

**CENTRAL RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
END OF THE YEAR NEWSLETTER
2016-2017**

**Open House for the 2017-2018 school year
will be held on Monday, August 7,
from 4:00-6:00 p.m.**

Dear Parents,

All parents must show 2 proofs of residency at Open House (utility bill, lease, cable or phone bill with your name and complete address—**driver's license will not be accepted**). We are requiring this from all families, even if you have not moved. **PLEASE NOTE: Avoid the long lines at Open House by stopping by, beginning Wednesday, July 19, and providing us with your 2 proofs of residency. You will then be issued a "Fast Pass" into the building for Open House!** During Open House, parents and students will have the opportunity to meet the teachers, visit the classrooms, take a tour of the school, learn what will be taught, and obtain important information in the cafeteria (bus schedule, Volunteer/Mentoring Program, and day care).

Parents of kindergartners must also choose the day their kindergartner will begin school as part of our "Step-by-Step Program." Copies of your kindergartner's birth certificate, immunization record, and recent physical exam must be on file. We look forward to the 2017-2018 school year and working with both you and your child/children. **If you have any questions, please call Jackie Tyler at 344-3833.**

In the middle of July, all families will either receive a letter that states that your child already has meal benefits, or a letter stating how to apply for free or reduced meals. Please look for this notification.

Respectfully,

Nancy Quinn



SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

Nutritionally balanced meals (breakfast and lunch) will be provided to all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability during summer vacation when school breakfasts and lunches are not available. **All children, 18 years old and younger, are eligible to receive meals at no charge at an Open Site** and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. The programs are only approved for geographical areas of need where 50 percent or more of the children qualify for free and reduced price meals during the school year. The goal is to make sure no child goes hungry.

Inverness Middle
Monday-Friday—June 1-July 25
Breakfast: 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Lunch: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Crystal River Middle
Monday-Friday—June 1-July 25
Breakfast: 8:00-8:45a.m.
Lunch: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Lecanto Middle
Monday-Friday—June 1-July 25
Breakfast: 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Lunch: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Rock Crusher Elementary
Monday-Thursday—June 1-July 25
Breakfast: 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Lunch: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Crystal Springs Middle
Monday-Friday—June 1-July 25
Breakfast: 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Lunch: 11:00-12:00 p.m.

Citrus Springs Elementary
Monday-Thursday—June 1-July 25
Breakfast: 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Lunch: 11:00-11:30 a.m.

For more information, please contact Ms. Fredrickson at 352-726-1931 extension 2451.

NOTE: SITES OPERATING MONDAY-FRIDAY WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JULY 4, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE INDEPENDENCE HOLIDAY.

2017-2018

CITRUS COUNTY SCHOOL CALENDAR

To view, please visit www.citrus.k12.fl.us

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a school event, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Kathy Withrington at 352-344-3833, at least 7 days before the event, or immediately upon receiving this notification, if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you utilize a service animal, please contact the school at least 15 days in advance to complete paperwork.



**Congratulations to our 4th and 5th grade
Upward Bound Students**

Front Row: Alexandria Cobb, Karsan Nadal, Abigail Novak, Brooke Poston, Jewel Stephens.

Back Row: Jaida Bishop, Jasmine Pounders, Josiahas Kalumba, Sean Leffev, Kylee Mock, Mrs. Beaser (5th grade teacher).

Missing from photo: Terrence Lee

COUNSELOR'S NOOK ...

Summer vacation is right around the corner and with that comes plenty of fun in the summer as well as rest and relaxation for the family. Summer also presents a challenge in that children may fall victim to the "summer slide" during which time children may regress academically, losing up to 25 percent of their reading skills. Teachers must then spend time re-teaching material from the previous year. It's up to parents and caregivers to ensure that children do not backslide during the summer months. There are several ways to encourage and provide fun and exciting educational opportunities that will have a huge impact on your child.

Citrus County YMCA Summer Camp: The Youth and Teen Camps begin on Tuesday, May 30- Friday, August 4, with extended hours from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. at no additional charge. Those children entering K-8th grade are eligible. Various programs and field trips will be offered. Financial assistance is offered based on family circumstances. Camps will be held at 3 locations: Lecanto Middle School, Inverness Middle School, and Crystal River Middle School. Please call 352-500-YMCA, or visit <http://www.ymcasuncoast.org/summercamp> for additional information.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Citrus County: Three convenient locations: Beverly Hills, Inverness, and Homosassa. There is a weekly fee with a discount for additional children. Club hours are 6:30 a.m.—6:30 p.m. Activities include sports and recreation, computer lab, arts and crafts, and field trips. Please call 352-621-4679 for additional information.

