

Cocalico Connection

News and Information About
the Cocalico School District
Students, Staff, and Community



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Mission

We inspire and support learning for every child, every chance, every day.

Vision

All students will be empowered to achieve their fullest potential.

Every Child...
Every Chance...
Every Day...

Summer Building Hours

Beginning the week of June 17, 2024, Cocalico School District offices and facilities will be closed on Fridays to save energy and promote work efficiency over the summer. The buildings will be open for extended hours Monday through Thursday as follows:

School Buildings:

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Central Administration Office:

7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Service Center:

7:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

The district will return to its regular five-day work schedule the week of August 12, 2024.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Become a Cocalico Food Service Worker Today

Don't take our word for it... just ask Jodie & Jessica!

Mrs. Jodie Wenger has been a Cocalico Food Service Worker since 2018 and is currently working in the cafeteria at the high school. Mrs. Jessica Good has been with the district for the past year and works at Cocalico Middle School. We asked both staff members to share their experiences working in the schools.

What Does a Food Service Worker Do?

Jodie – I am a cashier during breakfast. Then I cut and put together fruit trays, help wrap sandwiches, and get my station set up to serve kids. After lunch, I clean up my station, sweep, and get organized for the next breakfast.

Why Did You Become a Food Service Worker?

Jessica – I became a Food Service Worker because of the flexibility in my schedule. I am able to put my son on his bus in the morning and be home in time to get him off the bus after school. I also like having off the same days as my kids.

What Do You Enjoy Most About Being a Food Service Worker?

Jodie – I like that it is fast paced, and I enjoy getting to know and talk to all the kids.

Jessica – I like that it is a team atmosphere. If I have extra time, I can help out a co-worker who may need it, and if I need help, there is always someone there to give me support.... Everyone works hard, but we have a lot of fun while doing it.

Why Should Someone Become a Food Service Worker at Cocalico?

Jodie – I think it's a great place to work! The people are nice, and it's fun to interact with the kids... Having the summers off is pretty great, too!

Jessica – It's an ideal job for someone who enjoys working with others in a fast-paced, team environment.



If you are friendly, team-oriented, and willing to adapt to a variety of tasks to meet students' needs, apply to become a Food Service Worker TODAY!

Experience in the food industry is not necessary – you will receive all the training necessary to be successful. Part-time (29 hours/week) and substitute positions are available! Click on the QR code or call Mr. Dunn, Director of Food Services, at (717) 336-1578 for more information.



Stay Connected!

Cocalico School District uses social media and other electronic platforms to provide information about district programs, services, projects, events, activities, and important announcements. Check out all the ways you can follow Cocalico!



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Dear Cocalico Community,

It is a pleasure to present to you the many exciting events and accomplishments that we are celebrating here in the Cocalico School District. This newsletter highlights numerous student and staff achievements and a variety of program initiatives that are available to our students and the staff who support them.

As I attend community events and share information about the school district, I am often asked about specific opportunities and services we provide for our students. Many times, these conversations are followed by questions about staffing challenges we may be facing. In particular, the nationwide teacher shortage is a matter of concern.

In this newsletter, we are highlighting several steps we have taken to develop interest in and support for pursuing a career in education: a "Future Educators" breakfast, an "Educators Rising" course for high school students, a "Para-to-Teacher" Program that has been developed in conjunction with Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) and Millersville University (MU), and a "Foundations of Literacy" course and other professional development work sessions that are offered by Eastern Mennonite University (EMU) and Lancaster-Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13 (IU13). We are pleased with the number of students and staff members who have chosen to participate in these initiatives, and we are excited about the potential for these individuals' continued involvement in the future of our district.

If you or your child are interested in learning more about any of our programs that we offer here in the Cocalico School District, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at (717) 336-1413 so we can direct your questions to the appropriate office. We are here to inspire and support learning for every child, every chance, every day, and we greatly value the community support that is necessary for us to fulfill this mission.

