

# Cub Community News - 5: Issue 1

Welcome to our Cub Community Newsletter. We send periodic updates to keep our community informed and involved. This newsletter is posted to [Our Important Announcements](#) on [our website](#) and sent directly to families through email.

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## In This Issue

Welcome to our community newsletter. We hope that you find the information timely and helpful. Topics in this edition of Cub Community News include:

- **School Updates and Information**
  - Course Preference Forms
  - TikTok Trends
  - Uniforms and Dress Code - It's Still a Thing!
  - Online Registration 2025-2026
- **Community Connection and Events**
  - Emerald Memories Dance
  - Eighth Grade Academic Awards Night
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## School Updates and Information

### Course Preference Forms

Current 6th and 7th grade (future 7th and 8th grade) students received their course preference forms for the coming school year this morning. We ask that they bring the forms home to you to review and sign. We do this so that we are on the same page when students receive their final schedule.

We attempt to accommodate top choices. However, we are not always able achieve that goal. Given the way our schedule works and students' individual academic needs, students need to be prepared to be scheduled in one of the courses below their No. 1 choice.

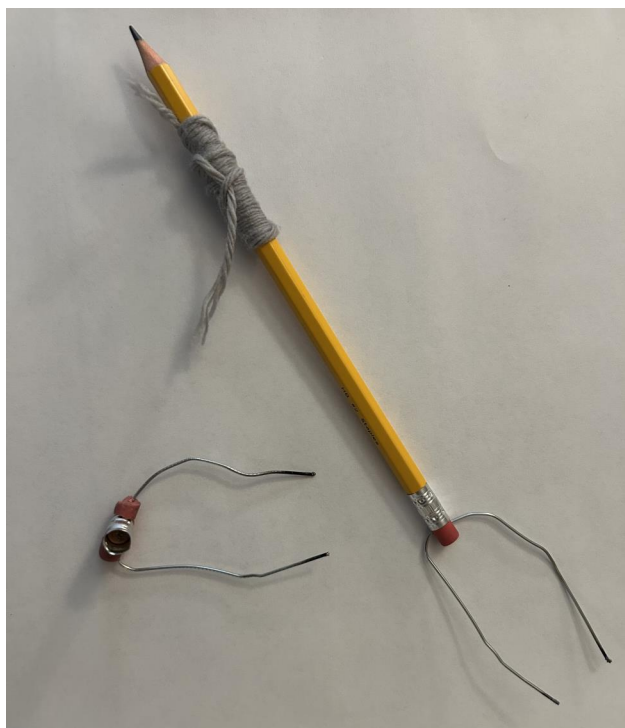
Once you review your child's preferences, sign the form and return it with your student to give to your child's advisory teacher. If you have questions about the schedule, please reach out to a counselor.

### TikTok Trends

We have noticed that students are using paper clips to short circuit electrical outlets and damage computer components and keyboards. Both of these activities damages school equipment. Computers need keyboards or the laptop replaced. Short circuiting electrical outlets has resulted in damage to outlets, breakers and items plugged into outlets (like refrigerators, Promethean ActivPanels and more).

We follow-up these events with both school consequences and restitution. Restitution bills can reach more than \$1,000 depending upon the severity of the damage. Replacement of classroom computers costs \$400+ with keyboards costing \$50+. We have caught students that damaged computers in each of their classes throughout the schedule.

Please have a conversation about this issue with your student and monitor social media for risk-taking behavior like this.



### Uniforms and Dress Code Keep Us Focused to the End!

Our rules, routines, and procedures keep us safe and focused while we are here at school. As we near the end of the school year, there are more instances of students attempting to push the boundaries when it comes to our [uniform policy](#) and dress code. We wanted to let you know that we are more focused on what students are wearing because what students wear has a positive impact on their focus at school. In particular, we would like to emphasize:

- Solid colors (green, black, or white)
- Crew neck T-shirts or collared shirts (solid colors)
- Tops that extend below the waistline (no bare midriffs)
- Shorts that extend below the fingertips.

### Complete Your Child's Annual Online Registration

We are nearing 100% of our enrolled students with updated [registrations](#) for the coming school year. We encourage you to complete your [online registration today](#). We are planning for next year and your updated registration helps us include your child in our plans. Our feeder high schools schedule course requests for students that have completed the [online registration](#) process.

We will begin to collect our students' course preference forms in the coming month and students with online registration completed will be the first course preferences processed.

