quarter art class. Over fifty cards were sent off to residents at Quarry Hill to brighten their day with kindness and beautiful art. The students' cards were inspired by the art of Australian contemporary artist, Pete Cromer.

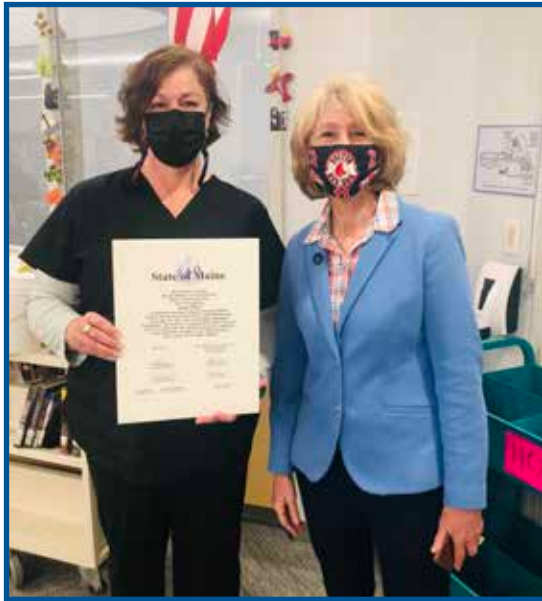


NEW CREW AT CRMS!

Please welcome Shea McCann to our OT crew. He is a level II OT student from Husson University and will be working with CRMS students for the next 12 weeks. Shea hopes to work in pediatrics after he graduates in July.



Please welcome Sonia Bica, our new evening shift custodian! Sonia is always smiling and laughing and enjoys cleaning. She has a daughter and loves spending time with her. Sonia is originally from Albania and has been living in Warren for the past five years.



THANK YOU TO MAINE STATE REPRESENTATIVE, VICKI DOUDERA FOR PRESENTING PRINCIPAL STONE WITH A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION FROM THE MAINE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR BEING NAMED THE 2021 NASSP PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR!

WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU MRS. STONE!



CAFE NEWS

We are welcoming May in the Cafe with some Spring menu items, check out the menu on the website! Pasta salad with Chicken, BLT's and Chef Salads just to name a couple. Come in for breakfast when you get to school, grab a yummy scone and start your day right! All meals continue to be available at no charge! See you in the Cafe!



THE LIONS AND LEOS CLUB *Phone, Eyeglass and Hearing Aid Drive*

The Mid-Coast Leos held a drive in conjunction with schools in District 71 during the month of March. The number of items collected by each school were divided by the student body to determine a participation percentage.

Belfast Area High School truly distinguished themselves as leaders in community service by achieving a winning score of 118%.

Within the Camden Lions jurisdiction MCST collected the most with the youngsters at CRMS closely at their heels.

On behalf of the Mid-Coast Leos as well as the Camden and Belfast Lions Clubs, I would like to thank you for your schools participation in this event.

-Sean Kelly



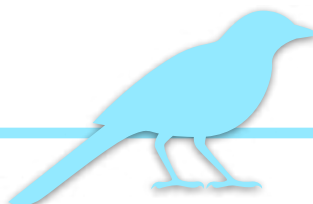
Camden-Rockport wins 2nd Place at Maine Scholastic Team Chess Championship!

On Saturday, April 10th, the Camden-Rockport K-5 Chess Team took second place overall in the Maine Scholastic Team Chess Championship. The team was led by individual overall champion Miles Kaplan, a 5th grader at CRMS, who went undefeated for his third consecutive year at this championship with a perfect score of four wins. Hector Clayton, also in 5th grade, contributed two wins to the team score as well. Other team members included Victor Clayton, who tied for second place individually, as well as Dario Ravelli, Catie Mortlock, Will Kaplan, and Emma Mazur from CRES. Typically played in person, the tournament moved online this year; all games were played on [chess.com](https://www.chess.com) under the supervision of certified U.S. Chess Tournament Directors. Our players were coached by Camden-Rockport K-8 Chess Coach Kate Ervin and Mid-Coast Chess Coach extraordinaire Bruce Haffner (who also coaches players from Lincolnville, Hope, Appleton, and Belfast). The team displayed phenomenal sportsmanship and perseverance during this intellectually demanding event. Please congratulate our players on their success!

