

China Primary School

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Teacher In-Service Workshop - No School - Friday, Oct 23
Teacher In-Service Workshop - No School - Friday, Nov 6
Veterans' Day Holiday - No School - Wednesday, Nov 11

Free & Reduced Price Lunch Survey

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As you know, due to provisions in the CARES Act, RSU 18 is able to offer free breakfast and free lunch to all students this year. We are so pleased to be able to offer this to all families in this difficult time.

In a normal year, the free and reduced lunch application is what determines a students' eligibility for free lunch. Even though we sent these applications out to everyone this year, understandably many people did not return these forms because free lunch was already set for the year. However, these forms also have a direct impact on the amount of state and federal funding we receive. If we cannot collect enough Economic Status Data for our district it will mean less money for our schools. This will result in a reduction of services for our students and/or an increase in taxes. I am sending out this survey to collect the data we need as we work with the state and federal government to determine our funding levels for next year.

I urge anyone who did not return your free and reduced lunch form, regardless of income, to fill out this survey as soon as you can. It should take only a couple of minutes to fill out. If you are not sure if you returned your form, go ahead and fill this out.

[Click here to fill out the survey.](#) **THANK YOU!**

Sincerely,

Carl Gartley, Superintendent of Schools

Fire Prevention Week Follow-Up

Congratulations to one final poster contest winner: Our firefighters were so impressed with this poster entry, they wanted to recognize one additional student - Annabelle Walker - for her Most Artistic poster contest entry. Again, thanks to all third graders who participated, and thanks to all our

local volunteer firefighters for their dedication and service to our community. *They truly are our hometown heroes!*

In-Person vs. Remote Instruction for Trimester 2

A parent survey was sent by email and text message last week. The survey asks if parents would like their children to continue with the same placement, change to “in-school”, or change to remote learning for Trimester 2. If you have not done so already, please complete your survey response and submit it ASAP. Please complete this form only once and submit by October 21. The learning plan you choose will begin on November 30 and will end on March 12. Whichever plan that you feel is the best for your child(ren) will be their learning plan for the whole trimester. Thank you for your continued support!

Scholastic Book Fair @ CPS

Dear Parents and Families,

Our Fall Book Fair at China Primary School is on-line this year. You will have the opportunity to shop for books virtually for more than two weeks! The dates for the fair will run from October 26th through November 7th. All orders \$25 and over will ship free directly to your home. ***The link for on-line shopping is <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/chinaprimarieschool>.*** This link will go live 5 days before the fair opens. This is a great time to be thinking about doing some holiday shopping. Please help support the CPS Library.

Thank you,
Mrs. Boudreau

Parent / Teacher Conferences at CPS

Trimester 1 Parent / Teacher Conferences will take place *virtually* from Monday, Nov 2, through Friday, Nov 13. ***Our common night for conferences is Tuesday, Nov 10, from 3:00-7:00pm.*** We are once again asking parents to visit our CPS Conferences website at <https://sites.google.com/rsu18.org/cps-ptcs> to sign up for a conference time. You may also contact your child’s teacher by calling the school @ 445-1550 and leaving a message requesting a conference time. We are looking forward to seeing you at parent / teacher conferences.

RSU 18 District - Wide News

Want to keep up with district news? Follow us at <https://rsu18messenger.com/>

Upcoming Events:

- National School Bus Safety Week Monday, Oct 19, through Friday, Oct 23
- School Board Meeting Wednesday, Oct 21, 7:00pm
- ***Teacher In-Service Workshop Friday, Oct 23 - NO SCHOOL***
- Scholastic Book Fair @ CPS Monday, Oct 26 - Saturday, Nov 7 - *see article above*
- ***Daylight Savings Time Ends - Turn Clocks Back 1 Hour - Sunday, Nov 1***
- Trimester 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences Nov 2 - Nov 13, Common Night Tuesday, Nov 10 - 3:00pm - 7:00pm - *teachers will soon invite parents to sign up for a virtual appointment via Sign Up Genius*
- ***Election Day Tuesday, Nov 3 - polls open 7:00am - 8:00pm in the portable building behind the China Town Office***
- China PTO Meeting Thursday, Nov 5, 6:00pm via Facebook Live
- ***Teacher In-Service Workshop Friday, Nov 6 - NO SCHOOL***
- ***Veterans’ Day Holiday Wednesday, Nov 11 - NO SCHOOL***
- ***Thanksgiving Holiday Break Wednesday, Nov 25 - Friday, Nov 27 - NO SCHOOL***

China PTO News

Want to join the PTO: We would love to have you! We meet on the first Thursday of every month at 6:00pm via Facebook Live. Our next meeting is Thursday, Nov 5. Email us at chinaschoolsPTO@gmail.com to get your name on our list.



