



NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME BACK!

AUGUST 2023

I hope you are enjoying your summer and are as excited and enthusiastic as I am about the 2023-2024 school year. As we prepare to open the doors, please accept my gratitude for allowing me to continue serving as the superintendent of the Cochrane-Fountain City School District.

A new school year is always exciting. I am motivated and encouraged by all the hard work of everyone in preparing our facilities, relocating classrooms, moving the district office next to the high school library, technology support to the previous district office, and counseling to the high school hallway for efficiency and collaboration opportunities. This spring, we started to align administrative roles to create consistency and efficiency. Starting this fall, Mr. Stoppelmoor will be the JH/HS principal and activities director, Mrs. McKay will be the elementary principal and curriculum director, and I will be the superintendent and special education director, with assistance from Mrs. Demers, who is contracted with C-FC ½ time. We also welcome some new staff to our family, John Peterson (tech ed teacher), Patrick Zalewski (band teacher), Jackie Armstrong (custodian), Paul Krueger (custodian), Brian Wolf (bus driver), and Don Dittrich (bus driver). Other staff in new places include Jennifer Brandt (3rd-grade teacher), Amanda McKitty (2nd-grade teacher), Kyler Sullivan (K-5 special education) and Andrey Schmitt (6-8 special education).

Education today faces many obstacles; However, our challenge is to embrace the future and ensure that our students are ready for what lies ahead of them to become leaders in this exciting new world. We need to challenge students to think in new and innovative ways, encourage them toward understanding fundamental ideas, and drive their curiosity to discover what they don't know. To accomplish this monumental task, we are implementing our "Portrait of a Pirate" initiative to ensure our students have the academic, career, and life skills to succeed. The "Portrait of a Pirate" recognizes each student has unique goals, skills, and interests and will rely on diverse research-based metrics to assess a student's life, career, and academic preparedness. We will consider the whole person – the breadth and depth of their coursework, participation in extracurricular activities, standardized test scores, academic grades, employment experiences, community service, and the ability to demonstrate soft skills within and beyond the classroom – to determine student readiness. We also believe this focus will increase engagement, expectations, and student ownership in their learning.

Once again, welcome to the new school year. I look forward to working with everyone to provide a safe and productive learning environment that supports student success. Working together, let's make this the best year ever!

Sincerely,
Troy White

Superintendent Cochrane-Fountain City School District



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NEW FOR 2023-2024

NEW FACES & NEW PLACES

New Faces

- John Peterson, Tech Ed
- Patrick Zalewski, Band
- Jackie Armstrong, Custodian
- Paul Krueger, Custodian
- Brian Wolf, Bus Driver
- Don Dittrich, Bus Driver

New Places

- Amanda McKitty, 2nd Grade
- Jenny Brandt, 3rd Grade
- Kyler Sullivan, K-5 Special Education
- Andrey Schmitt, 6-9 Special Education
- Kelly Demers, School psychologist



PRESCHOOL



The Cochrane-Fountain City School District will be expanding our 3-year-old preschool program. The program will mirror our 4K program, operating Monday - Thursday on days school is in attendance. Tuition is \$25 a day and is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Interested families whose child has reached their third birthday by September 1st of the enrollment year and toilet trained, please contact the office at 608/687-7771. Our program emphasizes the physical development of children by encouraging healthy play, the cognitive development that prepares the child for kindergarten, and the social-emotional development that focuses on self-regulation, social skills, problem-solving, and age-appropriate behavior.

ENROLL TODAY!

Contact our school office at 608-687-4391 or stop in to receive the application paperwork with the necessary forms. You will need the following information:

- ✓ Household information -- address and phone numbers
- ✓ Parent information -- work and cell phone numbers, email addresses
- ✓ Student information -- demographic and health/medication information
- ✓ Emergency Contact - addresses and phone numbers.
- ✓ Student vaccination record.
- ✓ Name and address of last school attended (if applicable)
- ✓ Most recent report card or high school transcript (if available).
- ✓ A valid email address.

Students enrolling in school for the first time will need to also provide the office with the following documentation:

- Birth Certificate

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OPEN HOUSE

2023-2024 Open House & Registration
Wednesday, August 23, 2023 1:00 – 6:00

All students:

- ◆ Update
 - Registration information
 - Parent and emergency contacts
 - Health information
- ◆ School pictures with Jostens
- ◆ Meet your teachers
- ◆ Drop-off your school supplies
- ◆ Free & reduced lunch applications
- ◆ Transportation information

Grades 7-12 only

- ◆ Junior High Orientation 6:00 pm in the Auditorium (Grades 7 and 8).
- ◆ Find your locker, try the combination to open and drop-off your school supplies.
- ◆ Learn about and sign up for Athletics and Activities.
- ◆ Chromebooks will be distributed on the first day of classes.

Three and Four-Year-Old Kindergarten

- ◆ Students and parents will attend a Open House on Monday, August 28th. 3K and 4K students' first day of school will be August 29th.
- ◆ Bring in all of your child's supplies, meet their teachers, become acquainted with their classroom, and pay for milk break.
- ◆ You will receive a letter from your teacher regarding the times available.

