WELCOME TO COVENTRY MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR!

99% of the answers to your most popular questions are included in this newsletter. If for some reason, we haven’t answered yours, please feel free to call the office. We are excited about the upcoming year and are very busy making preparations. Enjoy the rest of your summer! We look forward to seeing everyone on August 25th.

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OPENING DAY INFORMATION

First Day: August 25th

All Students: First period class assignments will be posted on the front doors at 5 PM on Friday, August 21st.

All student paperwork will be distributed on the first day of school. Parents should complete the paperwork and return it to school immediately with a check for school fees.

Fees for each grade level are as follows:

- 5th grade: $52.00
- 6th grade: $52.00
- 7th grade: $52.00
- 8th grade: $52.00

*All students in 6th grade and 7th & 8th grade will need a calculator from the approved Ohio Department of Education list. As soon as we receive information on those that are approved, we will distribute it to students and parents.

*Band students who utilize a “school owned instrument” will pay a $25.00 fee per year.

COMET CAMP ORIENTATION August 20th

Comet Camp Orientation will be held on August 20th from 9:00-11:00 for all incoming 5th grade students and any 6th, 7th or 8th grade students who are NEW to the district. A separate flyer regarding that event is enclosed for applicable students. Any student IN ATTENDANCE at Comet Camp will receive a Coventry Comet shirt within the first weeks of school.

For students who are unable to attend, don’t panic. We have a large group of 8th grade students identified as “guiding stars” who will assist all students in the first days of school. These students will be easily identifiable in the building and in the parking lot.

OPEN HOUSE August 25th   6:30-8:00 P.M.

Stop in anytime between 6:30-8:00 P.M. to meet your child’s teachers and pickup Harry London’s Chocolate.
**CMS Bell Schedule**

### 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Bell Schedule

- **1st Period**: 8:00 – 8:43 (43 min)
  (Attendance is taken and announcements are made at the
beginning of 1st period.)
- **2nd Period**: 8:46 – 9:26 (40 min)
- **3rd Period**: 9:29 – 10:09 (40 min)
- **4th Period**: 10:12 – 10:52 (40 min)
- **5th Period**: 10:55 – 11:35 (40 min)
- **6th Period**: 11:38 – 12:18 (40 min)
- **7th Period**: 12:21 – 1:01 (40 min)
- **Enhancement**: 1:04 – 1:34 (30 min)
- **8th Period**: 1:37 – 2:17 (40 min)
- **9th Period**: 2:20 – 3:00 (40 min)

### 5th Grade Modified Bell Schedule

- **Enhancement**: 10:55 - 11:25 (30 min)
- **5th Period**: 11:28 - 12:08 (40 min)
- **6th Period**: 12:11- 12:51 (40 min)
- **7th Period (lunch)**: 12:54 - 1:34 (40 min)

**Attention 5th grade:**

Lunch time is at 12:54 PM. Students are strongly encouraged to bring a
snack to enjoy during Enhancement at 10:55 AM.

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**A NOTE ABOUT FUNDRAISERS...**

Each year the school conducts various fundraisers to support activities and
provide rewards to students. Your support of these fundraisers is much appreciated. The office fundraisers include the **London’s Candy Sale** that will begin on August 25th and the **Magazine/Cookie Dough Sale** that will kick off in October. These fundraisers are **not** mandatory for students. Candy can be picked up by parents at Open House on August 25th. Distribution to students will occur at the end of each school day. These fundraisers will follow each other in short succession. However, once they are complete, you should not see additional fundraisers throughout the year (unless your child is involved in extra-curricular activities). Community support of these endeavors is crucial to their success and the corresponding activities and rewards for our students. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the office. **If you do not wish for your child to participate in the Harry London’s sale, please contact the office.**

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**DRESS CODE AND SUPPLY LISTS AVAILABLE AT COVENTRYSCHOOLS.ORG**

*Reminder...Students may not wear clothing that has holes, is torn or tattered.*

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**A NOTE ABOUT SCHOOL TRIPS:**

Students may have the opportunity for parent-paid, school-based overnight field trips. It is important to note that the school may exclude students from those trips at our discretion, including failure to pay fees and disciplinary reasons. Trip information will come home with students after the year begins.
STUDENT DROP-OFF PLEASE READ

Cars in the parking lot prior to 7:30 AM will prevent staff member arrival to ensure appropriate student supervision. Students arriving in cars should not arrive prior to 7:30. The building will be locked. Students arriving by car should only be dropped off at Door #15 to enter the Cafeteria. Students arriving via bus will be dropped off at the front door and go immediately to the Cafeteria. Students will be released from the Cafeteria at 7:55 AM and have 5 minutes to get to their first period class.

The tardy bell rings at 8:00 AM.

3 P.M. AFTERNOON DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

BUS: At the dismissal bell, students exit the front doors and need to load the bus that will transport them directly home.

WALKING: Students who walk and must cross Cormany Rd. should do so in the marked cross-walk at the corner of Cormany and Robinson.

CAR: Parents who are picking up students at school should park ONLY in the lower lot. Parents should enter and exit the lower lot according to the morning drop-off procedures. Cars should only turn right to exit the lower lot. Parent car traffic should not at any time be in the upper portion of the parking lot nearest the building during the following times: 7:30-8:30 AM AND 2:30-3:30 PM. Tip to avoid frustration: Arrive for student pick-up after 3:10 PM. Please do not park in the grass or across the street. The safety of our students is jeopardized when these procedures are not followed. Parent volunteers direct traffic in the lot after school. Please be courteous and follow directions. If you would like to join our corps of lot volunteers, please contact the office.

*See map on back of this page. Map also posted on the website.

2015-2016 Student Scheduling

First period class lists will be posted on the front doors on Friday, August 21st at 5 PM. Students will receive schedules during their first period class on the first day of school.

Students that are currently enrolled in band or choir will be automatically re-enrolled in those classes unless a WRITTEN parent request for a change is made to Ms. Hibian in the Guidance Office (no e-mails). Want to join in the fun? Contact Ms. Hibian to add band and/or choir to your schedule. It is important to note that band and/or choir classes entail a year-long commitment. We will NOT remove students from band and/or choir once the school year begins. Ms. Hibian can be reached at khibian@coventryschools.org to answer any questions.