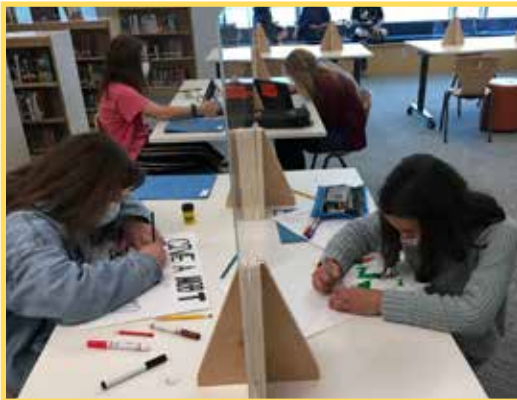
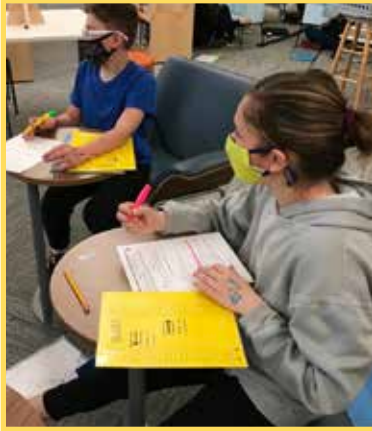


THANK YOU TO MRS. KRISTI HARDY-GILSON'S MULTI-AGE STUDENTS FROM CRES FOR BUILDING A COUPLE OF BEAUTIFUL BIRD HOUSES FOR OUR CAMPUS!! THE BIRDS THANK YOU TOO!

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LIBRARY NEWS



April was a busy month in the CRMS Library! Students checked out 1,614 books. Eighth grade students researched data for their bivariate data and statistics poster and, after vacation, sixth-grade students began Medal of Honor, their World War Two simulation.

Keep Reading!



Congratulations to the 25 CRMS students who put themselves to the test this year competing in Continental Math League meets. Our students were included in one of five national regions and we were very pleased with the results from our first year in this forum--not the top, but certainly not the bottom!

Students attended practice sessions after school and then competed by taking a 30-minute set of questions using only pencil and paper. These questions cover calculations, spatial reasoning, Geometry, and Pre-Algebra topics. They all require careful reading, analysis, and attention to detail. Learning to strengthen these skills is a fantastic way to prepare for future math courses.

***“Let’s do math in record time
3 point one four one five nine
We all do our very best
We’re Math Team CRMS”***



Certificates were awarded at two levels--Distinction and Honorable Mention. The top two scorers on each team (Grade 5 Team, Grade 6 Team and Grade 7-8 Team) received CML medals.

Grade 5 Team Results

Top Scorer: Lucas Gupta
Second Highest: Hector Clayton

Distinction:

August Wells
Keagan Urey
Patrick Seely
Evan Senders
Soren Johnson
Emmett Milliken
Sam Blystone
Eve Domareki
Eva Vickerman

Honorable Mention

Miles Kaplan
Ethan Lantz
Samantha Shramm
Sam Bernadino

Grade 6 Team Results

Top Scorer: Carver Heyniger
Second Highest: Jack Stephenson

Distinction

Amelia Mills
Graham Stoughton

Honorable Mention

Baxter Thackeray

7th-8th Grade Team Results

Top Scorer: Miles Gupta
Second Highest: Walter Field

Distinction:

Matias Doman
Sasha Borodaenko

Honorable Mention

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The team was coached by Dr. Mary Smyth, a high school math teacher at Watershed School in Camden. She has taught math and SAT prep since the year vaccine-eligible students were born. (That’s a math problem for you!)

Dr. Smyth can be reached by email at mary.smyth@watershed-school.org or you can find out more about math teaching and learning on her webpage here: <https://sites.google.com/a/watershed-school.org/mary-smyth/Online-Tutoring>



THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR INCREDIBLY GENEROUS AND THOUGHTFUL PARENTS, STUDENTS, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION AND CAMDEN ROCKPORT PARENT ALLIANCE FOR SENDING IN FLOWERS, DONATIONS, COFFEE, INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED TREATS AND FOR THE WELCOMING SIDEWALK CHALK ART TO KICK OFF STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK. WE HAVE ALL FELT THE LOVE AND ARE SO GRATEFUL TO OUR CRMS COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!



Join us for the Ride of Silence



Every year, the [International Ride of Silence](#) is held to honor vulnerable road users who have been injured or killed by traffic violence while bicycling, to raise awareness that bicyclists have a legal right to use the road, and to remind motorists to respectfully share the road with all users.

This year's event will be on **Wednesday, May 19 at 7 p.m.**, and Maine currently has rides scheduled in Augusta, Lewiston, Portland, Rockland, and Saco.