If you need assistance with online registration or access to Infinite Campus, please reach out and call our office at 775-746-5860.

## Community Connectedness Information and Events

### Student Connection

#### **Emerald Memories Dance**

Our Emerald Memories dance is on May 16th from 5:30-7:00pm. This dance is for 7th and 8th grade students with no major behavior events in the 4th quarter. Tickets are \$7 and go on sale Monday. Snacks and photos will be available for purchase at the dance. Doors close at 6pm.

If you are willing to help with set-up, chaperoning and clean-up, please [sign-up here](#).

#### **McQueen High School Summer School**

Attention families of future McQueen Lancer 9th Graders:

We want to announce an exciting adjustment to our upcoming Summer School Schedule. We are able to adjust our times from 8:00a - 12:00p to 8:00a - 12:30p. For that reason, we will now be starting our summer school on June 16th versus June 11th and we will be able to still finish on July 3rd.

This is a great opportunity to get ahead or catch up on credits! Please click on the link below to sign your student up.

Link to the sign-up form for summer school: <https://forms.office.com/r/iLJxeN1865>

### Family Connection

#### **Color Run**

The Clayton Parent Club and Clayton Leadership Team are putting on a Color Run to celebrate our wonderful students, strengthen our Clayton community, and for an end-of-year fundraiser!

It is a simple fundraiser: Students solicit and collect flat donations from family, friends, or businesses for three weeks from Monday April 21- Friday May 9. The team with the advisory classes who bring in the most money will be allowed to run a few minutes before (and therefore get "painted" with the most color) each subsequent team.

**The earning goal of this Color Run is \$20 per student.** The money earned will be used for: Dances, CPC sponsored game nights, snacks at sports events, activities allocated for Principal and CPC approved special teacher requests, and more!

One of the best parts of this fundraiser (besides promoting physical activity) is that nearly 100% of the money raised by your kids goes directly to Clayton (minus minimal costs for printing). Additionally, Clayton Parent Club, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) association and your donations may be tax deductible. **Our tax id number is #27-3536302 -----**. Please make checks out to Clayton Parent Club. If you would prefer to donate funds electronically, please send them through Zeffy. Here is the link: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/peer-to-peer/2025-clayon-color-run>

Please email any questions to: [claytonparentclub@gmail.com](mailto:claytonparentclub@gmail.com)

### Clayton Color Run Timeline

- **April 21, 2025:** Color Run packets go home with students (including fundraiser details and donation receipts).
- **April 21-May 9:** Students collect donations.
- **Friday May 9:** Students bring in their donations to their advisory class in preparation for Color Run. Clayton's Parent Club will count donations.
- **Winning team is announced May 16!**
- **Friday June 6:** CLAYTON COLOR RUN!

### Clayton Data Point

In each of our Cub Community News editions, we will include a data point from our school. It could be related to our general demographics, student achievement and assessment, school programs and services or school goals.



Check your student's engagement here at school. One way to track attendance and tardies through [Infinite Campus](#).

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*Number of Tardies in the Last 8 Days = 664*

*Number of Tardies per Day = 83*

*Total Number of instructional Minutes Missed (on average per tardy) = 4,684*

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## Calendar & Events

Stay connected with our Cub Community. Here is what is happening:

- **5/9:** Student Store
- **5/15:** Attendance Reward Event (0 Tardies: 4/1-4/30)
- **5/16:** Formal Dance (7/8th grade; 5:30-7:00p)
- **5/21:** Spring Orchestra Concert (**new time** 7:00pm; Gym)
- **5/22:** Spring Band Concert (6:30pm; Gym)
- **5/23:** Student Store
- **5/23:** May Spirit Day – THEME TBD
- **5/26:** Memorial Day Holiday – No Classes (Building Closed)
- **5/27:** Clayton Music Department Celebration (TBD)
- **5/29:** St./Month – Coolest Cubs (Lunches)
- **5/29:** 8th Grade Academic Awards (5:30-7:00p)
- **6/4:** Attendance Reward Event (0 Tardies: 5/1-6/6; 0 Tardies: Q4 + S2)
- **6/4:** Finals – S2 District Biology
- **6/4:** Finals – Algebra & Integrated I/II
- **6/5:** Team Assemblies/Celebrations: Cub Buck & Attendance Raffle
- **6/6:** EOY Fun Activity: Color Run
- **6/6:** Last Day of School for Students (released at 11am)

## Contact Us

We are always here to help. Please contact us with your questions.

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