**NOW THROUGH
DECEMBER 1ST!**

CHINA MAINE (VIRTUAL) CRAFT SHOW

GO TO

[HTTPS://CHINAMAINECRAFTSHO.WIXSITE.COM/CHINAMAINECRAFTSHOW](https://chinamainecraftshow.wixsite.com/chinamainecraftshow)

CLICK ON THE MENU BAR AND BROWSE OUR CRAFTERS AND VENDORS.
TO ORDER FROM CRAFTER/VENDOR: USE THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION AT
THE TOP OF THEIR PAGE.

contact ChinaMaineCraftShow@gmail.com with any questions

Reminder:

The very last day for Theme Basket Donations is Friday, Oct 30.

China PTO Craft Show Basket Raffle 2020

Online Virtual Event

One of the biggest PTO fundraisers of the year starts now! For years, the China PTO Craft Fair always includes a Basket Raffle. Baskets are made by the China PTO with new donations that YOU (parents, caregivers, community partners) donate to the PTO.

Donations should be **NEW** and brought to school by your child or purchased through Amazon- Themes for each grade are listed below.

Amazon Wish List Link- Wish list may also be edited to add items of your choosing, to make it easier for you. You may also edit the list and add items of your choosing.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/38o0yrU?ref_=wl_share

Collection Begins NOW and end no later than Friday, October 30

Pre-K and Kindergarten

EVERYTHING CHRISTMAS WISHLIST

Kids Favorite Toys of the Year, Legos, Disney, Barbie, LOL, Superheroes, Crafts, Movies

1st Grade

FAMILY FUNNIGHT

Family Favorites, Movie Tickets, Card Games, Restaurant Gift Cards, Movies, Bowling, Photography Gift Card, Puzzles

2nd Grade

EVERYTHING SPORTS BASKET

Sports Team Merchandise, Sports Clothing and Accessories, Game Balls, Baseball gloves, Water Bottles, Sports Tickets, Sports Movies

Grade 3

DUNKIN DONUTS

Dunkin Gift Cards, Dunkin Merchandise, Coffee Cups

GRADE 4

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Slime, Craft Kits, Jewelry Making, Craft and Art Supplies, Michael's Gift Card

GRADES 5 AND 6

FOOD AND RESTAURANT GIFT CARDS

Have a favorite takeout spot? Support our local restaurants and the PTO at the same time!

RAFFLE ENTRIES ARE FOR SALE NOW

1 Ticket- \$1.00

6 Tickets- \$5.00

Email- BasketsPTO@gmail.com

o Include your name

o Number of tickets

o Which basket/grade are you entering to win

GRADES 7 AND 8

GIFT CARDS FOR THE SHOPOHOLIC

TJ Maxx, Target, Amazon, where do you love to shop the most?

Last year we raffled over
\$600 in gift cards!

**WHICH GRADES WILL
HAVE THE BEST BASKET
THIS YEAR?!?!**



WHEN YOU SHOP WITH AMAZON

You can now select CHINA
SCHOOLS PTO as an AMAZON
SMILE Charity.

How to generate AmazonSmile donations

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible smile.amazon.com purchases. Tens of millions of products are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages at smile.amazon.com or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app. Recurring Subscribe & Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible to generate donations.

Community News

Cub Scout Pack 479 News: Cub Scout Pack 479 is still selling masks through the China Town Office as a fundraiser. Masks are \$2 each, or \$8 for a 5-pack of masks. We also are happy to deliver in town, if you email to make arrangements. Please contact scouts479@gmail.com for more information or to order.



THE NEXT GENERATION OF BOX TOPS IS HERE.

NO MORE CLIPPING - SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

Box Tops is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

GET THE BOX TOPS APP NOW

MORE CONVENIENT
Redeem anywhere,
anytime within 14 days of
purchase

EASY TO USE
No more clipping or
sending Box Tops to school



REAL TIME
Your school's earnings are
automatically updated
online

EXTRA CASH
Access special bonus offers
on top of your Box Tops
earnings



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.



If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

EARN \$ FOR YOUR SCHOOL NOW

COVID-19 Pre-Screening Tool for School Attendance

Within the past 24 hours have you had a fever (100.4 and above*) or used any fever reducing medicine?

YES =



Do you feel sick with any of the most common symptoms of Covid, had vomiting/diarrhea, or felt unwell?
(see symptom list to the right)

YES =



Have you been a close contact of a person with Covid in the past 14 days?

YES =



Have you traveled outside of the state in the past 14 days?

YES =



Contact Your School

Stay home with any YES response to the questions above OR with two or more of the "less common" symptoms listed to the right.

Attend school when all answers are NO and your child is feeling well with no other symptoms of illness. Call or see your school nurse or other designated person at school if you have questions.

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Most Common Symptoms of Covid 19:

Cough
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Fever (100.4°F/ 38 °C or greater)*
Chills
Sore throat
New loss of taste or smell

Less Common Symptoms:

Muscle pain
Nausea or Vomiting
Diarrhea
Fatigue
Headache
Congestion/runny nose

*Fever is 100.4°F/ 38°C regardless of measurement location (oral, temporal).