Respectfully yours,

Ella Musser

Ella H. Musser, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Pictured above: Dr. Musser visits with a student and Mrs. Kristy Sensenig, a paraprofessional at Adamstown Elementary who is earning her teaching degree as part of the Para-to-Teacher Program.

The Learning Never Stops... Even for Our Staff



It has been a busy year of professional development at Cocalico School District! First, teachers had the opportunity to participate in Eastern Mennonite University's Foundations of Literacy course on-site at Cocalico. This eight-week class provides K-8 educators with new tools they can use in the classroom setting. The goal of the program is to educate participants on the science of reading as well as other foundational strategies of literacy.

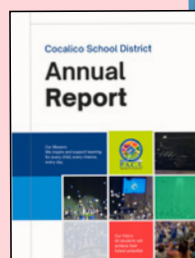
In addition to this opportunity, teachers at Cocalico School District were invited to take part in the Rotational Learning program. Teachers attended classes at Lancaster-Lebanon IU13 where they learned about utilizing station rotations in order to meet the specific needs of today's learners. Participating teachers received personalized coaching and attended collaboration sessions throughout the year.

Other topics that were the focus of scheduled teacher in-service days included addressing barriers to learning, strategies and accommodations for gifted learners, and grade-level collaboration. In addition, mandated trainings such as Act 55 Trauma Informed Practices, Act 71 Suicide Prevention Training, and Act 126 Child Abuse Training and Educator Discipline Act were offered to maintain staff compliancy.



Academic Performance

Cocalico School District's 2022-2023 Annual Report, which includes various indicators of student learning, is now available to view at www.cocalico.org. Click on the "District" tab and select "Academic Performance."



Inspire Learning Every Day!

If you want to inspire and support learning in the Cocalico community, then employment at CSD may be right for you! Visit the Human Resources page of the district website or click on the QR code to learn more about current professional and support staff employment opportunities. The Cocalico School District is an equal opportunity employer.



Cocalico School Board Welcomed New Member



The Cocalico School District welcomed new Board member Mr. Gary Hambright during the December 4, 2023 reorganizational meeting. Also in December, the following Board members were sworn in for additional terms: Mrs. Pamela Blickle, Rev. Kevin Eshleman, Mrs. Juanita Fox, and Ms. Desiree Wagner.

The Cocalico community is fortunate to have these individuals advocating for and offering guidance to the mission of the district. The time and commitment they invest to inspire and support learning for every child, every chance, every day is greatly appreciated.

Cocalico Prepares Future Educators

Beginning next school year, Cocalico School District will be offering a new program to high school juniors and seniors interested in pursuing an education major after high school! The Educators Rising course, included in the 2024-2025 Educational Planning Guide, emphasizes fundamental teaching practices that are critical for high school students to develop as they take their first steps on the path to becoming accomplished professionals. The course curriculum, developed by PDK International and offered at schools throughout the country with the support from the State Departments of Education, includes lessons on classroom management, lesson planning, effective communications, and other important aspects of the teaching field. The Educators Rising program also features real-life experiences working with students at the elementary, middle, and high school levels.



On Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 13 students joined Superintendent Dr. Musser and other administrators for a "Future Educators" breakfast to learn more about careers in education. Opportunities such as the Educators Rising course, service learning, and internships were discussed. The district is excited about this next generation of students planning to enter the field of education!



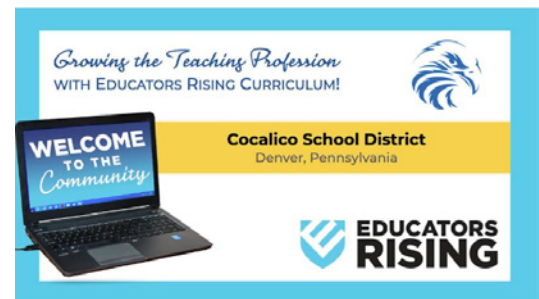
Recognition for Outstanding Service to the Community

The Cocalico School District wishes to recognize Mr. Randall Renninger for his service and commitment to the district and community. Randy, who completed his term in November 2023, served on the Board for eight years. Thank you for your time and dedication to ensuring the opportunity for all students to achieve their fullest potential!

