

HOT CIDER

CIDER MILL PTA PUBLICATION – June 6, 2021

Cider Mill School is a Community of Learners, ALL committed to being the best we can be.

Important Dates

Jun 7	Day 1
Jun 7	5th Grade Moving Up Ceremony ~ Zoom Link to Come from Teacher (see times below)
Jun 9	5th Grade Parade ~ See Times Below
Jun 10	SHORTENED DAY
Jun 11	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL AND SHORTENED DAY

From The PTA President

To Cider Mill Parents and Guardians,

It's hard to believe that we are entering the last week of school, but we made it! I remember writing my first message of the year for the Hot Cider, very uncertain what the year ahead would bring, but as I reflect on the year that is now behind us, I'm full of gratitude. Thankful to administrators, teachers and staff, CM PTA Board of Directors and Committee Chairs and especially our parent community. Together we overcame many obstacles, we were flexible and adaptable and we did all we could to ensure our students had the best year possible. I know we will not all look back at this year the same, as we all had different experiences, but my hope is that we all have taken lessons away from this year and have realized how resilient our children are.

We are very appreciative that we were able to celebrate and send our 5th graders off with some special events and memories. The CM PTA sponsored College Creamery at the end of their field day on May 27th, purchased 5th grade graduation t-shirts for them to wear during the parade and last day of school, yearbook signings, as well as certificate ceremonies and a graduation parade to come this week. Thank you to everyone who made all of these special activities possible. A special thank you to Dana Quick and Jen Carvajal for creating an amazing yearbook, and to Erica Rome and Julia Didelot for their help with the t-shirts!

Events/activities left to come....

- **5th Grade Moving-Up/Celebrations Ceremony** Due to indoor social distancing protocols, this will not be a live event for families. Each 5th grade Team Leader will send families on a Zoom Link by Monday morning. This way, families and remote learners will be able to view the celebration live. For privacy reasons, and the safety of our students, please do NOT record any of these sessions.

Monday June 7th:

- 8am - Belden Hill (Mrs. Romond will send link)
- 9am - Nod Hill (Mrs. Duncan will send link)

Tuesday June 8th:

- 8am - Kent (Mr. Gallo will send link)
- 9am - Cannondale (Mrs. Waters will send link)

- **2021 Fifth Grade Moving Up Parade at Cider Mill School** - June 9, 2021 11:00 - 12:30 pm

Due to the many conflicts, there is no rain date for the parade should we need to cancel due to weather. Families should line up on Kristine Lilly Way from Catalpa Road and be ready to drive onto the CM campus, where there will be additional directions.

- Cannondale 11:00 - 11:20 am
- Kent 11:20 - 11:40 am
- Nod Hill 11:40 - 12:00 pm

- Belden Hill 12:00 - 12:20 pm

Families who have Middlebrook 8th graders may come earlier to line up for the parade outside of their house times

• **Closing House:** Closing house will be virtual this year and teachers will individually send families the Zoom link, date and times for their individual celebrations.

• **CIDER MILL Countdown-** The countdown continues this week [CIDER MILL Countdown Calendar 2021 - Google Docs](#)

Many of our Executive Board Members and Committee Chairs will be leaving CM in the Fall, which requires us to fill many open positions. If you would like to volunteer or would like to hear more about the open positions, please contact Michelle Krupa, incoming President michelleakrupa@gmail.com, Amanda Patania, Nominating Chair amanda_Patania@yahoo.com and/or Alex Frisbee, Nominating Chair alex.frisbee.pta@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support! Please reach out if you have any questions or comments at meghan.russo13@gmail.com, or to CM's incoming President Michelle Krupa michelleakrupa@gmail.com

Thank you for your continued support!

Meghan Russo
CM PTA President

School News

PTA vacant positions for 2021-22

If you are interested in more information about any position or would like to take the role, please email Alex or Amanda at CMnominating@gmail.com

- Parent at Large (Executive Board position)
- Gifts and Grants
- Photo day chair
- Visiting author chair
- 5th grade yearbook chairs
- Fun Night chairs (all grades)
- Enrichment chair
- Hot Cider co-chair
- Library volunteer coordinator co-chair
- Hospitality co-chairs
- Cider Mill's Got Talent show co-chairs

WILTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS ~ OPEN POSITIONS

The Wilton Public Schools "For a Better World" are seeking recent college graduates, college students, retirees, career-changers, and those interested in giving back to their community to join a dynamic, engaging, and inspirational team of staff and students. A number of flexible positions are available, including substitutes, lunch-recess monitors, certified teachers, long-term substitutes, and paraprofessionals. Help shape the lives of our future leaders! To learn more and/or apply, please visit our website at: <https://www.wiltonps.org/departments/human-resources> or contact Human Resources Coordinator Erika Cross at crosse@wiltonps.org.

Ongoing School News

IMPROVE YOUR ACADEMICS!

Summer Camps!