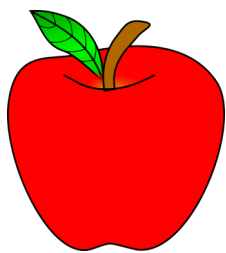
Message from Head Start

It's almost time!!! We have seen many past, present, and future children, at the pool, on the river, or simply at the park. We have absolutely loved the hugs and are looking forward to many more. Head Start staff will be back to work on August 14, 2023. Prior to starting school, we will be contacting each family to schedule a home visit. What this will entail is the staff working with you and your child will visit your home, simply to get to know you and your child and answer any question you may have. We also want to remind all parents that NO SUPPLIES are need, we provide all school supplies, cots, blankets, etc. We are so excited for you and your child to become a member of the CFC Head Start school family.

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STUDENT INFORMATION



Office Hours - The school office will open at 7:30 in the morning. Students may enter the building beginning at 7:45 a.m. Students must check in or out of school for the day through the office. The office closes at 4:00 p.m.

Student Access - Students should arrive after 7:45. Note that the main entrance

to the building will open at 7:30 a.m., and any student arriving prior to 7:45 will wait in the vestibule. Elementary students arriving prior to 7:45 will wait in the vestibule and then in the school commons until the first bus arrives at school, approximately 7:45.

Student/Family Handbook - The Student-Family Handbook is available on our website. All students and parents are encouraged to become familiar with the policies in the handbook. Each family is required to sign a form indicating your family read the handbook. Students will not be allowed to participate in co-curricular activities or field trips until this form has been turned in.

Homework Requests - Requests for homework to be collected and sent home on days of absence must be made before 8:45 a.m. in order to assure the notification of all teachers. Parents are encouraged to ask for homework for absences of more than one day.

Leaving School During the Day - When it is necessary for a child to leave school during the school day, the parent is requested to provide a written notice or to call the office. Once notified of the pending departure, the student is provided a "Permit to Leave the Building" slip. Parents may pick up their child at the main entrance to the building or in the designated Pick Up Lane in the parking lot.

Clearing Absences - Parents should call the school on the day of the student's absence to clear it. You may also email the office secretaries regarding the absence. (rweber@cfc.k12.wi.us) & (kpehler@cfc.k12.wi.us). Please email both secretaries to ensure notification. All absences should be cleared with the office by a parent/guardian within 2 days. An absence is considered to be unexcused until we hear from a parent/guardian.

Student Visitors - C-FC is a closed campus. Non-enrolled students are not allowed to visit school at any time.

Bus Transportation - Bus transportation is provided for all students. C-FC will only allow students to go to and from school from their designated destination. There will not be any bus passes to other locations given unless there is an emergency. The school establishes bus routes yearly and all students will have assigned seating

ELEMENTARY SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Grades K-6 - School will start on Monday August 28th. Any students who have not received a room assignment should report to the main office. Elementary classes start at 8:20 a.m. and are dismissed by grade level from 3:16 to 3:20 p.m. Wednesday dismissal for all is at 2:54 p.m.

Phones & two-way communication devices - Personal electronic devices, such as cell phones, ear buds, smart watches, etc., should not be brought to school without written parent permission in the school office. If a parent requests that their child has a personal electronic device with them at school, the request should be made in writing using the form from the school office. IN addition, the device must be off and put away once the student has arrived at school and may not be accessed until after dismissal from the school day.

JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Grades 7-12 - Students in grades 7-12 will meet in the auditorium at 8:00 for a welcome and update on policies on August 28th. Students will then break into class meetings to discuss class activities for the year. Following the meetings, students will proceed through a shortened period schedule for the day. High school classes begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 3:20 p.m. Wednesday dismissal is at 2:54 p.m.

Lockers - All 7-12 hall lockers have built-in combination locks on them. Physical education students are issued a lock for their locker at no cost. Only school-issued locks are allowed on PE lockers. Students who damage or fail to return a school lock will pay \$4.00 to purchase a new one.

Backpacks - Students may use backpacks to transport school materials to and from school, but backpacks will not be used to transport materials between classes. Backpacks in the classroom have created an unsafe walking area in classes and some students are carrying an unneeded amount of weight during hallway passing.

Phones & two-way communication devices - Students who bring cell phones to class will place their cell phones in the phone caddy in the classroom. Cell phones will not be taken with students when leaving class for the bathroom.

Chromebooks - All 7-12 students receive a Chromebook for academic use in research and completing assignments. Students will receive their Chromebook on the first day of classes and may take the Chromebook home. Students are responsible for the use and care of their Chromebook. Parents and students must sign



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2023-24 Cochrane Fountain City School Calendar

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- August 16 & 17– New Teacher Staff Development
- August 21, 22, 23, 24– Staff Development - No Students
- August 23 – Open House PreK-12
- August 28 – First Day of School for Students
- September 4 – Labor Day – **No School**
- September 18-22 – Homecoming
- October 20 - Staff Development - No Students
- November 7 & 9 - P/ T Evening Conferences PreK-12
- November 10 – Staff Development - No Students
- November 20-24 - Thanksgiving Break - **No School**
- December 25 – January 1 Winter Break - **No School**

- January 22 - Staff Development - No Students
- February 16 – **No School**
- February 19 – Staff Development – No Students
- March 15 – Staff Development – No Students (Snow Day)
- March 25 & 26 – P/T Evening Conferences PreK-12
- March 27 - April 1 - Spring Break – **No School**
- April 26 - Staff Development – No Students (Snow Day)
- May 25 – Graduation
- May 27 – Memorial Day – **No School**
- May 30 – Last Day of School
- May 31 – Staff Development Day – No Students (Snow Day)

School Day (M, T, R, F) 8:00 – 3:21
 Wednesday Early Release at 2:54 p.m.
 Parent / Teacher Conference 3:30 - 7:30 pm

	First / Last Day of School
	Teacher Professional Development Days - No Students
	No School / Holiday
	Parent / Teacher Conferences

- * The calendar may be revised during the school year depending on emergency days missed or other circumstances.
- * Inclement weather days:
 - The first 3 days will not be made up.
 - The next 3 will be made up in person on in-service days, sequentially, in March, April, and May.
 - Any additional days will be conducted a virtual learning days.

