China Primary School

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Student Emergency Contact Info

Please review, update, sign, and return your child's emergency contact / permissions sheet, the daily bussing schedule / early release instructions, and the health history and medications forms to us as soon as possible. It is very important that we have accurate and up-do-date contact information in case an emergency or illness should occur while your child is at school. In addition, if there is an unexpected early release due to weather, it is most helpful to have your instructions in advance in order to minimize confusion and stress for your child and for school staff. We appreciate your immediate attention to these important details.

Free & Reduced Price Meal Applications

Applications for free and reduced priced meals at school must be submitted for each school year. Forms were sent home with all students in First Day Student Packets. Please submit your completed application to CPS or to RSU 18 Nutrition Director Barbara Bonnell at 41 Heath Street, Oakland, ME 04963. If you need an application form or need help in filling it out, please call the school office at 445-1550 or Barbara Bonnell at 465-7384 Ext 2661. If you would like to apply online, go to www.schoollunchapp.com. This year, in order for CPS to qualify for federal grant monies, we are asking that all families file a response to this form. If you do not qualify or do not wish to participate, please check off the box on the form or send in a note along with your child's name and return it to us as soon as possible. Thank you.

School Picture Day - Friday, September 27

Lifetouch order forms were sent home last week.

Flu Vaccination Clinic @ CPS - Tuesday, Oct 1

Maine General Medical Center and RSU 18 will host a free flu vaccination clinic at China Primary School on Tuesday, Oct 1. Please see the *Vaccine Information Statement* and *Health Screen & Permission Form* were sent home with students last week. **Health Screen & Permissions Forms must be completed, signed, and returned by Wednesday, September 25.** For questions about the vaccine clinic, please call School Nurse Amanda Saucier at 445-1550.

Upcoming Events:

- School Picture Day Friday, Sept 27 *volunteers needed please*
- Flu Vaccination Clinic @ CPS Tuesday, Oct 1
- School Board Meeting Wednesday, Oct 2, 7:00 pm at Central Office
- China PTO Meeting Thursday, Oct 3, 6:00 pm @ China Middle School Library
- Kindergarten Field Trips to Lemieux's Orchard Friday, Oct 4
- Parent / Teacher Conferences @ CPS Monday, Oct 7 Friday, Oct 18 Common Night Thursday, Oct 10
- Teacher Comp Day Friday, Oct 11 NO SCHOOL
- Columbus Day Holiday Monday, Oct 14 NO SCHOOL

- Fire Prevention Day @ CPS Friday, Oct 18
- PTO Paint Nite @ CPS Friday, Oct 18 (Zumba will be moved to Tuesday, Oct 15, this week only)

Community News

Girl Scouts of Maine: On Monday, September 30, Girl Scouts of Maine will hold an informational meeting in the CPS Cafeteria for anyone interested in forming a girl scout troop in China. Time *TBA*.

Substitute Teacher Training - China Primary and many other schools in the area need substitute teachers. If you enjoy working with children and want to learn more about the rewards of working as a substitute, check out the Mid-Maine Regional Adult Community Education Program training offered at Waterville Senior High School on Thursday, Nov 14, 5:30-7:30 pm (\$11 self-supporting fee). For more information about this and many other adult ed offerings, or to register, contact www.midmaine.maineadulted.org or call 873-5754.

China PTO News

The China Schools PTO meets the first Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the China Middle School Library. All are welcome to join us in supporting our children's education.

We now have a Facebook Group: find us at https://www.facebook.com/groups/chinaschoolspto/ We air every meeting on FB Live. While we still need people to attend meetings in person so we can vote on issues, we welcome those who can't attend to join us on the FB Live feed.

Join our Remind group (download the Remind app) to get updates. Our code is @chinasc

Upcoming PTO events - email Chinaschoolspto@gmail.com to volunteer an hour or two of your time!

- **Penny Wars** The Penny Wars will run from 9/16/19-9/27/19
- Paint Night Fundraiser 10/18/19 at 6pm. The FaceBook event has been created, tickets will be up for sale shortly! Painting with Lori will be creating a custom painting for us for the event! \$30 per ticket, and all proceeds go to the China Schools PTO!
- **Zumba Workouts** Every Friday 5:30-7:00pm we will hold a Zumba class in the CPS Gym. Attendance is \$7 for ages 13 through adult, ages 12 and under are free!
- China Maine Craft Show 11/2/2019 We will need a lot of volunteers for this event! Stay tuned on the PTO FB page for electronic volunteer signups!

Next meeting is October 3, 2019 at 6pm. Join us in the CMS Library, or join us on FB Live! Your voice matters!

China Rec Soccer: Soccer season is well under way! Reach out to your coach to confirm game dates and times. Team Pictures are scheduled for 9/21/2019 - see schedule passed out at practice. Contact Raigan York at 242-6515 or Ashley Allen 952-2019 if you have any questions! Like our FB page to stay informed of weather cancellations and updates from the league!