



CV MONTESSORI NEWSLETTER



AT A GLANCE

- 9/15 Mum Orders Due
- 9/20 Stay&Play
- 9/21 Parent Group Meeting
- 9/22 Picture Day
- 9/27 Stay&Play
- 9/30 Fall Fun Day & Mum Pickup
 - 6pm in the School Library

Stay up to date with all the school happenings by following us on [Facebook](#), joining the [CVMCS Parent Group Facebook](#), and checking our [school calendar](#).

TRANSITIONING INTO SCHOOL

THE FIRST WEEKS

- For the first few weeks we focus on how to be in the school and how to be in the classroom. We learn the routines in the classroom. We practice moving to and from specials, lunch, playground, and the classroom. ~ Ms. Lisa
- Ms. Lisa used the short phrase, "go slow to go fast," which means that this period of the year is about setting expectations, demonstrating, and practicing in the rooms with tasks so everyone knows what to do in the future. ~Mr. Kirk
- We have been busy learning about the similarities and differences between home expectations and school expectations. The kids have been doing a great job listening and relearning how to be in our classroom. We are ready to start transitioning into what our routine will be this year. ~ Ms. Jenny

TIPS FOR HOME

- **Celebrate** - Take some time to reminisce and share your favorite memories from summer and what you're looking forward to for the school year.
- **Connect** - With the busy schedules of summer it can be easy to lose touch with school friends. Now is a great time to catch up. Enjoy ice cream together at Ramone's night or reconnect at a Stay & Play. Make new parent connections at our Coffee Socials and join our Parent Group's Facebook. Community is a vital part of Montessori and an incredible resource for you!
- **Ease** - It's OK if things aren't running perfectly smooth right away. It's a big transition for the whole family. You'll get there! If you have tips and tricks for making the transition easier, please share them on the [PG's Facebook page](#).

FROM MS. PAM

It was great to see everyone at Welcome Back Day on Friday, September 1. By the look of the faces on the children, they are ready to be back at school. By the look of many parents' faces, you are ready for your kids to be back in school, as well. Teachers and staff have worked so hard to get the building and classrooms ready for a great year. We have many new faces in the building, so it has been great getting to know them, too.

This first week of school was great! Classrooms revisited beliefs in different areas of the building and outside. Kids are making new friends and connecting with old. Routines are being established. We use the first few weeks of school to build a community in classrooms and within common areas of the school. The more care we take building that community, the more peaceful a building we have.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself if you have any questions, concerns or compliments! School and home working together really helps with student success.

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 SCHOOL LIBRARY

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Partnership Coordinator

As the Partnership Coordinator I am a liaison between staff, families, and the community. Here are some of the ways I help support you and our school:

- Coordinate volunteer events at the school.
- Promote school and community engagement opportunities.
- Provide assistance for families such as Weekend Kid's Meals, District Closet, and Food Pantry.
- Support communication channels such as newsletters and social media.
- Process and maintain volunteer paperwork.

On Site Hours:
8:00am-12:30pm
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

WANT TO HELP AT CVMCS?

>>> PARENT GROUP WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Parent Group is connecting with volunteers and would love to hear from you. There are lots of sizes of volunteer opportunities - we'll help you find the right size for your time and availability. Let us know you're interested and a Parent Group volunteer will be in touch!

- Fill out [this Google form](#) OR
- Fill out [this sheet](#) and send it back to school in your child's folder OR
- Send an email to CVMCSparentgroup@gmail.com

Stay tuned for a **Volunteer Open House event** this fall where you can learn more about the ways to be involved. The event date will be sent out by email and shared on the [CVMCS Parent Group Facebook page](#)

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THE GARDEN

Visit us September 30th 9am-12pm

We are very fortunate to have a wonderful school garden here at CV Montessori. The success of the garden relies solely on volunteers. We plant, weed, water, and provide other garden maintenance all year round. We also work to include students in as many ways as possible. Through garden lessons, open garden days, and a Fall Fun event. Even if you don't have any garden experience, you can help support our efforts. Please email Gin Winter, vwinter@ecasd.us, for more information.

THE MONTESSORI WAY

>>> CHILDREN'S HOUSE, E1, AND E2

One of the most noticeable things in a Montessori school is mixed-aged classes. These classes are grouped based on the "Planes of Development".

- **Children's House** - 4-6 years (4k-5k, we use abbreviations 4CH and 5CH)
- **Elementary 1 (E1)** - 6-9 years (1st-3rd grade)
- **Elementary 2 (E2)** - 9-12 years (4th-5th grade)

Want to learn more? Our school library has resources for you!