From Para to Teacher – This COULD BE YOU!

Are you a paraprofessional who is interested in a teaching degree? Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) and Millersville University (MU) collaborated to offer an online degree program for paraprofessionals who wish to earn their teaching degrees. Fully online Pre-K - 4 Early Childhood Education and Pre-K - 12 Special Education teaching degree programs were initially established in the fall 2023 and are available for immediate enrollment.

To find out more about the programs, please go to <https://www.millersville.edu/onlineprograms/degree-completion/index.php>.



Are you a current sophomore or junior interested in pursuing a degree in education? Meet with your school counselor about adding the Educators Rising course to your schedule next year!

EAGLE VENTURES



Construction Technology students and Mr. Bierly at the future site of the outdoor instructional area

A Fresh Take on Learning

As the weather begins to get warmer, the Construction Technology class at Cocalico High School will be hard at work on a new outdoor instructional area. Preparations will soon begin on the paver patio, bench, and picnic tables that will be constructed near the southwest side of the building. This project is being funded by a grant from the Cocalico Education Foundation.

In addition, the Construction Technology class is partnering with elementary students to give them a tour of the new outdoor space. After the tour, elementary students will get a chance to make their own construction projects to take home with them!

Under Construction

In November 2023, renovations began at Reamstown Elementary to address the age of building systems, improve energy efficiency and lighting, create a more secure entrance and enhanced office spaces, and transform the library into a more comprehensive instructional area. Lighting and paint in classrooms will be completed in phases. Each phase may take up to four weeks to complete, and during that time, classrooms will be relocated so instructional time is not affected.

The tentative timeline for completion of the renovations is as follows:

- New office area – Summer 2024
- New library – December 2024
- Classroom lighting/paint – March 2025
- Final completion of all mechanical/system upgrades – Spring 2025

To see the progress of the renovations, please check out the monthly videos that will be posted on the Board Updates page of the District website. Go to www.cocalico.org, click on "District," and select "School Board<Board Meeting Updates."



Dads Making a Difference

An exciting new program began this year at Reamstown Elementary! "Recess Dads" is an initiative aimed at encouraging male role models to volunteer in a fun, relaxed, student-focused environment. According to Dr. Bryan Watkins, Principal, "Fathers and father figures are a resource in our community, and this program was created to target that particular untapped parental support."

Reamstown Elementary currently has six Recess Dads who spend their lunch breaks with the students, playing games and having fun on the playground. They are scheduled weekly, monthly, or as consistently as possible. One Recess Dad, Mr. Corey Huber, said, "I'm having a lot of fun getting to know the kids of Reamstown Elementary. Some of our favorite games have been soccer, basketball, jump rope, and Jake the snake. These kids are great, and I genuinely enjoy hanging out with them at recess. The kids are starting to remember me and are always quick to yell 'Mr. Corey!' when they see me. It's definitely rewarding!"

Dr. Watkins hopes to grow the program so there are three to four Recess Dads per day. If you are interested in serving as a Recess Dad, the first step is to become a Cocalico volunteer. To begin the process, please go to www.cocalico.org, click on the "Parents" tab, and select "Volunteer Information." After you receive your volunteer card, contact Mrs. Abby Bayley at (717) 336-1531.

For more information about "Recess Dads," please check out the video on our YouTube channel – <https://youtu.be/nOwEKYZDt5k>



Meet Macy May

Cocalico Middle School's Newest Staff Member

On Tuesday, January 9, 2024, Cocalico Middle School welcomed its newest staff member – Macy May Bonagura. At just 4 1/2 months old, she is the youngest employee to ever walk the hallways in a Cocalico building. She has recently begun her two-year training to become a United Disabilities Services (UDS) service dog. Let's get to know more about Macy!

Tell us a little bit about yourself: I'm a mini sheepdoodle; my mom is an old English sheepdog, and my dad is a miniature poodle. I was born on October 29, 2023. I have 13 brothers and sisters, but I think I'm the cutest one in the family! I live with my human mommy, daddy, brother, and sister, and I get to go to work with mommy (Mrs. Beth Bonagura) every day.