STUDENT FEES

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND SEPARATE CHECKS FOR EACH TYPE OF FEE.

CO-/EXTRA-CURRICULAR FEES

Co-/extra-curricular fees are to be paid PRIOR to a student participating in co-/extra-curricular activities. The form is available to complete and/or print from our website under the C-FC Manuals and Forms link. This form should be completed, checks made out to the school for the correct amount and both the form and fees turned in to the school office. Fee payment status will be updated on a daily basis.

If a student participates in only one co-/extra-curricular activity, the per-activity fee of \$35.00 should be paid. A student participating in two activities would pay \$70.00 and a student participating in three or more activities would pay a maximum of \$105.00 for the year. There is a \$150.00 family maximum.

CO-/EXTRA CURRICULAR FEES

Individual Student:

- Participation in 1 activity \$35.00
- Participation in 2 activities \$70.00
- Participation in 3+ activities \$105.00
- Family maximum: \$150.00

Fees are collected for the following co-/extra-curriculars:

- All Athletic Teams
- Trap Team
- FBLA
- FFA
- Forensics
- Drama
- SkillsUSA
- FCCLA

**The fee may be waived if a student is approved



ELEMENTARY MILK BREAK FEE

Beginning with the first day of school, white or chocolate milk (1/2 pint), will be available at break for students in grades 4K-6 at a cost of \$25.00 per student per semester. Families may pay by the year or by the semester. Break money will be collected by the child's teacher on the first day of school. Students will be allowed to participate only after payment has been received. Parents may make one check payable to C-FC School for all participating children in the family. Students in grades 4k-5th who qualify for Free & Reduce meals are able to have free milk break.

Please make **separate** checks for break money and lunch money.

DAIRYLAND CONFERENCE ATHLETIC EVENT ADMISSIONS

The Dairyland Conference has changed the admission policy for conference games/meets. Students/children will no longer be charged an admission fee. Senior citizen passes issued by a school district will be accepted at all schools.

Seniors (age 62 and older) who do not have a pass can request one through the main office.

We will only have one season pass...for adults...for \$40.00. If you plan to attend more than 10 events, this is great way to save money.

Passes will be available at the ticket table the first few home games.

DAIRYLAND CONFERENCE ATHLETIC EVENT ADMISSIONS

Adult ~ \$4.00 Students are Free.

Senior Citizen are free for conference athletic events.

Please note that non-conference events and WIAA playoffs events may have different prices.

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STUDENT MEALS

FEE AND REDUCED PRICE MEAL APPLICATION FORMS DUE IN ASAP

Each family in the district with school-age children should have received a free and reduced price meal application in the mail. Please look over the information, complete the application and send it to school. Return the application in a sealed envelope and label it ATTN: Food Service. In order for children to receive free or reduced price meals beginning with the first day of school, application forms should be turned in to school PRIOR to the first day students are in school.

MEAL PRICES SCHOOL YEAR 2023-24

Breakfast: Elementary=\$1.65 Jr/Sr High=\$1.95.
Lunch: Elementary=\$3.00 Jr High=\$3.15 Sr High=\$3.15

Families whose income changes to make them eligible during the school year may apply at that time by calling the Food Service office (608-687-8866) or downloading the application from our website: <http://www.cfc.k12.wi.us>.

All submitted information is totally confidential.

Please take the time to review the free/reduced price meal application to see if your family is eligible. If you qualify for free or reduced price meals, there are many benefits for you, your children and the school!

*Families who qualify for free or reduced price meals may request to have the co-curricular fees waived. This could add up to a savings of \$150 per family.

*The federal and state government uses the total participant numbers in the free and reduced lunch program when they award Title I funding. Participation in this program can also result in the availability of other grant dollars as well. What that means is that our school gets more money in aid for every student who is enrolled in the free and reduced price meal program.

Online Payments for Meal Accounts

Payments can be made using a credit or debit card, a checking account or a savings account to deposit funds in your child(ren)'s meal account. This service is available 24/7 via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

Information is available on our website under Auxiliary Services/Food & Nutrition or in print in the main office.

Questions regarding how to set up online payment on the portal or regarding your family's meal account or balance should be directed to Amanda Brakke at 687-8866 x208.

SCHOOL MEALS ACCOUNT POLICY

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has jurisdiction over the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and Breakfast Program (SBP). They require each state/local school district to institute and clearly communicate a meal charge policy which informs parents and students who pay full or reduced price cost for their meals how they will be impacted by having insufficient funds in their account to purchase a meal. USDA guidelines give jurisdiction to state/local school districts to set policies that allow schools to impose a limit on charges, offer alternate meals, or allow neither negative meal charges nor offer alternate meals.

