



The Colt Connection

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Copper Mountain Parents,

I wanted to take a moment and thank the wonderful Copper Mountain community for your involvement in our school. It was so great to see so many of you attend Student-Led Conferences last week, even despite the bad weather. As a faculty and administration, we really appreciate your continued support. If you were unable to attend, your student can still bring home their portfolio from their TA teacher and present it to you at home.

Also, we appreciate the time that many of you have taken to fill out our school climate survey for parents. Your feedback and input is very valuable to us as we review the information provided by the surveys as a staff each year. If you did not get a chance to complete the survey, we invite you to visit our homepage (coppermountain.jordandistrict.org) where you'll find the survey link.

Thank you again for your involvement and support of the "Mountain"!

Mr. Cody Curtis
CMMS Principal



Upcoming Events

February 19

Chick-fil-A
South Jordan, 5:00 – 7:00 pm
Percent of sales to CMMS

February 20

Brown Bag & a Book, all lunches
From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler

March 5

Orchestra 2 & 3
Festival at Elk Ridge
During school

March 6

Orchestra Concert
7:00 pm

March 11-15

College Week

March 13

College Carnival
5:00 – 7:00 pm
(See pg. 2 for details)

March 20

Brown Bag & a Book, all lunches
Hidden Figures
(Young Reader's Edition)

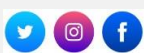
March 21

Beehive Battle of the Books

Quarter 3 Ends

March 22

No School
Grade Transmittal Day



In the Media Center

Thanks to all who supported the Media Center by purchasing at our **Scholastic Book Fair!**

Beehive Battle of the Books – on Thursday, March 21, CMMS will take a team of six students to Riverton High School to compete against four other middle schools. The students selected will be those who have read more of the 19 books than others.

Counselors' Corner

Test Strategies

If your student is participating in either of these tests, we encourage students to simply do their very best. Students are not graded on these tests, but the tests provide valuable information to let us know how your student is doing and what instruction is needed for the following year. Help your student by ensuring they receive adequate sleep the night before (at least 8 hours). A healthy breakfast and proper hydration is also helpful on testing days. Students will be allowed to take a break to get a drink of water, use the restroom, or eat a snack if needed. Teachers will be informed of your student's participation in either test and will be excused from any classes missed. They will need to work with their teachers to make up any homework, instruction, or assessments missed during the test. We will make sure your student will get lunch and will get back to class as soon as possible.

College Week – March 11-14

March madness is a month away and Copper Mountain gets into the spirit of the games with a little competition of its own. TA Classes will battle it out for victory during College Week. TA classes earn points by participating in a variety of college related activities during their TA class, Lunchtime activities, and joining us at College Carnival on March 13. At the College Carnival you will find food, carnival games, college information booths, and college-related presentations. College Carnival is a fun (and free) activity for the whole family!



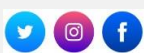
Testing

WIDA Access Test

The WIDA ACCESS test is given yearly to English Language Learners in all grades PreK-12. The assessments measure students' academic English language. The results are used to determine the student's growth and progress, as well as to inform instruction for the next year.

NAEP Test

The National Assessment of Educational Progress—also called The Nation's Report Card. The results provide educators, policymakers, elected officials, and parents across the country with invaluable information regarding how our children are doing compared to other children in participating large urban districts, other states, and the nation. Schools are elected to participate in the NAEP test every few years. This year it is Copper Mountain Middle school's turn. Students in 8th grade will be randomly selected to participate. A letter will be sent home with more information if your student has been selected to participate.



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