Join us for an exciting crosstown match!

SEPT 28 | **LOCATION NORTH HIGH SCHOOL** | **TIME 7:00PM**



Back to School Emotional Wellness

Returning to school can be stressful! It's normal for children to feel anxious during this time. Here are a couple tips on how to ease their worries:

1. **Communicate:** Check in with your child(ren) often. Acknowledge your child's fears and let them know you understand and that it's normal to feel anxious.
2. **Encourage In-Person Social Interactions:** Spending time with friends outside of school can make the transition smoother and more enjoyable.
3. **Create and Continue Routines:** Establishing bedtimes, eating healthy meals, and setting aside time for homework and relaxation can help your child adjust to the school year.

This information is provided by the Eau Claire Health Alliance - Substance Misuse Action Team, which works to prevent alcohol, tobacco, and other drug misuse. Learn more at: www.getinvolvedasap.org

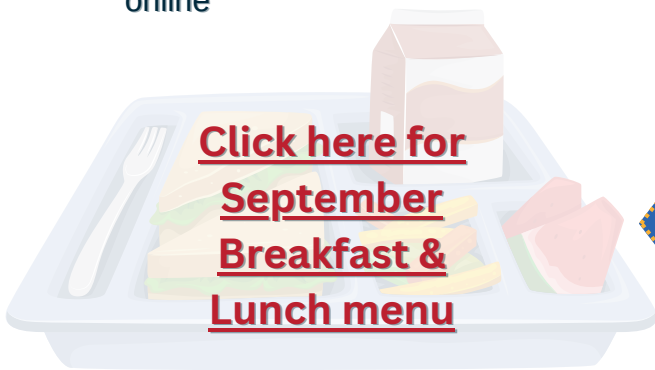
Eau Claire Area Elementary and Middle School Students!

Varsity players from EC North and EC Memorial will be signing autographs and cake will be provided after the match for students and players!



Free Food delivered every week. Available for **EVERY** student. No requirements. Contact Gin Winter vwinter@ecasd.us with any questions.

- Use QR Code or [click](#) to sign up online



REMINDER:
 SNACKS ARE NOT PROVIDED FOR E1 & E2. STUDENTS AT THESE LEVELS MUST PACK THEIR OWN SNACKS.

Does Your Child Need a Warm Winter Coat?

The Eau Claire Fire Fighters Local 487 has partnered with Operation Warm to provide new winter coats to **students in need** at CV Montessori School. The coats provide warmth and durability, with styling that are "kid friendly" with deep pockets. New colors and styles are selected each season.

The Eau Claire Fire Fighters Local 487 will be fundraising with the goal of



raising enough money to buy the number of coats requested, however, since they depend on donations, not all families are guaranteed to receive a coat. If you are interested in more information about this amazing organization and/or donating money, please go to www.operationwarm.org/eauclaire.



These coats are intended for children in need for **this** winter. This program is not intended to provide coats for future years. Coats come in sizes: **4T, 5/6, 7/8, 10/12, 14/16, and 18** and we can also provide adult sizes if needed.

If your family is experiencing financial hardship and your child at CV Montessori is in need of a winter coat this year, please complete the requested information below and have your child return the bottom half to **Ms. Gin, Partnership Coordinator** by **September 25th**.

I have read the above information regarding the opportunity to receive a winter coat for my child. I understand that the Eau Claire Fire Fighters Local 487 will be fundraising with a goal to try and buy a coat for each child who requested one, but that I may not be selected to receive one.



Parent Name (First & Last) _____

Phone _____ email _____

You will be notified at a later date when the coats are coming in.

I would like a coat for my child/children at **CV Montessori** who is/are listed below:

Child's Name (First & Last)	Grade	Teacher	Coat Size (Circle size)
			4T 5/6 7/8 10/12 14/16 18 Adult S M L
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Please return this form to Ms. Gin by **Wednesday, September 25th**

FROM THE EC PUBLIC LIBRARY

APPROXIMATELY 1,800 CHILDREN PARTICIPATED IN THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM! OUR PUBLIC LIBRARY IS PROUD OF EACH ONE OF YOU AND WE ARE TOO! WELL DONE!

CHECK OUT THEIR [CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER](#).

CHIPPEWA VALLEY BOOK FESTIVAL IS EXCITED TO BRING BACK THE YOUNG AUTHORS SHOWCASE (GRADES 3-8). [LEARN MORE HERE](#).