As the official Maine state coordinator for the Ride of Silence, the Bicycle Coalition of Maine is hosting a [webpage](#) where you can find information about all the ride locations, general guidelines, registration details, and COVID protocols in place.

The BCM is also hosting the Portland ride, for which [registration is NOW OPEN](#). If you're interested in this ride, here are the details:

Location: CycleMania Parking Lot - 65 Cove Street, Portland, ME

Please DO NOT park vehicles at CycleMania. Use the Park & Ride on Marginal Way or the lot at 1 Diamond Street (across from Coffee By Design).

Check-in: 6:30 p.m.

Ceremony: 6:50 p.m.

Ride: 7:00 p.m.

The ride distance is 3 miles, ride speed does not exceed 10 mph, and there are no drops. For more information on the International Ride of Silence and all the Maine locations, [please visit this link](#)—and check back for updates!



CHRHS's Annual Plant Sale!

Last year our regular plant sale did not take place but we were able to get plants to lots of people and donated lots of money to great organizations that are working to build a strong food system. This year we are back to our somewhat normal plant sale. We have had a small but awesome crew of students hard at work to have as many different types of plants available for sale.

The Horticulture & Gardening class's annual sale will take place Saturday, May 15 and Sunday, May 16 at the greenhouse on campus. The sale always takes place the weekend after Mother's Day. The greenhouse is located in back near the loading dock area of the school. Please be aware that we will be limiting the number of people in the greenhouse and masks will be required so you may want to factor in a little extra time for your visit.

We will have lots of vegetable and herb seedlings as well as a wide variety of annuals and perennials. All plants are grown using organic practices and do really well once planted. There are always new varieties, including heirlooms.

In addition to plants we hope to have bags of compost for sale. We are currently assessing whether it is ready for distribution. Each bag is about 40lbs, is high quality, organic compost and sell for \$6 each.

Sale takes place Saturday, May 15 from 8am – 1 pm and on Sunday, May 16 from 9am - noon. All containers are \$3 each. Buy 3 and get a 4th for free. On Sunday everything is buy one, get one free from 9-11 and the last hour everything is \$1.

All proceeds support the Horticulture/ Gardening & Sustainability programs at CHRHS!!

We hope to see you there!





Review your **Asthma Action Plan** and/or **Anaphylaxis Action Plan**. Check your medicines for expiration dates or doses remaining. Review how to use your medicines (including **asthma inhalers** or **epinephrine auto-injectors**).

From the Health Desk

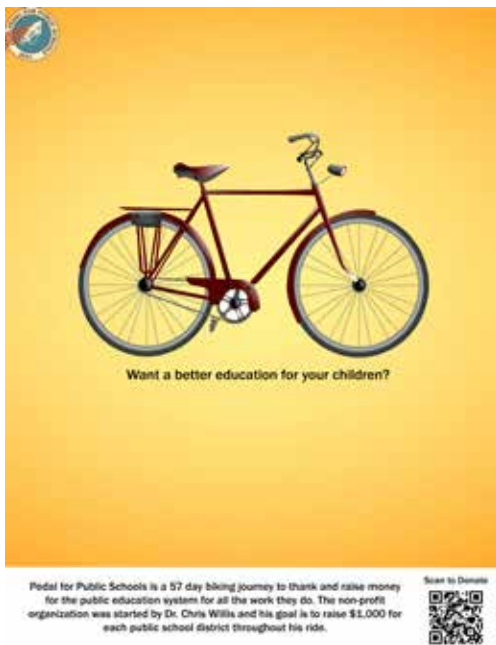
Does your child have severe allergies that require emergency medication? Do you have an Emergency Action Plan/ Individualized Health Plan on file with the school nurse? If you are unsure, please contact me to be sure it is up to date and/or call your child's doctor and ask them to fax the information to CRMS. Thank you!

Gretchen Kuhn, RN. gretchen.kuhn@fivetowns.net 236-7805 x 2108 FAX# 236-7815



WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO THE CIRCLE K
IN ROCKPORT FOR THEIR GENEROUS
DONATION OF 7,500 MASKS TO OUR
SCHOOL DISTRICT!

*Thank you Tana Jacques and all those who
contributed!*



Professor Gives Back to Public Education by Cycling Across the United States

Beginning June 6, 2021, Bowling Green State Professor Dr. Chris Willis will embark on a solo cross country cycling expedition across the northern United States to raise money for the 51 school districts that host him along the way.

Willis will be embarking on the Adventure Cycling Association's preplanned [Northern Tier Route](#). The route begins in Anacortes, Washington, and ends in Bar Harbor, Maine. He chose this route because it goes through his university's home city of Bowling Green, Ohio and many scenic areas.

