Students Are Involved at Campbell Ridge!

Our Comets are busy in March. There are currently multiple student clubs going on at Campbell Ridge, it’s a busy place after school. Our Academic Team just won the District Championship for the 8th year in a row! Campbell Ridge team members that placed are:

1st—Quick Recall team
2nd Math—Ben D.
5th Math—Nick B.
2nd Soc. St.—Jade F.
3rd Soc. St.—Abby C.
5th Soc. St.—Derek R.
1st Sci.—Dominic P.
2nd Sci. Nick M.
5th Sci.—Jackson M.

1st—Lang. Arts—Abby C.
4th Lang. Arts—Haley D.
1st Composition—Mallory H.
2nd Comp.—Raychel K.
4th Comp.—Haley D.
4th Arts & Hum.—Gabe G.

We also have our fitness club going on right now. During practice they work on logging 25 miles so they can complete their final mile at the Flying Pig marathon in May.

Our CupStackers are working hard to prepare for the tournament on March 23rd at the Middle School. They practice every week and are learning all the stacks and combinations.

The Energy Stars are working to find ways to save energy and to educate our students and staff about how to save energy. Recently, they were able to distribute desk lamps to each room. They calculated the energy and cost savings for each room if teachers will turn off the overhead lights and use the desk lamp when they are working in their rooms.

Why so many clubs? Because we know that students that are involved and engaged in their school learn better, feel more of a community attitude, and exhibit more pride in themselves, their school, and their schoolwork. We encourage all students to get involved!

College and Career Week!

It’s that time! Next week we will shine a laser and focus on being College and Career ready. Throughout the week there will be special events to highlight College awareness.

- Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday—wear your favorite university colors
- Thursday—dress like your future occupation or job
- Friday—Wear your Campbell County or Campbell Ridge SpiritWear!
Homework is Hard, How can I Help?

Homework is hard! It is difficult for today’s families to keep it all together. Sports, clubs, teams, church, family, and schoolwork all compete for our time and attention. The list of things that tug and pull at our family time gets longer every year, especially as our kids grow older. Maybe these tips will help:

→ Unplug—Make a “no electronics” rule for weeknights—eliminate TV, handhelds, phones, etc. It’s tough at first, you have to actively plan and teach new activities. Many of our kids do not know how to play with a toy that does not have an on/off switch. Be patient, give it 3-4 weeks, your kids will miss the electronics less and less.

→ Picture this—Good readers form mental images as they read. Read aloud to your child but don’t let them see the pictures. After reading, discuss the images they saw, what characters were wearing, what did the place look like, etc.

→ Line them up—sometimes kids get math problems wrong because they don’t line up the numbers correctly. Keep graph paper in the house and teach your child to line up problems correctly by placing one number in each box.

→ Write it right—Kids can communicate thoughts better and more coherently when they don’t have to devote thought to making the actual letters. Have your child practice handwriting, using writing paper. Make sure they are forming the letters correctly according to how they have been taught in school. Try not to let your child “write in space” meaning on plain white copy paper. Give them lines to write on!

Sick of Bullies!

More than likely your child has come home at some time this year and told about a student being a bully. What did you tell them? Knock him on his rear-end? Tell the teacher? Just walk away? At Campbell Ridge we take bullying seriously and respond to every situation that we know about. We teach students how to respond to bullies at least twice each year.

→ Don't give the bully a chance. As much as you can, avoid the bully.

→ Stand tall and be brave. When you’re scared of another person, you’re probably not feeling your bravest. But sometimes just acting brave is enough to stop a bully.

→ Feel good about you. Nobody's perfect, but what can you do to look and feel your best?

→ Get a buddy (and be a buddy). Two is better than one if you're trying to avoid being bullied.

→ Ignore the bully. If you can, try your best to ignore the bully's threats.

→ Stand up for yourself. Pretend to feel really brave and confident. Tell the bully "No! Stop it!" in a loud voice.

→ Don't bully back. Don't hit, kick, or push back to deal with someone bullying you or your friends.

→ Don't show your feelings. Plan ahead. How can you stop yourself from getting angry or showing you're upset?