Students whose family accounts are approved for free meals will always be served a planned menu meal without charge. They can, however, be restricted from making any charges to their account for additional food options. An application for free/reduced price meals can be submitted at any time throughout the school year. Once a child is approved for free or reduced price school meals, their eligibility status remains in effect for the duration of the school year and 30 operating days into the following school year or until a new eligibility determination is made, whichever comes first.

School Board Policy 763 and Rule 763 cover school meal charges and collections information. Once a family account reaches a balance of -\$50.00, an alternate meal option will be provided. Alternate meals will consist of a peanut butter or cheese sandwich, a fruit or vegetable and a milk.

Any student with any size negative balance in their family lunch account will not be allowed to:

- purchase items not associated with planned menu items for the day;
- double punch at breakfast or lunch time (eat more than one planned meal or meal item);
- purchase ala carte items;
- sign up for an after-school lunch; until the account balance is brought back to a positive balance.

Please review the policy in its entirety in the Appendix of the Student/Parent Manual.

The logo for 'My School MENUS' features the words 'My School' in a green, cursive font and 'MENUS' in a bold, green, sans-serif font below it.

are available online at
<https://cfc.nutrislice.com/>

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NEWS FROM THE PIRATE KITCHEN

The foodservice department is busy getting ready for an exciting school year! The new walk-in freezer/cooler are in the final stages of completion and the staff will be attending regional training soon.

All families are encouraged to fill out Free and Reduced Meal applications. NEW this year, forms can be filled out through Infinite Campus. They will also be available at Open House, or by following this link. <https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/school-nutrition/doc/freereduced-meal-application.doc>

Also, new this year for high school, a punch card must be purchased in the main office for a student to buy a second entrée. The second entrée punch card will be available for \$15.00 and is good for ten meals. The student must show their punch card to the foodservice staff when requesting seconds and again at the check-out register. At the register, staff will punch the card to show a second has been purchased. Once the student has used ten meals, a new card must be purchased to continue receiving seconds.

A reminder for students requesting special dietary needs: The foodservice department is not allowed to make any substitutions without a signed medical statement. The appropriate form can be found following this link. https://www.google.com/url?client=internal-elementcse&cx=012012553761441775853:itqywm_yb2u&q=https://dpi.wi.gov/schoolnutrition/program-requirements/special-dietaryneeds&sa=U&ved=2ahUKewiQ0IHp_Zv5AhU3hYkEHVPVdiYQFnoECAAQAQ&usg=AOvVaw357atEltAnrCkbnsL1GROa

Please check with me or the school nurse to make sure there is one on file. We look forward to seeing you all soon! Please stop by the table at Open House if you have any questions or concerns. Enjoy the rest of summer!

Amanda Brakke, Food Service Director, abrakke@cfc.k12.wi.us

MESSAGE FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

High School Athletes, Fall Sport Start Dates:

Football: August 1st
Girls Golf: August 7th
Cross Country: August 14th
Volleyball: August 14th

Junior High Athletes, Fall Sport Start Dates:

Football: August 21st
Cross Country: August 21st
Volleyball: August 28th

Please refer to www.cfcpirates.com for all athletic information.

Register for Fall Sports can be found on the Athletic Web page under registration. This is the first year of having online registration. Payment for athletics is by check or cash to the mail office.

- \$35 per sport
- \$105 max per individual
- \$150 max per family

Concussion Testing: All 7th, 9th, and 11th graders need to take their baseline ImPACT test this year. This Test needs to be completed every other year. 6th grade students who are going out for Cross Country, Wrestling, Track and Golf need to take the ImPACT tests, as well.

Athletic Forms: All registration needs to be completed online in order to participate in athletics. If you have any questions or concerns send an email to tnelson@cfc.k12.wi.us.

Tim Nelson, Athletic Director,



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MEDICAL INFORMATION

STUDENT ILLNESS & RETURN TO SCHOOL

Students need to be fever free without taking fever reducers for 24 hours before returning to school. Recommendations for returning to school vary greatly depending on the health issue. C-FC follows the guidelines established by the State of Wisconsin, Department of Health Services. Please contact the school nurse with questions regarding any health concerns.

DENTAL, HEALTH, VISION EXAM & IMMUNIZATIONS

EXAM: All first time entry 4K and/or Kindergarten students are asked to complete dental and physical exams with their practitioners. The State of Wisconsin requires schools to request vision exams for entering kindergartners. This exam can be completed by your child's physician; however, the recommendation is to have a more thorough exam with an optometrist or ophthalmologist. If funding is an issue, please call the school nurse for more information regarding assistance for vision exams. All forms are to be submitted upon entry to school.

IMMUNIZATION: Wisconsin currently requires students to either be immunized or have a signed waiver in order to attend school. There are minimum requirements at each grade level. A chart listing these requirements by grade level can be accessed on our website or on the Department of Health's website (listed below.) The school nurse can also provide you with a chart and paperwork to complete these requirements. In addition to your child's provider, immunizations can be given by Buffalo County Public Health in Alma. They can be reached at 608-685-4412 to make an appointment.

MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE

State Statute 118.07(3)

Meningococcal Disease (MD) is a serious illness caused by a bacteria. It is a leading cause of bacterial meningitis in children 2-18 years of age in the United States. Meningitis is an infection of the fluid surrounding the brain and spinal cord. It also causes blood infections.

