



CRPS BEAR NEWS

September 29, 2017

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Bearcub families,

It is with tremendous relief that I write this letter this month, knowing that we expected the worst but were spared the wrath of Hurricane Irma. Not all of our families made it through the storm unscathed, but resources are available to anyone who needs help—please just let us know! The response around our country and state to our needs has been overwhelming and heartwarming.

Due to the loss of 6 instructional days, the school board voted to extend the half days in September and October to full days and to cancel the Nov. 10th student holiday. They have also added a half day on Oct. 18th to allow for parent conferences. Meeting with parents is an important responsibility that we take very seriously. We will do everything in our power to reschedule conferences during times you are able to attend. If you experience difficulty with that, please let me know!

Thank you for your support and understanding during these weeks of adjustments and re-establishing our routines at CRPS!

Rigorous instruction, caring relationships and engaging activities are the hallmark of quality instruction and what we strive for at CRPS! We don't do Average, we do AWESOME!

Respectfully yours,

Donnie Brown
Principal

If you, or anyone you know requires reasonable accommodations at any of our school events because of a disability or physical

PARENT Drop Off and PICK-UP

If you drop off your child in the morning and your child is going to eat breakfast at school, please make sure they are dropped off by 9:00 am so they can eat and be in class on time.

If you pick up your child after school, please enter our campus **only** by the driveway on 8th Avenue. Once you are at the place where the two lanes converge into one, please announce that you are here to pick up your child by logging on to the PikMyKid.com app. The 3-digit code your child was given is the way we dismiss from now on. If you have not downloaded the app, please do so by going to PikMyKid.com. Thank you!

Fall Festival
DON'T FORGET TO COME TO
OUR FALL FESTIVAL TONIGHT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH
5:00 –7:00 PM
FOOD AND GAMES WILL
BE AVAILABLE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- October 5: Running Club Starts- 8:00 am
- October 10: PTO Meeting, 4 pm, Media
- October 13: Fall Festival, 5 pm
- October 25: Report Cards home

Respect everyone
Own our choices & be responsible for them
Achieve our very best
Remember safety rules



TITLE I INFORMATION

Title 1 newsletters are available on our school website under the Parent Info tab.

The purpose of these monthly newsletters is to provide busy parents with practical ways to promote school readiness, parent involvement, and more effective parenting.

Links to the CRPS School Improvement Plan, Parent Involvement Plan, and the Citrus County School District Parent Involvement Plan are located on the home page of our school website, <http://crp.citrusschools.org>.

CHANGES TO 2017-18 CALENDAR DUE TO HURRICANE IRMA

September 27	Now a <i>FULL</i> day
October 12	Now a <i>FULL</i> day
October 13	Now a <i>FULL</i> day
October 18*	Now a <i>HALF</i> day
October 25	Now a <i>FULL</i> day
November 10	Now a school day for students and staff

*October 18 will now be the end of the 1st nine weeks (Elementary/Middle Parent Conference Day/High School Work Day)

ADOPT A CLASS SPONSORS

Thank you to Ms Suzy Swain for adopting Mrs. Rankin's Pre-K class this year.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in adopting a class, please contact the school.

**2017 - 2018 School Calendar
Citrus County**

<p>1-5 Professional Development / Teacher Work Day</p> <p>10 First Day of School</p> <p>20 Professional Development Day / Early Dismissal</p>	<p align="center">August</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td></tr> <tr><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td></tr> <tr><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td></tr> <tr><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> <p align="right">16</p>	S	M	T	W	T	F	S		1	2	3	4	5		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31			<p align="center">January</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td></tr> <tr><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td></tr> <tr><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table> <p align="right">15</p> <p>1-7 Christmas Vacation</p> <p>8 Teacher Workday</p> <p>9 Professional Development Day</p> <p>10 Students Return to School</p> <p>15 Martin Luther King Day</p> <p>21 Professional Development Day / Early Dismissal</p>	S	M	T	W	T	F	S		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31										
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Legend	
 	Holiday - School closed, students and teachers do not report
 	Teacher Workdays - Students do not report
 	Elementary & Middle School Parent Conference Day / High School Workday
 	Professional Development Days - Students do not report
 	Important Dates

School Board Approved
December 13, 2016
Revisions School Board Approved September 19, 2017 due to Hurricane Irma

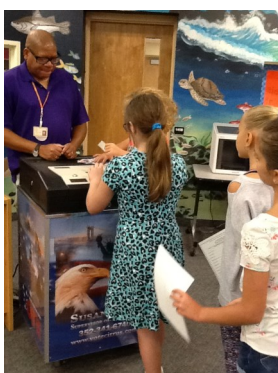
*Days out of school due to holidays may be affected by possible hurricane make-up days throughout the year.

The above revised school calendar can be seen on the District website, citrus.k12.fl.us or at <http://y8ss9skm>

Important Bus Rider and Car Rider Information

If a **Pre-K** or **K** student does not have a parent or approved contact at the bus stop, the child will be brought back to CRPS. Parents will be called to come to the school to pick up the child. Staff hours are 8:00-4:00, so please respect their family and personal time by being at the stop for your child!

SAEC ELECTIONS



Students voted for student representatives on this year's SAEC.

Congratulations to the winners:

Emma Festante from Mrs. Stapley's class and Lillianna Revels-Bendrick from Mrs. Zettle's class.

ALL children have FREE Breakfast AND Lunch until October 20th, due to the impact to our families of Hurricane Irma. For the entire year, all students have free breakfast. Parent drop off students need to be at school at 9:00 for breakfast. Lunch is not provided for free.

MEALPAY Did you know that you can prepay for your child's lunch online? You will need your child's Citrus County Student number and his/her lunch number to set up the account online (both are available from your child's teacher). Simply log on to the secure website:
<https://www.14.mealpayplus.com/default.aspx>



MENUS: Lunch menus are available online at: <http://cafe.citrus.k12.fl.us>

You may apply online at <http://>

Out of Field Notification

We appreciate Mrs. Marchione who is currently out of field, pending certification for the Florida Department of Education.

Guidelines and Procedures

For the safety of your students, please bring your Photo Identification when visiting CRPS campus. Students cannot be released without it. You will not be permitted past the front desk with valid ID. Any note regarding Change of Transportation must be signed by the legal guardian. **Changes cannot be accepted via telephone.** Please remember to write your child's full name and teacher's name on all notes. As reminder that all Citrus Schools are Tobacco Free. Please refrain from smoking or other tobacco use on school property, this includes while waiting in the Car-ricer Pick-Up line.

YMCA

The Citrus County YMCA School Age Programs provides children with a safe place to go during out of school time. With multiple plan options and financial assistance available to families who qualify, now is a great time to register your child for our before and after school programs.



The YMCA has an Extended Day Program for you here at CRPS. Monday through Friday from 6:30 am until school starts and from dismissal time until 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in affordable & quality child care, please call Miss Tracy at 352-795-0471.

SCHOOL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Citrus County School's School Health Advisory Committee is a group that meets quarterly to provide advocacy for school health and identify needs and opportunities to maximize community resources. We welcome parent and community involvement. The meetings scheduled for the 2016-2017 school year are:
Wednesday, November 30, 2016
Wednesday, February 31 2017
Wednesday, April 19, 2017

All meetings are 8:00 -10:00 am at the TRC in the Lecanto Complex.