Monday, January 15th:

*Schools Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Wednesday, January 17th:

Wrestling @ William Byrd Middle School - 5:00 PM

School News:

BURTON CENTER FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

Parents/Guardians of Rising 9th Grade Students:

If your child will attend a *Roanoke County Public High School* next year, and your child is interested in applying to *Burton Center for Arts and Technology* (*BCAT*), Applications for the 2024-2025 School Year, may be submitted through January 15, 2024. Applications may be accessed at the following link: www.rcps.us/BCAT

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school counselor:

Joan Farley (Student Last Names A-K) <u>ifarley@rcps.us</u> 540.562.3900 Ext. 30011 Erica Schurdell (Student Last Names L-Z) <u>eschurdell@rcps.us</u> 540.562.3900 Ext. 30012

ROANOKE VALLEY GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL APPLICATION MEETINGS

Parents/Guardians of Rising 9th Grade Students:

SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025

If you have any questions about the RVGS Application Process, please contact your child's school counselor:

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- > Applications should be submitted to students' counselors by February 1, 2024.
- > Testing will take place on February 7, 2024 @ CSMS.
- > Permission for testing must be returned to students' counselors by January 24th
- Link to Roanoke Valley Governor's School: https://www.rvgs.k12.va.us/Page/1

MEETING SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, January 16th, 6:30 PM Governor's School Lecture Hall Thursday, January 18th, 6:30 PM Governor's School SRHS Library Tuesday, January 23rd, 6:30 PM Governor's School Lecture Hall

CSMS YEARBOOKS

Reserve your yearbook today by placing your order online at www.yearbookforever.com
The absolute last date to order a personalized yearbook (your name on the cover) is January 22, 2024. Don't delay... order your yearbook today!



CSMS SPELLING BEE

This year, we will hold our *CSMS Spelling Bee* during the week of January 29th. This year's winner will then represent CSMS at the *Roanoke County District Spelling Bee* on February 14, 2024.

Participation is optional but encouraged. If your child would like to participate in our Spelling Bee, please complete the following form: <u>CSMS SPELLING BEE 2024</u>

CSMS English teachers will provide students with additional information. Thank you!

*** CLEAR BAGS FOR SALE***

Effective immediately, only clear bags may be brought into any/all ticketed events at RCPS schools. To accommodate this requirement, we have clear \(\sigma\) Logo bags available for sale. (\$20 per bag or two bags for \$30)

To purchase a 12x12 bag, please stop by our Bookkeeper's Office. We accept cash or checks made payable to CSMS. Thank you!



SOUP FOR SENIORS FOOD DRIVE

CSMS will once again participate in the annual "SOUP FOR SENIORS" campaign. Let's join together to make this important community-wide effort a huge success!

Collection Window: Monday, January 22nd through Friday, February 2nd.

Collection boxes are located in all First Block Classrooms, as well as in our Counseling Suite and our Front Office.

Special thanks to our CSMS SCA and Jr. Beta Club Members who are helping to organize/manage this important campaign!

Please consider donating any of the following non-perishable food items: (No glass jars, please!)

- Soup
- Crackers
- Ramen Noodles
- Canned Meats
- Canned Vegetables/Fruit
- Peanut Butter/Jelly
- Oatmeal/Cream of Wheat
- Cereal/Breakfast bars

Thank you, in advance, for your generosity and for helping CSMS help our neighbors!



CSMS COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Report Cards:

On Friday, January 12, 2024, Semester 1 Report Cards were distributed to students. If your child was absent from school, you may view your child's Report Card by accessing your ParentVUE account and selecting "Report Card" from the tool bar. You may also contact Mrs. Truskey, in our Counseling Dept., to request a copy of your child's Report Card. (540-562-3900 X30010 mtruskey@rcps.us)

Course Requests for Academic Year 2024-2025: Parents of Current 6th and 7th Grade Students:

On Friday, January 12, 2024, Course Request Verification Forms for the 2024-2025 academic year were also distributed to 6th and 7th grade students. This is a list of classes your child is registered to take next school year.

There is NO need to return the Course Request Verification Form, unless you would like to request that a class be changed. In that case, please write the following information on the form and ask your child to take the altered form to the CSMS Counseling Office, no later than Wednesday, January 31, 2024.

- > Please indicate the requested change (which class your child would like to remove and which class should be added).
- > Please sign, date, and write your phone number on the form. A counselor will call you, if there are any questions.

You may also review your child's course registration for the 2024-2025 academic year through ParentVUE:

- > Access your ParentVUE account
- > Select "Course Request" from the vertical tool bar on the left

Once selected, your screen will produce the list of courses your child has selected for next year, including elective courses.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school counselor:

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Thank you!