Your Academics will be conducting camps this summer. The camps will take place on June 21st to 25th and July 12th to 16th. There will be camps offered in Math, English, Science, Coding, and many other subjects. There are limited spots available for each camp, so be sure to register!

Here is the complete schedule with all of the offerings with the times and dates: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HBYKfDdfiEiVr6a_ElOo9Ybae0klQj6hVwDdjyZcsk/edit?usp=sharing
To enroll in any of the summer camps, please use this link: <https://forms.gle/kCXAQ9Jiqm9qSYkn8>

For more information, please visit <https://youracademics.org/>

Summer Tutoring

Your Academics will be offering tutoring in the summer. All Cider Mill students can receive tutoring at no cost. All tutors are Wilton High School students. Please fill out this form if you need help in any subject:

<https://forms.gle/ZmQTDCPrBqLChu1e8>

For more information, please visit <https://youracademics.org/>

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

The PTA has a group on Facebook called Cider Mill Parent Community. It is a place where the PTA can communicate to parents, and also where parents can communicate with one another. Please check it out by clicking here: Cider Mill Parent Community.

STOP AND SHOP REWARDS PROGRAM

CIDER MILL SCHOOL (ID#: 40341) has the opportunity to participate and earn CASH from A+ School Rewards, a great fundraising program run through our local Stop & Shop!

To participate: Visit <http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus> and scroll down to the center of the page to select REGISTER YOUR CARD from the red box on the right marked FOR CUSTOMERS

To earn points:

- Use your registered Stop & Shop Card each time you shop at Stop & Shop, and you will earn CASH for our school. You can track the number of points you are earning for our school by checking your grocery receipt.
 - At the end of each month, your points are calculated and converted to CASH rewards for our school. These CASH rewards are updated monthly on the Giant A+ website beginning in November.
 - After the last day of the 2019-2020 program, these same conversions are performed and the final school account total is posted.
- Our school will receive one CASH awards check at the end of the program and can use this cash for any of our educational needs.

BOX TOPS HAVE GONE DIGITAL!

No more clipping Box Tops! Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production. The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

3 easy steps...

1. Download the "Box Top\$ for Education" app on your phone.
2. Sign up using your email or Google or Facebook account.
3. Simply snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.

Have a question? Please reach out to Allison Norful via email: anorful@gmail.com

ZERO WASTE SCHOOLS

With the start of school, we'd also like to send a Zero Waste quick refresher for all, it's YES to using reusable containers, bags, silverware, and ice packs; purchasing bulk snacks to sort into reusable containers, packing realistic portions and taking home uneaten food (or compost!) It's AVOID disposable paper or plastic bags; Individually-packaged snacks; non-reusable food wrap; disposable ice packs, utensils, or drink containers (juice boxes or pouches); and plastic straws.

Community News

Middlebrook Science Fair

The Middlebrook PTA is seeking a Science Fair chair/chairs for next year. If you want to learn more please contact Chandra Ring at cring226@hotmail.com

True Warriors Challenger baseball is back!

Any individual with an intellectual or physical challenge can participate.

Player sign up: <https://www.leagueathletics.com/Registration/Restrictions.asp?RegID=170731&org=wiltonlittleleague.org>

Buddy signup: <https://www.leagueathletics.com/Registration/Restrictions.asp?RegID=170732&org=wiltonlittleleague.org>

Lend a helping hand to The Turnover Shop!

Did you know that our most generous donor is a local nonprofit - The Turnover Shop?

They have provided long-standing support for our PTA's and other local organizations. Operating costs have increased during covid and they were shut down for several months. They need our help more than ever.

Please help those that helped us!

Volunteer: Regular commitment of one or two WEEKDAY am (10-1) or afternoon (1-4) shifts a month (Ex. Third Friday a, of every month).

Donate: Items and Clothing.

Shop: Its hidden treasures.

Spread the word: About this fabulous wilton treasure!

WILTON SEPTA (SPECIAL EDUCATION PTA)

Join us! Support our families, students and staff! Open positions for next year include President, Secretary and Committee Chairs!

Join us to find out more: Two ways to Join here! Mobile Arq to join all PTA's and Paypal link to join SEPTA only <https://www.wiltonsepta.org/projecto-5>

NAMI-CAN WILTON

The COVID pandemic has caused unprecedented stress in our society and many children's behaviors have been triggered as a result. What was manageable pre-Covid is now out of control. Find support for you, as you support your child who is struggling. The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Child and Adolescent Network (CAN) is a Support Group for parents of children with behavioral, emotional and mental health issues. The meeting is free, confidential, safe and led by trained volunteer facilitators who themselves have had personal experiences raising children with these concerns. Our meetings are a place to speak freely and be understood without embarrassment or the fear of being judged or treated differently. Our meetings are held virtually over zoom and for security, you must contact Beth or Vanessa for the password. For more information contact: Beth at 203-984-0123 or beth44es@gmail.com OR Vanessa at 203-970-4130 or eliasvanessa5@gmail.com

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