Howdy Colts!

I just want to take a moment to remind students and parents about the great opportunities to get involved at Copper Mountain and earn recognition and achievement award. The Colt Spirit Award is a chance for students to participate in school activities, demonstrate academic achievement, serve in the community and at school, and show positive citizenship. By passing off specific requirements throughout the year, students will earn points towards earning the award at the end of the school year. Ask your TA teacher or counselor for more information. It’s time to show your school spirit and work towards the Colt Spirit Award!

- Principal Cody Curtis

**SBO Fundraiser**

Congratulations Colts! We are happy to announce that this year’s SBO Fundraiser successfully raised over $3,500! The funds will go to the Utah Refugee Education and Training Center to help refugees in Salt Lake City obtain the supplies and education they need to be successful in our community. Classes that met their goal were invited to a “Minute-to-win-it” assembly on Nov. 21 and those individual students who donated a specified amount were given the privilege of throwing pie in a teachers face at lunch on Nov. 21. Thank you to all of those students and families that donated to help the support the cause!

**Copper Mountain Middle Socks**

Copper Mountain School Spirit Socks are here! Just in time for cold winter days and holiday gifts. We have two color options and patterns, maroon and white, along with Small, Medium, or Large sizes. Students can purchase a pair of socks for $7 at lunch in the cafeteria beginning Monday, Nov. 27th through Friday, Dec. 1. After that, the socks can be purchased directly from the main office.

**8th Grade Colonial Day**

Our annual Colonial Day was held on Monday, November 20th. 8th Grade students had the chance to go "back in time" to play colonial games, make butter, and learn Colonial etiquette. Thank you to our 8th Grade US History teachers for all the time and preparation that went into a successful day!
**Performing Arts**

The CMMS dance students have been working hard to prepare dances related to U.S. History for the upcoming Dance Concert. The evening show for parents is Dec 12 at 6:30 p.m. CMMS students will see the assemblies on Dec 13th. We hope to see you there!

Also, the Choir Concert is scheduled for Dec. 13th @ 7:00, the Orchestra classes will be performing their concert on Dec. 19th @ 7:00, and the Band Concert will be the night of Dec. 20 @ 7:00. Thank you to all of our Performing Arts teachers for the time and effort that goes into preparing for these events.

**CMMS Chinese Classes**

5 classes of Copper Mountain Middle School received classroom behavioral award because they achieved their learning goals successfully. They demonstrated Martial Arts in school on Oct 16th. Martial arts directly linked to Chinese history and culture. Through the class, students understand the different forms of martial arts including Shaolin Temple, Nan Quan, Bei Tui etc. Martial arts requires not only physical strength, but also the knowledge of medicine and philosophy.

**8th Grade Planning for College and Career Readiness (PCCR)**

8th grade Plan for College and Career Readiness (PCCR) appointments begin November 28 and will continue into the beginning of January. If you have not scheduled an appointment for your student, one will be scheduled for you. Please contact Julie Read in the Counseling Center if you have any questions regarding your PCCR appointment or if you wish to reschedule. This is a great opportunity for parents and students to sit down one-on-one with your student's school counselor to discuss your students college and career needs. Counselors will also help your student create a 4-year plan, discuss high school graduation requirements, go over financial aid, help your student set goals, and answer any questions you or your student may have. Please support your student by attending this important meeting together. Some evening appointments are available to help accommodate parents' schedules.

**Attendance Goals**

This year Copper Mountain will be offering various incentives to students who demonstrate positive attendance patterns. These incentives may include drawings for prizes, invitations to celebrations, and individual rewards. We are partnering with local businesses and other organizations in the community, including our own PTA, to provide these incentive opportunities. A focus will be on reducing the number of tardy’s, late-check in’s, and unexcused absences. Thanks for all your efforts towards student attendance. Our average daily attendance for 1st Quarter was 98% - Great job!