Harmony in the Streets: The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches and the Citrus County Sheriff's Office will host two weeks of camp free of charge for students. Ages 6-12 are eligible. The first session will be held from June 12-16 at Inverness Middle School. The second session will be held June 19-23 at Forest Ridge Elementary School. Camp hours are 9:00-3:00 Monday-Thursday and Friday 9:00-2:00 with graduation being from 2:00-2:30. Activities at the camp will include team sports, arts and crafts, and water activities. Applications are available on line at: www.SheriffCitrus.org

Camp Rise: Crystal River Middle School is holding this free camp that is limited to 50 campers, to boys and girls ages 10-13, grades 5-8, from June 26-30. Register by June 9. Visit www.antidrugscitrus.com for more information.

Estuary Exploration: A Science Discovery Summer Camp: Ages 8-11 are eligible for this educational camp in which participants will learn how to appreciate and understand nature, take an active role in conservation and relate to how ancient people lived life along Florida's Gulf coast. Professional archeologists, biologists, park staff and volunteers will teach at the Crystal River site. The camp will be held from July 10-14. Hours are 8:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. The cost is \$80 per participant. Limited space available. Deadline is June 16. Applications can be found online at <https://www.floridastateparks.org/park-events/Crystal-River-Preserve>.

Parks and Recreation: Please visit www.citruscountyparks.com, or call 352-527-7540 for information regarding a variety of summer youth programs.

Local Library: We have several public libraries in the county that provide summer reading programs for our youth. Citrus Libraries will present the following summer reading program: "Build a Better World." This program will kick off on May 26. Visit citruslibraries.org/youthsummer for more information.

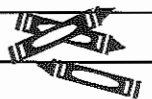
Have a fun and relaxing summer. Please keep in mind that safety is a priority as our children spend more time outside enjoying the summer weather. We will miss our graduating fifth grade Ridgebacks and want to wish them and their families the best! And for those returning Ridgebacks, we look forward to seeing you in August. Have a safe and relaxing summer!

Jackie Tyler
Jackie Tyler, Guidance Counselor





CENTRAL RIDGE ELEMENTARY 2017 - 2018 SUPPLY LIST



PRE-K

- 1 container baby wipes
- 1 plastic 3 prong folder
- 1 box 24 count crayons
- 1 pkg dry erase markers
- 1 rest mat & blanket for nap
- 1 bag/box dry snacks (pretzels/goldfish, etc.)
- 1 boxes Crayola markers
- 1 box tissues
- 1 pack colored pencils
- change of clothes
- 3 glue sticks

It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate any of the following items: Ziploc bags (gal.), 5 oz. paper/plastic cups, Play-doh, paper towel, food coloring, flour, salt, vegetable oil, shaving cream & coffee filters.

KINDERGARTEN

- 3 boxes Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 2 pkg of black dry erase markers
- 1 box Crayola markers (regular)
- 1 pkg pencils (not mechanical)
- 2 primary journals
- 4 pkgs (6 count) Elmer glue sticks
- 1 pair blunt scissors (Fiskars last longer)
- 4 plain plastic pocket folders with prongs (1- red, green, blue, yellow)
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 composition books
- 1 plastic supply box
- 1 pkg pink erasers
- 1 backpack (no rolling)
- 1 set of headphones

Donations are greatly appreciated: Ziploc bags (gallon, quart, or sandwich size), post-it notes, colored or black dry erase markers, colored copy paper, extra glue sticks, and liquid glue.

All supplies will be for community use. Please do not put names on items.

1ST GRADE

- 10-12 glue sticks
- 3 boxes of tissues
- 4 pkgs of plain pencils
- 3 big pink erasers
- 1 pair scissors
- 4 composition books (black/white only)
- 4 3 prong/2 pocket PLASTIC folders (ONLY red, orange, blue, yellow, green)
- 3 pkgs sticky notes
- 1 plastic pencil box (no locks)
- 1 pkg wide ruled notebook paper
- 3 pkgs Crayola 24 pack crayons
- 1 pkg cap erasers
- 2 4 count pkgs of BLACK Expo dry erase markers
- 1 pkg colored pencils

****Please do not label any supplies with student name!****

It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate any of the following: highlighters, Crayola 10-12 count markers, colored dry erase markers, Scotch tape, Ziploc bags (any size with zip top), and baby wipes..

2ND GRADE

- 1 pkg. notebook paper (wide-ruled)
- 1 12inch ruler w/ centimeter side
- 1 pencil box
- 2 composition books
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 2 boxes Crayola crayons (24 pk)
- 2 pk Expo black, dry erase markers
- 3 packs post-it notes
- 5 (3) prong pocket folders preferably (red, blue, green, yellow, purple)
- 1 1-inch 3 ring binder
- 1 pkg cap erasers
- 3 pkg. pencils
- 2 pkgs. glue sticks
- 1 Fiskars scissors
- 1 pkg color pencils
- 1 set of earbuds or headphones
- 3 boxes of tissues

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It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate any of the following: index cards, baby wipes, paper towels, and highlighters.