MD is often misdiagnosed as something less serious because early symptoms are similar to common viral illnesses. Symptoms of MD may include high fever, severe headache, stiff neck, nausea, vomiting, sensitivity to light, confusion, exhaustion and/or a rash.

MD is spread through direct contact with respiratory and/or oral secretions from infected persons (kissing or sharing drinking containers.) It can develop and spread quickly throughout the body, so early diagnosis and treatment is very important. Even with immediate treatment, the disease can kill an otherwise healthy young person within hours of the first symptoms. Of those who do survive, up to 20% may endure permanent disabilities which include brain damage, deafness and/or limb amputations.

Anyone can get Meningococcal Disease, but it is most common in infants less than one year and people with certain medical conditions such as lack of a spleen. Also at risk are college freshmen who live in dorms.

Although not yet required by Wisconsin, the initial vaccination to protect your child(ren) from this can be given at age 11.

INFLUENZA

Influenza is a contagious disease that is caused by the influenza virus. It affects the respiratory tract in humans (nose, throat, and lungs). Influenza is different from a cold and is not what most people refer to as 'stomach flu.' Influenza usually comes on suddenly and may include the following symptoms: fever, headache, tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, nasal congestion, body aches.

The single, best way to prevent the transmission of influenza is to be immunized.

CONTAGIOUS AILMENTS

Listed below is an overview of three common highly contagious ailments that children (and adults) can contract. The best prevention to avoid these ailments is to wash hands using soap several times daily, keep the environment around you clean and don't share drinks, exchange hats or share mascara or other makeup. Children who contract any of these ailments will be required to stay home from school until they have been properly medicated and are no longer contagious. Parents who recognize any of these symptoms in their child should keep their child home until the symptoms are resolved.

HEAD LICE *Symptoms: Itchy scalp, tiny white eggs or nits firmly attached to hair. *Prevention: Do not share combs, brushes, hats or hair accessories. *Treatment: Using a prescription or over the counter lice shampoo. Comb with a fine toothed comb to remove nits. Wash clothes and bedding in hot water and dry on high heat.

MONONUCLEOSIS *Symptoms: Fatigue, fever, headache, sore throat, swollen glands in the neck and near ears. *Prevention: Don't share beverage containers with an infected person. Some people can be carriers without having an active infection so don't assume someone not showing symptoms is clear. *Treatment: Mono is a viral infection that can last from 2-8 weeks. Get plenty of rest, drink a lot of fluids, and avoid strenuous activity.

PINKEYE (CONJUNCTIVITIS) *Symptoms: Inflammation of the eye that causes the eye to be red and itchy and produce discharge that crusts over during sleep. *Prevention: Use a clean washcloth and towel daily. Wash hands thoroughly and keep them away from eyes. Avoid sharing makeup. *Treatment: Pinkeye can be viral or bacterial. Antibiotic eyedrops will be prescribed.



TAKING MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

Any child requiring medications/procedures during school hours or during co-/extra-curricular activity times will need to have the pink medication form completed by parents and a physician on file prior to the school's administration of the medication or procedure. The pink form must be completed and medications must come in prescription labeled containers or the original over-the-counter container. Please send only a small container of the medicine; you can inform the pharmacist the medicine is for school administration and the container needs to be as small as possible. Although all self-administered medications (i.e. asthma inhalers) with doctor's approval can be carried by the student, they must also be registered in the nurse's office with the same pink medication permission form.

For More information:

<https://www.cfc.k12.wi.us>

Families/Students

Health Services

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NOTES



Should school need to close for an emergency or due to weather conditions, the following radio/tv stations will carry the announcements:

Radio

KWNO/99.3 FM/1230 AM/Winona

KAGE/1380 AM/95.3 FM/Winona

WAXX/104.5 FM/Eau Claire

WAYY/790 AM/Eau Claire

I-94/94.1/Eau Claire

WECL/92.9 FM/Eau Claire

WCCO/830 AM/Minneapolis

WIZM/93.3 FM/1410 AM/La Crosse

WKTY/580 AM/La Crosse

WRQT/95.7 La Crosse

KQYB/98.3 FM/La Crosse

KCLH/94.7 FM/La Crosse

Television

WEAU TV/Channel 13/Eau Claire

WKBT TV/Channel 8/La Crosse

WXOW TV/Channel 19/La Crosse

WCCO TV/Channel 4/Minneapolis

Closings will also be put out on C-FC's FACEBOOK page which will be highlighted on our school's homepage.

In addition, C-FC utilizes Infinite Campus Messenger to send out notices about closings. In order to receive these notices (via email, voice or text message) you must select your option on the Parent Campus Portal.

If you have not set up a Campus Parent Portal, please see the instructions located on the link on our website: Parent & Student Links/Site Links/Infinite Campus Parent Portal Instructions.

C-FC BUDGET HEARING

Monday, October 23rd

Budget Hearing, 6:00 p.m.
Annual Meeting follows budget meeting.

C-FC School Library



Snow Days/Inclement Weather



The district calendar includes 3 snow/inclement weather days. Instruction will not occur on the first 3 days. The next 3 snow/inclement weather days will be made up, sequentially, on the in-service days in March, April, and May. Remote learning will occur on any additional snow/inclement weather days. This will maintain compliance with Wisconsin Statute 121.02(1) (f) which specifies the number of hours of instruction a school district must provide during a school year.