Hobbies? I like to run and play with other dogs, especially Mr. D's dog, Kona. I like when the students read to me and rub my belly, and I'm really trying hard not to eat the books. I like learning new commands because it feels good to learn, and I get lots of treats as I practice.

What have you learned so far? I know the following commands: sit, down, come, wait, leave it, crate, and watch me. I'm learning how to walk on a leash without pulling, how to shake and drop, and general puppy manners such as not jumping on people, not eating anyone's homework, and not going potty inside the school or my house.

Favorite color? Hot pink! I love to nip at anything hot pink, especially my sister Janey's hot pink boots!

Favorite toys? Any stuffed animal, especially my hedgehog that squeaks.

Final thoughts? Learning how to be a service dog is hard work, and I will not have my official certification for a long time. I have a lot to learn over the next two years, but I am thankful that I have all my friends at CMS to help me. I hope someday I can have the same impact Digby (Mrs. Bonagura's first service dog who faithfully worked at Cocalico for nearly 14 years) had on Cocalico.



Mrs. Beth Bonagura, special education teacher at Cocalico Middle School, is Macy's owner and trainer. She explained Macy's two-year training process through UDS. Together, they will attend trainings every Monday evening. In addition, they will spend one Saturday per month training in public areas such as the mall, the airport, a sports arena, Hersheypark, and many other community sites. By the end of the training, Macy will have learned and mastered 80-100 commands. She will be able to help students pick up pencils when dropped, open doors, turn on lights, carry materials, etc. She will also aid students needing academic and/or emotional support. Macy will be there to be best friends to those who need it!

According to Mrs. Bonagura, "There are currently UDS dogs in 15 other school districts with another 20 districts/private schools on waiting lists. Macy is a little unique in that she is 'owner trained.' Most of the dogs are trained and raised through UDS and then adopted at about 2 years old." Cocalico Middle School is thankful to have Mrs. Bonagura willing to take the time to train this very important member of the middle school staff! Welcome to Cocalico, Macy!



Greenhouses for a Good Cause! Buy One Today!

Students in the Construction Technology classes at Cocalico High School put the finishing touches on two greenhouses this year, a project that began during the 2022-2023 school year. Through instruction and building time, students put over 1,000 hours into this project. The greenhouses have split doors to increase ventilation and were constructed with materials similar to those used in professional greenhouses. Not only did students get to experience hands-on learning through the construction of their greenhouses, they are also giving back to Cocalico High School! Any profits made off the sale of their greenhouses will fund the production of spirit wear shirts provided free of charge to every student at CHS! Greenhouses are priced at \$2,500. If you're interested in purchasing one, please contact Mr. Karl Bierly, Technology Education teacher, at karl_bierly@cocalico.org or (717) 336-1423.



Planning for the Future at CSD

On Monday, February 26, 2024, the Cocalico Board of School Directors approved the 2024-2027 Comprehensive Plan for the district. The plan, first presented by Dr. Haldeman at the January Board meeting, was a result of numerous stakeholder meetings which began in July 2023 and included parents, business leaders, community members, administrators, and staff members. During the meetings, data was reviewed, district strengths and weaknesses were discussed, and areas for improvement were established.

The three goals of the 2024-2027 Comprehensive Plan are as follows:

Goal 1: English Language Arts (ELA)

By the end of the 2026-2027 school year, each level will have completed a comprehensive review of their ELA program and practices, and will have implemented evidence-based materials, strategies, core programs, and intervention models.

Goal 2: Growth of Subgroups

The Cocalico School District will see an increase of 6% in the performance level of the following subgroups on their ELA, math, and science scores, as evidenced by PSSA and Keystone Exams: Economically Disadvantaged, English Language Learners, and Students with Disabilities, as compared to their performances during the 2022-2023 school year.

Goal 3: Social-Emotional Learning

At each level, and at least one time each year, we will train our staff on research-based strategies to support social-emotional learning in the classroom and implement at least one way to positively influence our students and their mental health.