ART ROOM DONATIONS: Colored Pencils & Crayola Watercolors
MUSIC ROOM DONATIONS: Dry erase markers, pencils, tissues

3RD GRADE

- 2 1 inch, 3 ring binder
- 1 pkg highlighters (include green)
- 1 pack washable Crayola markers
- 1 pkgs wide-ruled loose-leaf paper
- 1 three-hole punched folder
- 2 pkg cap erasers
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 pair of earbuds
- 1 pencil pouch (no boxes)
- 3 pkgs pencils
- 3 composition books
- 1 pkg glue sticks
- 1 box colored pencils
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 pkg of 5 dividers
- 2 pkg of black, fine point Expo Markers
- 5 prong folders (SOLID colors: red, blue, green, orange, yellow)

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4TH GRADE

- 1 box colored pencils
- 1 pack of multi color highlighters
- 2 glue sticks
- 3 boxes of tissues
- Pencil top erasers
- 3 pks #2 pencils (no mechanical or fuzzy pencils)
- 3 pks ea. wide-ruled loose-leaf paper
- 1 pack of markers
- 1 1" binder
- 1 set of dividers w/ pockets
- 3 composition books
- 1 pencil pouch (no boxes)
- 1 pack Expo markers
- 4 pocket folders (SOLID colors: red, green, yellow, blue)
- 1 set of earbuds
- 2 packs sticky notes

It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate any of the following items: sticky notes, pronged pocket folders (solid colored), baby wipes, dry erase markers, Ziploc bags (any size).

5TH GRADE

- 1 pack red pens
- 3 packs #2 pencils
- 3 packs wide-ruled loose leaf paper
- 1 pencil pouch or box
- 3 highlighters
- 1 set of earbuds or headphones
- 1 five-count or ten-count pk of BLACK low odor dry erase markers
- 1 pkg of index cards
- 6 pack glue stick
- 1 2-inch binder
- 1 pack Crayola crayons
- 1 pack Crayola markers
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 2 regular pocket folders
- stylus for iPad (optional)
- 5 pre-punched binder folders
- 1 pair of scissors

It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate any of the following: paper towels, post-it notes, copy paper, cap erasers, large paper clips, tape dispenser refills, staples, low odor expo markers

MS. BITTORF'S CLASSROOM

- 2 wide ruled composition Books
- 1 pkg 6 count glue sticks
- 1 pkg big poster/thick permanent markers
- 1 pkg each: regular and fine point BLACK dry erase markers
- 1 pair of blunt scissors
- 3 pkgs. #2 pencils
- 1 ruler
- 1 pkg Crayola crayons
- 1 pkg Crayola markers
- 2 Pocket Folders
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 pkg baby wipes
- 1 pair of headphones (no ear buds)

It would be greatly appreciated if you could donate any of the following items: dry snacks, Ziplock baggies, cardstock colored paper, sticky notes, treasure box toys.

Central Ridge School Advisory Enhancement Council (SAEC)

The 2016-2017 School Advisory Enhancement Council (SAEC) met for the final session on Tuesday, May 2. The council discussed the Title I Parental Involvement Plan, the Student/Parent/Teacher Compact, the use of SAEC and A+ funds to purchase additional iPads for next school year, school board and PTA updates as well as the nomination and election of new SAEC officers for next year. The SAEC congratulates our new Chairperson, Kassie DiMase, Vice-Chair, Krista Knowles, and Secretary, Nicole Richard. Dates for next year's SAEC meetings were discussed and the full list of dates will be available at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year. The proposed date for the first SAEC meeting is September 5, 2017. The SAEC is a team of parents, teachers, administrators, support staff, business people, and interested community members with the goal of improving student performance by monitoring student achievement and planning for continuous improvement. If you are interested in possibly serving on this council next school year, please contact Mrs. Simon.

Respectfully,

Jessica Middleton
CRE SAEC Chairperson



MOVING THIS SUMMER?

IN-COUNTY MOVE: If you know someone moving into the area and they are not sure if they are zoned for Central Ridge, please refer them to the district website at www.citrus.k12.fl.us or call 352-344-3833 and we will check to see for which school they are zoned.

OUT-OF-COUNTY/STATE MOVE: Please register your child(ren) at their new school as soon as possible so that we may send records to the new school before the new school year begins. Fax the **Release of Records** to Lisa at (352) 249-2103.

NEW FAMILIES MOVING INTO CENTRAL RIDGE ZONE: If a new family moves into your neighborhood, please tell them to register as soon as possible. **TWO CURRENT PROOFS OF RESIDENCY: UTILITY BILL, MORTGAGE OR LEASE, ETC. (DRIVER'S LICENSE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE), BIRTH CERTIFICATE, SS CARD, IMMUNIZATION/PHYSICAL RECORDS ARE NEEDED TO COMPLETE REGISTRATION.** If you move over the summer, or your phone number changes, please notify the school.