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## **Administrator School Board Update**

**Date:** 11/5/22

### **Staff update:**

Peer Partnerships continue and staff are learning a lot from each other. We have a few expecting parents and are thinking about long term subs for the spring to fill some positions.

### **Facility update:**

The Gym Floor is getting cleaned and re-polyurethane this coming week. Unfortunately, we are not able to do much more to the floor as it is at the end of its life span and will need to be replaced if we are going to continue to use it.

### **Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment update**

Our Content Leaders met last Monday with Michelle, Sarah, and Jake to start mapping out standards and resources currently in used in each grade level and content area. This work will continue for the next few months and then we will begin looking at more vertical alignment within the MS and between the three schools.

### **Celebrate the Good:**

#### *Pink Out!*

October is [#BreastCancerAwarenessMonth](#) and to wrap up the month the Student Council challenged CEMS to wear pink today. The Student Council pledged to donate \$200 to [Maine Cancer Foundation](#) if 80% of staff and students participated. Challenge accepted! [#CEMS](#)



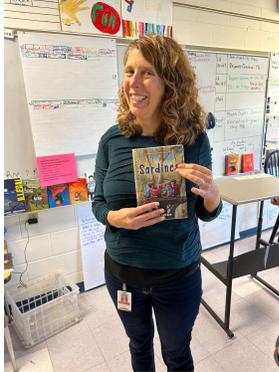
#### *Sashi Kaufman: Published Author!*

Congratulations to 7th grade teacher, Sashi Kaufman on the publication of her newest book *Sardines!*

"I wrote this book thinking about the things kids carry with them every day when they go to school. Sometimes it's the small things; a squabble over the last frozen waffle. Sometimes

it's big things; parents who are fighting, sick relatives, bullying they may experience at school or in their homes... I hope my book finds the kids who will love it and enjoy it just as it is. I hope it makes someone feel a little more seen and a little less lonely. I hope it serves as a reminder that our people are out there, sometimes hidden in plain sight."

Ms. Kaufman has been doing author visits to different ELA classes at CEMS to share her book and writing process with students. How lucky are we!? #CEMS



### *CEMS BAND*

The past two weeks have been busy for new musical experiences at CEMS! Last week, 28 7th/8th grade band/chorus students auditioned for the D1 7/8 Honors Festival, 7th grade jazz band started and this week 8th grade jazz band started.

When you see the following seventh and eighth grade students, please congratulate them for being accepted, by audition, to the MMEA District I 7/8 Honors Festival:

<b>Flute</b> Claire Gaudrault, first chair Phoebe Evans Finn Gilbert Caitlyn Eaton	<b>Tenor Sax</b> Kelsie Law, first chair	<b>Percussion</b> Shyla McVeigh Noah Scott Evan Franks
<b>Clarinet</b> Katherine Halter, first chair Chloe Blackstone Liisi Kuhrt	<b>Trumpet</b> Isabelle Bam Gideon Straw Reagan Gajan	<b>Soprano</b> Lilly Northup Elana Hill
<b>Bass Clarinet</b> Theodore Brennan, first chair Ayden Diamond	<b>Trombone</b> Chase Dyer-Payne, first chair	<b>Alto</b> Shiloh Doody
	<b>Euphonium</b> Ayla Napier	<b>Baritone</b> Logan Knightly
	<b>Tuba</b> Erik Frey, co-first chair Miles Vettese, co-first chair	

Woohoo! CEMS representing! We also had several students who received the top score on their instrument. These students will participate in a two day festival at Sanford High School in early March.

### **Upcoming events:**

**11/5:** Last Pond Cove and CEMS Building Tour before election day. 10:00 AM

**11/7:** Half Day for Students

**11/8:** NO SCHOOL (PT Conferences AM/Staff Development PM)

**11/11:** NO SCHOOL (Veterans Day)

**11/23, 11/24, 11/25:** Thanksgiving Break