CONFERENCES

Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held:
November 7th and November 9th
March 25th and 26th.

All 4K-12 Conferences are held in classrooms.

Watch for details at the Open House.

Staff and Student Parking

Student Parking: Student driving to school will park in the front lot and enter the building using the main entryway.

Staff Parking: Staff will park in the secure lot by the football field.

Join the PTO

No experience necessary... just a willingness to share your skills with an organized group helping the school.

Facebook.com/cfcpto or ptogroup@cfc.k12.wi.us

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DROP OFF/ PICK UP

Parents are still welcome to drop-off/pick-up their students. Drop-off/pick-up will remain where it is currently on the sidewalk of the front lot (south side of building). To avoid children walking in the lot and between cars, please pick your student up by the sidewalk. Please be aware that student drivers will be parking and driving in the front lot. Because the buses will be using the circle, no cars are allowed in the circle during drop-off/pick-up times.



CAN YOU SUBSTITUTE?



Interested in bus driving? How about teaching? Being a teacher aid?

If you would be interested in substitute bus driving, working in the kitchen or substitute teaching/aiding, please call, 608-687-4391

Bus: Randy Fetting - ext. 139
Teacher/Para: Becki Weber - ext. 101
Food Service: Amanda Brakke - ext. 208

SCHOOL PICTURES

School Pictures, taken by Jostens Photo, will be held for all students grades K4-12 on Wednesday, August 23rd between 1pm-6pm.

All students should have a photo taken regardless of whether ordering pictures or not in order to have them included in the elementary classroom photobook, or the junior high/senior high yearbook. Jostens provides a photo ID to be used as a lunch card too!

Parents wishing to order pictures will need to complete the order form and enclose a payment for the correct amount. **Jostens encourage you to order your picture packages online. Look for the packets online at:**

<https://shop.jostenspix.com/login>



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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING DURING SUMMER BREAK?



State FFA Convention has come and gone!

FFA members recently traveled to Madison, WI to compete at the state level. Congratulations to the following #CFCPiratePride

- Parliamentary procedure placed in the top ten, (Mya Stanton, Mikayla Steihl, Alyvia Arneson, Samantha Bork, Corbyn Weber, and Andrea Stolz).
- High School Quiz Bowl placed in the top ten (Annie Bork, Ana Knecht, Callie Speltz, Mya Stanton, and Alyvia Arneson).
- Janelle Wolfe placed in the top ten in Employment Skills and 2nd place in her Organic Agriculture Proficiency.
- Kaleb Ellis placed 2nd in his Swine Entrepreneurship Proficiency and 3rd in Diversified Agriculture Proficiency.
- Cadence Wenger, Kenmund Mehus, Ella Arneson, and Eyan Knecht all received their State FFA Degree which is the highest honor a student can earn at the state level.
- Corbyn Weber created the FFA Scrapbook which placed in the top three. Corbyn also was a member of the State FFA Chorus.
- Callie Speltz placed first as an individual in the Food Science and Technology CDE bringing home a trophy.
- Eyan Knecht and Joette Wolfe represented our chapter as the state delegates.

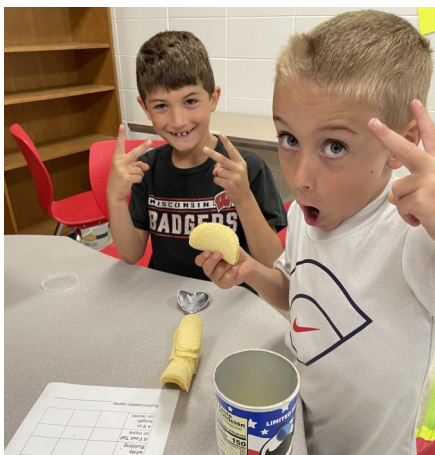
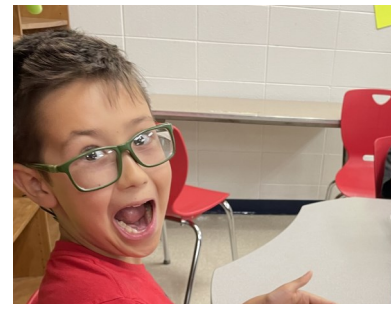
Setting sail for knowledge!



Ten proud members of [#CFCPiratePride](#) staff embarked on an incredible 3-day PLC conference in Minneapolis with Solution Tree. The team delved into powerful strategies for various subjects, nurturing relationships, differentiation, and the power of PLCs. Anchored with newfound knowledge, we're ready to chart a course toward excellence!



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2023-24 Annual Notices

Each year Wisconsin school districts are required to inform parents/guardians of annual notices. These notices require they be delivered in many different forms. These annual notices are available on the district website <https://www.cfc.k12.wi.us/district/22-23-annual-notices.cfm>. The listing below provides links to annual notice webpages and/or sites or the information directly. Please note you may receive some of the notices in a different format (U.S. Mail, newsletter, etc.) as required by federal and/or state statute. If you would like paper copies of the annual notices or have any questions regarding these notices, please contact the District Administrators office at 608-687-7771 or email the District Administrator.

