

November



November 1, 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congratulations to our newly elected Student Council officers for the 2017-2018 school year!

- **President, Kyndal Godbold-Henderson**
- **Vice President, Veda Cole**

Kudos to Ms. Gletten and the ACS Advanced Chess Team who competed in the All-Star Chess Tournament on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at Chicago Vocational Career Academy.

Congratulations to ACS Cross Country Team for another successful season. A special thank you to Coach Dean and Coach Blanchard.

There are a large number of children who are arriving excessively early to school daily. Children arriving to school prior to 8:30 a.m. becomes a safety issue. **Students are permitted on school grounds at 8:30 am.** Staff will be on duty at their respective doors at 8:30 am to allow entry for students arriving before normal entry time. However, **it is imperative**, particularly on inclement weather days that **students DO NOT arrive before 8:30 a.m. There is no supervision before 8:30 a.m. and students will not be permitted in the building. During inclement weather**, ALL students will enter through the main doors. Students arriving at 8:30 a.m. will be directed to the following areas:

- All Pre-K through 3rd grade students will report to the cafeteria.
- All 4th through 8th grade students will report to the gym.

There are over 100 students that are still out of medical compliance. Medical Compliance letters were sent home with your child's progress report. The district requires that all students be in compliance by October 15th or they will be excluded from school. Exclusions has not occurred, however students not in medical compliance by **Monday, November 27th** will be excluded and not allowed to return to school. If you believe that your child is in compliance, please send a copy your child's immunization to the school for the nurse's review. If you have any questions, the agency nurse, Ms. Ruthie is available daily from 8:45 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

We currently have one parent, one community member and one non-teacher vacancy on our Local School Council (LSC). Applications are available in the Main Office. Any parent or community member who is interested in becoming a member of the LSC is invited to attend our next meeting on **November 14th at 6:00 p.m.** At this meeting you will have the opportunity to present your application and speak publicly to the LSC.

The ACS Student Council is partnering with Carson's to participate in Carson's Community Days Fundraiser. We need your help! All you have to do is purchase a coupon booklet for \$5. In that booklet, you will receive a \$10 coupon good on an item of \$10 or more, a 30% off shopping pass, and a 30% off Yellow Dot coupon plus other great bonus offers. Let's do the math. If we sell 400 booklets, we'll raise \$2000! It's just that easy. All funds raised will go to the 8th & Kindergarten graduations & the newly-established Student Council! **Coupon Booklets are available for purchase in the main office beginning October 2nd through November 7th.**

8th Grade Parents ONLY: A deposit/payment of \$89.00 for the 2018 Class Trip to Washington, DC is currently due.

- Please visit the website <http://www.etadventures.com>
- Click the top right section of the screen: "Login to myETA"
- On the next screen you will need to enter the Trip Code and Password.
 - Trip Code: andrew18
 - Password: wastrip18

There will be a Stress Management for Students Workshop on **Wednesday, November 1st** for designated 4th-8th grade classes.

There will be **NO School** on **Friday, November 3rd** for students. It's a School Improvement Day for staff.

There will be a High School Fair for 7th & 8th grades in the gym on **Tuesday, November 7th at 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Parents are encouraged to attend. See Ms. Adams, Room 121 for additional information.

Carnegie School will host its first IB-MYP Design Fair on **Thursday, November 9th** at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. All 6th-8th parents/guardians are encouraged to attend.

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will host a Fall Scholastic Book Fair on **Monday, November 13th through Friday, November 17th** in Room 205. In the coming weeks, order forms will be sent home with your child. All funds raised will be used to support student incentives.

Report Card Pick-Up Day (Parent Conference Day) will be held on **Wednesday, November 15th from 11:45 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** All parents/guardians that attend Parent Conference Day will receive a ticket for FREE Turkey, redeemable on Tuesday, November 21st at 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing all parents!

The Fall Academic After-School Program ends on **Thursday, November 16th**. On Friday, November 17th, all students will be dismissed promptly at 3:45 p.m. Please note: any student not picked-up will be taken to the A.S.B after school program at a cost. A.S.B Before and After School tuition-based programs will continue through June 2018.

There will be a PAC Meeting on **Tuesday, November 21st** at 9:00 a.m. All parents, guardians & community members are welcome!

There will be No School on **Wednesday, November 22nd-Friday, November 24th**. It's the Thanksgiving Break. Classes resume on Monday, November 27th.

Please continue to check your child's grades online by logging on to CPS Parent Portal <https://parent.cps.k12.il.us/pc/default.aspx>. You will need your child's CPS ID and PIN numbers. To ensure the security of your child's records, PINs will not be issued over the phone. To obtain your PIN number, please stop by main office.

Just a reminder to check the school's website for vital school information at www.carnegie.cps.edu and follow us on **Twitter @ACSCOUGARS** to see what's happening inside classrooms.

Mrs. D. Pollard
Principal

