

# Evergreen Middle School



“Where Good Things Happen”

Principal's Grizzly e-mail  
September 14-18, 2009

What an outstanding start to the 2009-2010 school year! What I was impressed by the most was our 7th and 8th graders willingness to help our new students, especially 6th graders find their way around the building on the first day of school! This is truly an example the “Evergreen Way”

We haven't wasted any time getting started and your child has probably already had homework by the second day of classes. As I walk through classrooms, students in math have been learning how to use their “new” Math Connects books and most have taken the pre-assessment test that we may use as part of our student goal setting for Student-Led Conferences. In Language Arts, students are reading and writing with many teachers having their students write about themselves so that teachers can get to know them as individuals. We've spent the week figuring out that it's easy to mix up hallway locker combinations and PE locker combinations, especially if you are a 6th grader!

Even though we have 582 students as of 10:00 AM this morning, it is our goal to treat every student as an individual. As parents, feel free to contact your child's teacher at any time. Using e-mail is probably the best approach and individual teacher e-mail addresses are found at our school website [www.cvsd.org/evergreen](http://www.cvsd.org/evergreen)

Next Thursday (9/17), all students will have their school pictures taken. Fall sports is in full swing with 7th and 8th graders participating in Cross Country, Football, and Softball. On Monday (9/14) @ 7:45 AM in Room 305 (Mrs. Mortensen), there will be an informational meeting for 7th and 8th graders interested in participating in Math is Cool!

Central Valley is preparing for an active influenza season with cases of H1N1 flu (formerly called 'swine' flu) and seasonal flu expected over the coming weeks and months. As a school district, we are working closely with local public health officials and are reviewing and adjusting our pandemic influenza plan for H1N1 flu. In our schools, we are actively reminding our students to stay healthy by washing their hands often and covering their coughs and sneezes with a sleeve or tissue. Our school employees are alert for students with any flu-like symptoms and are acting quickly to send ill students home. Flu-like symptoms include fever, cough, sneezing, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, tiredness or extreme exhaustion.

As a parent, you can help by reinforcing proper hygiene techniques with your children to help prevent the spread of viruses. Most importantly, please keep your sick child at home until completely well and report your student's flu-like symptoms to our school office. Your patience is appreciated as we work to follow public health guidelines by sending sick children home and asking questions about your child's specific symptoms to better track cases of influenza in our community. Our district's website ([www.cvsd.org](http://www.cvsd.org)) will be updated with important parent information as the flu season progresses. Thank you for your understanding and support as we work together to keep our students and schools healthy!

## Calendar of Events

Monday, 9/14	Math is Cool! Grade 7&8 7:45 AM Room 305
Tuesday, 9/15	
Wednesday, 9/16	
Thursday, 9/17	Collaboration Thursday Picture Day
Friday, 9/18	

## Lunch Menu

Monday, 9/14	General Tsu Dippers w/Rice or Noodles
Tuesday, 9/15	Chicken Fried Steak w/Mashed Potatoes
Wednesday, 9/16	Burrito w/Chips or Taco Salad
Thursday, 9/17	Lasagna w/Broccoli & Roll
Friday, 9/18	Corn Dog & Mac and Cheese

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