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General Student Nondiscrimination

The Cochrane-Fountain City School District prohibits all forms of unlawful discrimination against students and other persons in all aspects of the District's programs and operations. Accordingly, consistent with section 118.13 of the state statutes, no person shall unlawfully be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil service, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, sexual orientation, race, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, or physical, any mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other legally-protected status or classification.

The District likewise requires and enforces nondiscrimination in a manner consistent with the rights and obligations established under all applicable federal civil rights laws, including the current provisions of Titles IV and VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (race, color, religion, sex, or national origin), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (sex), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (disability), the Americans with Disabilities Act (including Title II of the ADA, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in state and local government services), the Age Discrimination Act (age), and the civil rights provisions associated with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and the District's participation in federal meal programs.

The District's commitment to nondiscrimination and to responding appropriately to any report, allegation, or confirmed incident of unlawful discrimination against any student is further addressed in the School Board's policies, including but not limited to Board Policy 113, Board Policy 411, and Board Policy 411.1. As further required by the Board's policies and applicable law:

The District provides legally-required accommodations and appropriate educational services or programs for students who have a qualifying disability, regardless of the nature or severity of the disability. The District also provides for the reasonable accommodation of a student's sincerely held **religious beliefs** with regard to examinations and other academic requirements.

Pursuant to the current provisions of **Title IX** of the Education Amendments of

1972 and under the regulations set forth in Chapter 106 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations ("the federal Title IX regulations"), the District does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that the District operates. A more comprehensive notice covering the application of Title IX to the District is available on the District's website at <https://www.cfc.k12.wi.us/district/title-ix.cfm>. The District's Title IX notice identifies each of the District's designated Title IX Coordinators and includes additional information on how to report or file a complaint of sex discrimination, how to report or file a formal complaint of sexual harassment under Title IX, and the manner in which the District will respond to such reports or complaints.

District shall provide children of **homeless individuals and unaccompanied homeless youth**, as identified under federal law, with equal access to the same free, appropriate public education, including the provision of comparable services, as the District provides to other children and youth who reside in or otherwise attend school in the District.

All District **career and technical education** opportunities are offered to students on a nondiscriminatory basis. Additional information regarding such program offerings and the applicable admission/participation criteria can be obtained by contacting any school's guidance office.

The contact information for the District's primary nondiscrimination coordinator for student matters is as follows:

Elementary Principal
S2270 State Hwy 35
Fountain City, WI 54629
608-687-4391 x 106
smckay@cfc.k12.wi.us

The nondiscrimination coordinator identified above is authorized to receive any student discrimination complaint, including any complaint arising under Chapter PI 9 (student nondiscrimination under state law) or Chapter PI 41 (accommodation of students' religious beliefs) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. The coordinator identified above also serves as a District Title IX Coordinator, as a District ADA/Section 504 Coordinator, and as the District's liaison for homeless children and youth.

Board Policy 113 further provides that an individual who is alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment under the federal Title IX regulations, or a parent or guardian who has a legal right to act on behalf of such an individual, may file a formal complaint of sexual harassment. Any such formal complaint of Title IX sexual harassment shall be submitted in writing or as an electronic submission to a District Title IX Coordinator in person, by U.S. mail, or by electronic mail.

Formal complaints alleging Title IX sexual harassment will be processed using the District's designated Title IX grievance process for such complaints. Unless applicable laws require the use of other processes (e.g., for certain special education matters), any other reports or complaints of prohibited student discrimination or prohibited retaliation will normally be processed under the complaint procedures that the District has established under Board Policy 411. For a complete copy of such complaint procedures, refer to 411-Rule 1 on the District's website.

Questions concerning this notice, the District's nondiscrimination policies, the application of student nondiscrimination laws to the District, or the District's complaint procedures may be directed to the nondiscrimination coordinator identified in this notice.

By following all required procedures and timelines of the applicable non-District entity, complaints of unlawful student discrimination may also be filed externally with an appropriate state or federal court or agency. Such courts and agencies independently determine the extent to which any given complaint falls within their scope of authority.

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Annual Notice Of Special Education Referral and Evaluation Procedures

Upon request, the Cochrane-Fountain City School District is required to evaluate a child for eligibility for special education services. A request for evaluation is known as a referral. When the district receives a referral, the district will appoint an Individualized Education Program (IEP) team to determine if the child has a disability, and if the child needs special education services. The district locates, identifies, and evaluates all children with disabilities who are enrolled by their parents in private (including religious) schools, elementary schools and secondary schools located in the school district.

A physician, nurse, psychologist, social worker, or administrator of a social agency who reasonably believes a child brought to him or her for services is a child with a disability has a legal duty to refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides. Before referring the child, the person making the referral must inform the child's parent that the referral will be made.

Others, including parents, who reasonably believe a child is a child with a disability may also refer the child, including a homeless child, to the school district in which the child resides.

Referrals must be in writing and include the reason why the person believes the child is a child with a disability. A referral may be made by contacting the Director of Special Education.

Cochrane-Fountain City School District Notice of Education Options

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 115.28 (54m) & 118.57(1), notice must be provided regarding the educational options available to all students who are at least three years old, but not yet 18 years old who reside in the district. Each of the [following areas](#) represent educational options for Wisconsin students.

The Cochrane-Fountain City School District is a public school whose primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten through 12th grade, leading to a high school diploma.