Action plans for successfully reaching the Comprehensive Plan goals are being developed and will be implemented throughout the next three years. Updates on the progress of the established goals will be provided in upcoming district publications. The plan will be available on the district website after it is approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Attention Business Owners! If you're looking for a way to showcase your company and support the academic and athletic programs at Cocalico, you may want to check out the available sponsorship opportunities. For more information, please contact Mrs. Lesley Stricker at (717) 336-1413 or lstricker@cocalico.org.

Eagle Pride

Cocalico School District is pleased to recognize a few of the many outstanding accomplishments of CSD students and staff.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

Fall 2023 Team Sports Accomplishments

- Football** – PIAA District III 5A Champion, LL League Section IV Champion & LL League Sportsmanship Team Award
- Girls' Soccer** – PIAA District III 3A Runner-up, LL League Section III Champion

Lancaster-Lebanon League All-Academic Honors (HS fall sports season)

(Photo A)

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| Cross Country: | Paige Reeser | |
| | Cyprus Rohrer | |
| | Derrick Wenrich | |
| Field Hockey: | Emily Menet | |
| | Ellie Myers | |
| Football: | Todd Becker | K. Bailey Mull |
| | Derek Brubaker | Joshua Myer |
| | Logan Brubaker | Talen Popolis |
| | Thomas Dattoli | Timothy Porter |
| | Trent Dickson | Ian Rapp |
| | Hunter Frable | Samuel Steffey |
| | P. Dane Horning | Jarrett Weaver |
| | Ja Den Hudgens | Owen Weaver |
| | Adam Laudenslager | Aiden Williams |
| Soccer: | Kyle Campbell | |
| | Katelin Mattos | |
| Girls' Volleyball: | Sofia Rivera | |



National Letter of Intent Day – High School Senior Athletes

(Photo B)

- Cole Barnes** – Men's Lacrosse, Iona University
- Brayden Burkholder** – Baseball, Messiah University
- Trent Dickson** – Baseball, Mount Aloysius College
- Avery Hershey** – Women's Lacrosse, Kutztown University
- Cole Hooper** – Football, Shippensburg University
- Mason Leshner** – Men's Volleyball, King's College
- Luke Main** – Men's Soccer, Geneva College
- Addisyn Martin** – Women's Soccer, Messiah University
- Emily Menet** – Women's Lacrosse, Lebanon Valley College
- Ellie Myers** – Field Hockey, University at Albany
- Paige Reeser** – Cross Country/Track & Field, Roberts Wesleyan University
- Madison Rodgers** – Women's Soccer, Thiel College
- Danika Sauder** – Women's Lacrosse, Messiah University
- Kaylee Van Dalen** – Women's Soccer, Lancaster Bible College

PMEA Music Honors

MS District 7 Youth Honors Band: (Photo C)

- Ivy Brubaker
- Elijah McKairnes
- Riley Pierce
- Beyanis Ramos-Castro
- Hallie Salfi

HS District 7 Band: (Photo D)

- Collin Brubaker
- Craig Hinkley
- Lillian Pawling
- Braden Welsh
- HS Region V Band:**
- Craig Hinkley
- Lillian Pawling
- Braden Welsh



MS District 7 Songfest: (Photo E)

Toby Davis Isabella Sharpley
Natalia Kowalik Bristol Shoemaker
J. Nick Mitton Brooklynn Thach
Mallory Roberts

HS District 7 Chorus: (Photo F)

Collin Brubaker
Alyssa Daly

HS Region V Chorus:

Alyssa Daly

HS District 7 Orchestra:

Braden Welsh



Cocalico Middle School Spelling Bee Winners

(Photo G)

Chrislyn Abbay
Jaylyn McFadden
Elizabeth Mercado (qualified for WITF Central PA Region Spelling Bee)
Kaylee Redcay

Reamstown Elementary Science Fair Winners

(Photo H)