→ Tell an adult. If you are being bullied, it's very important to tell an adult. Find someone you trust and go and tell them what is happening to you.
PTO News...

Next Meeting—April 9, 5:00pm

PTO Officers:
President - Chris Couch
Vice President - Christy Eby
Secretary - Donna Cox
Treasure - Laura Brown
Events/Volunteer Coordinator Michelle Raney
Teacher - Melissa Clark

The PTO Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, March 23rd @ 10am.

BoxTops!
CRES is rocking the BoxTops this year. We have had two collections and have collected almost 43,000 Boxtops. That amounts to more than $4,000!

November 2012 — 21602
February 2013 — 21298
Total Collection — 42900.

CRES is ranked 21st in the Nation for box top collection!

We will do another collection before the end of the year so cut and save those Boxtops!

Nurse Notes
We are slowly heading toward the warmer weather, but we may have some cold weather yet to come. Any day that is below 32 degrees the students have indoor recess. If temperature is above 32 degrees, the students go outside to play. Please note this in the morning when considering how to dress your student for the day.

All students benefit from a nutritious meal and should try to take advantage of two meals a day in our Café. You might even qualify for free or reduced prices on the meals. For more information, call Patricia Sullivan, Café Manager at 859-448-4780 extension 1460.

Campbell County Schools does not allow any medication to be sent to school with students. A Doctor’s order is needed to give any medication at school, this includes cough drops. If you have any questions, please call me at school anytime from 7:30-3:30 at 859-448-4780 extension 1013.

Our student body consists of 700 students. Please be considerate of them and notify me if your child has head lice. Head lice can be spread many ways, from movie theaters to riding in someone else’s car. Be mindful to instruct children not to share hats or any hair utensils with someone else. Do not allow children to try hats on in the stores. If your child does present with head lice or nits, please notify me. I will give you information on removing lice and nits and hints on cleaning the areas in your house and car. If live lice or nits are noted, the student cannot attend school until you and your child see me for a head check. Children with head lice or nits cannot ride the school bus. This information is confidential.

Bedbugs are another subject that can be a problem. If you notice bedbugs in your house, please call me at school. A child having a bedbug problem at home may still attend class. I will check the student each morning before they enter their classroom. If a bug is found, it is disposed of and the clothing or book bag is placed in the dryer for 20 minutes. I will call you to stay up to date on your cleanup. Please also know this is kept in confidence.

If you have any questions on any health related issues, please feel free to call me at school 448-4780 or contact me via email at linda.hardy@campbell.kyschools.us

Nurse Linda
Free Dyslexia Seminar

Featuring leading dyslexia expert, Susan Barton.

Find out why bright children struggle first with spelling, then with written expression, and eventually hit a wall in reading development by third grade — if not sooner.

Susan Barton will share the causes and warning signs of dyslexia, and the classroom accommodations and effective tutoring methods needed to succeed.

Susan will also stay and answer questions from the audience. Be at the First Baptist Church on Friday, April 26, 2013 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

NKU Science Fair

Congratulations to Ben Dietz! He earned 1st place in Chemistry in the Elementary division and a 1st place Award of Excellence from NKU’s Department of Chemistry.

Way to go Ben!

MAP Testing

CRES Comets are taking the final MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) test of the 12-13 school year during March. Please check in with your child and watch your child’s classroom newsletter for specific dates and times.

Dress Code

REMINDER: Students may wear shorts to school beginning on April 8th.

Accelerated Reader

Do you know your child’s AR level? How many AR points they have this trimester? Check it all out at: https://hosted177.renlearn.com/96650/

March Theme and Character Word

Each month Campbell Ridge focuses our attention on a theme and a character word. The theme for March is “Math Madness” and the character word is “Availability”

Availability means to make my own schedule and priorities secondary to the wishes of those whom I serve.

The 5 “I Will” statements for Availability are:
1. I will put others ahead of myself.
2. I will find a way to help, not a way to hide.
3. I will be ready when I’m called.
4. I will be glad for the chance to serve.
5. I will check with the right person before I make commitments

Please make time to have discussions about “availability” in your home—we will emphasize how to serve others at school—you can reinforce this by making sure that your children know your expectations for serving others as well.