The District's schools, and each school's most recent state-assigned performance category, are listed below:

Institution	State Rating	Level
District	Exceeds Expectations	4K-12
C-FC High School	Meets Expectations	7-12
C-FC Elementary	Exceeds Expectations	4K-6

The full version of the District's most recent school and district accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under section 115.385 of the state statutes, can be accessed via the following page <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards/home>.

Some of the specific education programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending the District's schools include the following:

- Early childhood special education (for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school age)
- Special education for students with disabilities
- English language learner services
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programming
- Youth Apprenticeships.
- Alternative education program(s)
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- Summer school programming
- Virtual/Online learning
- Independent study (High School)
- Work Study
- Early post-secondary options for high school students including:
 - Transcribed classes (High school courses with concurrent enrollment in institutions of higher education)
 - Advanced Placement (AP) courses

Student may participate in early post-secondary opportunities by enrolling in off-site courses at higher education institutions as allowed under state law to advance in their academic and career pathways. These opportunities may be accessed through the Start College Now program for Technical Colleges and the Early

College Credit Program for UW System institutions, private non-profit higher education institutions, and tribally controlled colleges in the State of Wisconsin. Students may not participate concurrently in both the Start College Now and Early College Credit Program in the same term as defined in statute.

Early College Program

- High School students in grades 9 through 12 may participate in the Early College Credit program and enroll in UW System institutions, private non-profit higher education institution, and tribally controlled colleges in the State of Wisconsin to take courses which lead to credit granted toward high school graduation, or for college credit only if they are not comparable to a course offered at the high school.
- Provides opportunities to take up to 18 credits under this program;
- If the course is non-comparable to a course at the high school and satisfies a high school graduation requirement there is no cost to the family except for the responsibility of transportation.
- If the course is non-comparable to a course at the high school and is for college credit only there is a 25% cost to the family in addition to the responsibility of transportation

Start College Now Program

- Eleventh and twelfth grade students may participate in the Start College Now and enroll at Wisconsin Technical Colleges to take courses which lead to credit granted toward high school graduation.
- Provides opportunities to take up to 18 credits under this program;
- Is subject to state and local eligibility requirements, including that the course is non-comparable to a course at the high school and satisfies a high school graduation requirement.
- There is no cost to the family except for the responsibility of transportation.

Additional educational options for children who reside in the District that involve full-time enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the Cochrane-Fountain School District include the following:

- High school students meeting certain age and other eligibility requirements may be permitted to attend a technical college or certain other programs for the purpose of completing a program leading to a student's high school graduation or to a high school equivalency diploma.
- A child with a disability who meets the program's specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the state's "Special Needs Scholarship Program," as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes.
- Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable)
- Enrollment in a home-based private educational program as provided under state law.
- athletics and other District extra-curricular activities as provided under section 118.133.

Educational options for children who reside in the Cochrane-Fountain School District but who are enrolled in and attending a private school or home-based private educational program include the following:

- Private school students in the high school grades have the opportunity to apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester in a District school, pursuant to section 118.145(4) of the state statutes.
- Attend summer school classes/programs.
- Attend community education classes/programs.

Students who are enrolled in a home-based private educational program have the opportunity to:

- Apply for approval to take up to two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53.
- Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District extra-curricular activities as provided under section 118.133.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the School's Main Office at 608-687-4391.

Cochrane-Fountain City School District CHILD CENSUS

(Please print information)

The Cochrane-Fountain City School District collects census data.
Please read and complete the information below as it pertains to you.

**If you live in the Cochrane-Fountain City School District and your children will attend Cochrane-Fountain City School, please complete the information below for any children ages 5 and younger.

**If you live in the Cochrane-Fountain City School District and your children will attend a school other than the Cochrane-Fountain City School, please complete the information below for ALL of your children.

Legal names of children (no nicknames, please)		
<i>Child's Name (first, middle, last name)</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Gender</i>
_____	_____	M F
_____	_____	M F
_____	_____	M F
_____	_____	M F
_____	_____	M F
_____	_____	M F

Parents or Guardians Who Live in the SAME household:

Father/Custodian Full Name _____

Mother/Custodian Full Name _____

Street Address/City _____

Phone Number _____

Circle your town of residence:

Village of Cochrane	City of Fountain City	City of Buffalo City	Town of Lincoln
Town of Milton	Town of Belvidere	Town of Montana	City of Alma
Town of Buffalo	Town of Waumandee	Town of Cross	

Date of Form Completion _____

Please return this form to:
Cochrane-Fountain City School District Census
S2770 State Road 35
Fountain City, WI 54629

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TO: POSTAL PATRON

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The district encourages informal resolution of complaints under this policy. If any person believes that the C-FC School District or any part of the school organization has failed to follow the law and rules of s.118.13, Wisconsin Stats, and PI 9, Wis. Admin. Code, or in some way discriminates against pupils on the bases listed above, he/she may bring or send a complaint to the District Administrator, C-FC Schools, S2770 State Highway 35, Fountain City, WI 54629, 608-687-7771



The C-FC newsletter is available on the school website at www.cfc.k12.wi.us. The newsletter is mailed in August to all postal patrons and additional issues to subscribers. If you would like to receive the C-FC newsletter, subscribe at jwenger@cfc.k12.wi.us, or call 608.687.7771, ext. 312.

If your address changes, please notify us immediately. We are charged for each newsletter that is returned as undeliverable. You will be taken off the subscriber list if we receive this notice and charge.

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