Shaun Mains | 1st place – Collections
Evelyn Moore | 2nd place – Collections
Catherine Cross | 1st place – Projects
Rylee McClellan | 2nd place – Projects

Lancaster County Young Artists Competition – Middle School

Madeline Bisaccio | Honorable Mention (Photo I)
Abigail Eppinette | Honorable Mention (Photo I)
Jackson Fox | Honorable Mention (Photo J)
Catrina Martin | Honorable Mention (Photo J)
Katherine Menet | Honorable Mention (Photo I)
Breck Popolis | Gold (Photo I)
Elise Swann | Silver & Gold (Photo I)
Maya Van Zant | Honorable Mention (Photo J)

Fall Sports Individual Record Breakers

Luke Main, Boys' Soccer | All-time Leading Scorer
Ellie Myers, Field Hockey | All-time Leading Scorer

PIAA State Cross Country Meet

Paige Reeser

PIEA esports Super Smash Brothers Fall Brawl Team Competition State Qualifier

(Photo K)

Gabriel Auker-DaSilva Noah Gehman
John Drum Andrew Moua
Ashton Freeze Maxim Ulysse

STAFF/SCHOOL RECOGNITION

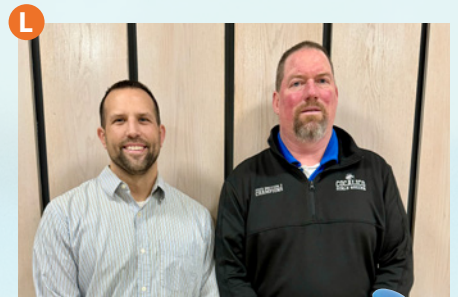
LL League Coach of the Year

(Photo L)

Mr. Bryan Strohl | Football
Mr. Dan Hogan | Girls' Soccer

LL League Assistant Coach of the Year

Mr. Eric Saenz | Girls' Soccer



After-Hours Property Tax Drop Box

Have you heard the news? Cocalico School District now has a secure, after-hours drop box for residents to submit their tax payments, census forms, job applications, etc. The box is located outside the main entrance to the Central Administration Office (800 S. 4th Street, Denver) and is checked daily on regular business days.

Work Permits

Did you know that students between the ages of 14-17 must obtain a work permit prior to beginning employment? High school students may obtain their work permits at the Cocalico High School main office between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Cocalico High School students will take the application home to have his/her parent sign the document and then return it to the office. Upon return, the student will sign the work permit in the presence of an office staff member. Not a CHS student? Under the Child Labor Law, an application can be completed in a one-step process when a parent/legal guardian and minor appear together with proof of the minor's age. Acceptable documents include the minor's birth certificate, passport, learner's permit, driver's license, or other valid proof of age. Questions? Please call 717-336-1423. Middle school students can also obtain their work permits in the main office at Cocalico Middle School using the same process as outlined above.

Cocalico Education Foundation Grant Recipients

This past fall, the Cocalico Education Foundation (CEF) donated over \$40,000 to the Cocalico School District for innovative programming. Grant recipients included:

2023-2024 Classroom Grants:

- Artsonia Classroom Center Supplies (DV/RT – Mrs. Gahres, Mrs. Schuetrum)
- Computers for Cocalico (CHS – Mr. Kennedy)
- Eagles Nest Cafe (CHS – Mrs. Copenhaver, Mrs. Shaffer, Mrs. Weik)
- First Grade Forgotten Friends Experience (RT – Mrs. Brandt, Mrs. Doughty, Mrs. Hutchison)
- Guest Speakers for Health Classes (CHS – Mrs. Hartranft, Mrs. Huber, Mr. Rohrer, Mr. Stauffer)
- Huffin' N' Puffin' Presentation (Elem. – Mrs. Armstrong, Mr. Sholansky, Miss Yarger)
- Strengthening Little Fingers: Developing Fine Motor Skills in Primary Grades (AT/DV – Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Steckbeck)
- Yoga Props (CMS – Mrs. White)

2023-2024 EITC Grants:

- Author Visit with Daryl Cobb (AT – Mrs. Noll)
- Coding with Sphero Robots (CMS – Mrs. Ehrat)
- Costa Rica Trip (CHS – Mrs. Gomez)
- Dwindraft Table for STEM Design and Fabrication (CMS – Mr. Auker)
- Flamenco Hispanic Ballet and Fiesta Mexico Field Trip (CHS – Mrs. Gomez, Mrs. Stehr)
- German Free Choice Reading – German Readers for Power Reading (CHS – Mrs. Schneider)
- Introduction to Coding for First Graders (AT – Mrs. Orndorff, Mrs. Snyder)
- Online Science Programs – IXL/Kids Discover (DV – Mr. Sigman)
- STEM Project: Free Little Library (DV – Miss Barnett, Mr. Shober)
- Visit to "El Origen de la Noche" Exhibition at the Philadelphia Museum of Art (CHS – Mrs. Gomez, Mrs. McCarthy)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

- School Is NOW In Session

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

- No School
- Spring Recess

MONDAY, APRIL 1

- No School
- Spring Recess

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

- Early Dismissal – 1:30 p.m. – ELEMENTARY ONLY
- Modified Kindergarten

MONDAY, APRIL 22 –

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

- PSSA English Language Arts (Gr. 3-8)

MONDAY, APRIL 29 – FRIDAY, MAY 3

- PSSA Math, Science, & Make-ups (Gr. 3-8)

MONDAY, MAY 6 – FRIDAY, MAY 10

- PSSA Math, Science, & Make-ups (Gr. 3-8)

FRIDAY, MAY 10

- Early Dismissal – Secondary – 1:00 p.m.
- Elementary – 1:30 p.m.
- Modified Kindergarten

THURSDAY, MAY 23

- Last Student Day – GRADE 12 ONLY
- Commencement at Calvary Church – 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 24

- Early Dismissal – 1:30 p.m. – ELEMENTARY ONLY
- Modified Kindergarten

MONDAY, MAY 27

- No School
- Memorial Day

FRIDAY, MAY 31

- Last Student Day
- Half-Day Dismissal – Secondary – 11:00 a.m.
- Elementary – 11:30 a.m.

BOARD-APPROVED 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

AUGUST 20, 2024

- First Day for Students

AUGUST 30 & SEPTEMBER 2, 2024

- Vacation Days

SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

- No School for Students
- Teacher In-service Day

OCTOBER 14, 2024

- No School for Students
- Teacher In-service Day

NOVEMBER 27, 2024

- No School for Students
- Teacher In-service Day

NOVEMBER 28, 29 & DECEMBER 2, 2024

- Vacation Days
- December 2 - Weather Make-up Day #1

DECEMBER 23, 2024 –

JANUARY 1, 2025

- Vacation Days

JANUARY 20, 2025

- Vacation Day

FEBRUARY 14, 2025

- Faculty/Student Holiday
- Weather Make-up Day #2

FEBRUARY 17, 2025

- No School for Students
- Teacher In-service Day

MARCH 7, 2025

- No School for Students
- Teacher In-service Day

APRIL 17, 2025

- Faculty/Student Holiday
- Weather Make-up Day #3

APRIL 18 & 21, 2025

- Vacation Days

MAY 26, 2025

- Vacation Day

JUNE 3, 2025

- Last Day for Students

Possible Childcare at Cocalico

Right At School, a nationally-recognized before school, after school, kindergarten wrap-around, and summer enrichment provider, is interested in offering their programs on-site at Cocalico elementary schools starting in the fall of 2024.

Go to www.rightatschool.com to find out more information about the programs. Questions? Contact Denice Ricciotti, Right At School – Director of School Partnerships, at denice.ricciotti@rightatschool.com.

Cocalico Alumni Association Fundraisers

Cocalico Alumni Association is hosting a Jim Thorpe bus trip on Saturday, May 4, 2024; the Annual Scholarship Golf Outing on Friday, June 21, 2024; and the Annual BBQ for Stockings for Soldiers on Saturday, September 28, 2024. Go to www.cocalicoalumni.org for more information.