"I love cycling because it is intimate. You're seeing the country at a slow pace," said Willis, "I have driven across the country

before, but it will be exciting to experience it in a new way."

In 2017, Willis, a product of the United States' public education system, decided to cycle across America. Not long after making the decision, he decided to create the Pedal for Public Schools campaign to raise money for public school districts to bring more significance to his ride.

"I want to continue the story of how much power the public schools have," Willis said, "There's a lot of great people who wouldn't be here without the help of others within those schools. Those are the people I'm trying to honor with this ride."


Pedal for Public Schools is a self-funded initiative to thank public schools for their work in educating America's youth. Willis's goal is to write each school district a check to do with as they please. The school districts selected for the donation were decided based on his cycling route.

"My goal at the end of my ride is to get off my bike and start writing checks as a donation from Pedal for Public Schools for their school boards and superintendents to do with it as they wish," Willis said, "I'm not putting any strings on the donation."

"I am privileged to be in a position where...I am able to take this trip, that is all of the more reason that I make sure that I am giving back," Willis said, "I would love to get to a minimum of \$51,000 so I can write 51 \$1,000 checks."


Throughout his journey across the United States, Willis's son will be supporting him. During the ride, Willis will be wearing a GPS device on his bike for his supporters to follow him throughout his trip.

Follow Willis on his journey across the United States on the [Pedal for Public School's](#) Facebook page. To donate to the Pedal for Public School's campaign, go to the campaign's Fundly page.




MOUNTAINSEA EXPEDITIONS


SUMMER PROGRAMS 2021



BEST of the MIDCOAST: rising 5th & 7th graders



SEA KAYAKING EXPEDITION: rising 8th-10th graders



SAILING EXPEDITION: rising 9th graders



EXPLORERS CLUB: 1st-3rd graders

FOR MORE INFO: MOUNTAINSEAEXP.COM

THE CAMDEN AREA CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY

FOOD INSECURITY?

The Camden Area Christian Food Pantry is open for all families in the Camden, Rockport, Appleton, Hope and Lincolnville area to provide families with a healthy supply of nutritious food.

Thanks to the generosity of Good Shepherd Food Bank, Hannaford's, and many local donors, we have meat, eggs, milk, canned goods, bread and pastries, produce, personal necessities, and other goods available each week.



OPEN
TUESDAYS 8AM - 11AM
THURSDAYS 4PM - 6PM
 128 Mt. Battie Street Camden

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Thank you for attending the virtual community viewing of 'LIKE'!

Learn More


[How Using Social Media Affects Teenagers](#)
[The Influence of Social Media on Teen Substance Use](#)
[Digital Citizenship Education](#)
[Social Media Addiction](#)
[Social Media & Mental Health](#)

[How to Keep Your Teen \(or Tween\) Safe Online](#)
[Center For Humane Technology Family & Educator Resources](#)
[Center For Humane Technology's #MySocialTruth](#)

[Five Tips for Helping Teens Manage Technology](#)
[Parents' Ultimate Guide to Parental Controls](#)
[Cellphone Parenting](#)
[Parent Information Night Screen Media Presentation; Lauren Levesque, Technology Integrator](#)


App Specific

[Snapchat Support; Law Enforcement](#)
[Snapchat Support; Parent's](#)
[Apple Screen Time Usage](#)
[A Parent's Guide to Dealing With Fortnite](#)
[Parents' Ultimate Guide to Snapchat](#)



This event was sponsored by Partners for Healthier Communities, a community coalition working to implement evidence-based programs, policies & interventions to prevent substance use for all youth in Western York County, Maine.
 kmalloy@smhc.org

All panelists were provided by Sanford School System



You're Invited to Explore GIRL SCOUTS



Join us for a FREE event where you will learn how to start plants from seeds, the importance of pollinators, and how you can use your new green thumb to make a difference in the community! All in a safe, girl-led environment.

During this event we will:

- ◆ Learn about gardening, pollinators, and how you can help your community.
- ◆ Explore how you can participate in Girl Scouts locally and virtually.
- ◆ Discover the importance of the inclusive, all-girl environment of Girl Scouts where girls try new things, develop skills, take on leadership roles, and make new friends.

WHEN:

WHERE:

WHO:
 Girls currently in Pre-K to 3rd grade* and their caregivers.
**Girls must be in kindergarten and age 5 by 10/15/21*

RSVP REQUIRED:
girlscoutsofmaine.org/newmembersignupevents



READY TO JOIN NOW?
 Register today at girlscoutsofmaine.org/join

girl scouts of maine

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