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Cossitt Avenue Newsletter

9.2.2022



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Happy Friday Cossitt Families,

Ahead of our gloriously long three day weekend, I wanted to formally check in and confirm the date/time/format for our upcoming Cossitt Meet and Greet. On **Thursday, September 15th from 6-7 pm, teachers in grades 2nd through 6th (and specials)** will be available in their classrooms for informal opportunities to touch base and introduce themselves. Our Specials teachers, Interventionists and Instructional Coach will also be present and available. While our **K-1** teachers previously hosted their meet and greet, they will also be providing short curricular videos. Due to the informal framework of the evening, you will not need to be present for any specific and/or detailed presentations.

Much like in previous iterations of this event, we will be sending out video presentation links from all classroom and specials staff. These will all be collected onto one convenient page of links. You will be receiving these links in **next week's Community Bulletin**. This timeline is intended to give you access to staff presentations ahead of the September 15th gathering.

The feedback that has been received regarding this format has been very positive. Having experienced a variety of formats over the years, it has always been challenging to create the perfect amount of space and time to get curricular details, teacher expectations/protocols, as well as the chance to just be able to introduce yourself to the teacher. We have found this combination to be both efficient and user friendly.

We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as are able to join us on the 15th. We are also hopeful that your interactions with the videos/ppts will allow you the opportunity to more fully engage with the content and the expectations for the upcoming school year.

As we wind down our first full week of school, I can very much affirm that the year has gotten off to a wonderful start and that the children truly do seem to be both energized and relieved to be back together with their teachers and their friends.

Hoping everyone enjoys the long holiday weekend with your precious children.

Important Dates:

- **Monday, September 5th - No School - Labor Day**
- **Thursday, September 8th - Monday Specials Schedule** (meaning your child will follow their classes Monday scheduled rotation)
- **Friday, September 9th - 3rd Grade Bike Rodeo**
- **Monday, September 12th - PICTURE DAY**
- **Thursday, September 15th - Meet & Greet, Curriculum Night**
- **Saturday, September 24th - Cossitt Clothing Sale**

After School Programs

Exciting News....Legacy Sports Camps Programming and After School Enrichment start back! Please use the links below to register.

[Legacy Sport Camp After School Registration](#)

[Afterschool Enrichment Programs](#)

Afterschool Enrichment Programs:

Use the following codes to sign up for the links.

- Amigos
 - Mon 3:15 - 4:15
 - CAS10.17.22A
- Art
 - Mon 3:15 - 4:15
 - CAS10.17.22
- Stage Stars
 - Tues 3:15 - 4:15
 - CAS10.11.22
- STEAM
 - Wed 2:30 - 3:30
 - CAS10.19.22
- Chess
 - Thurs 3:15 - 4:15
 - CAS10.20.22

COSSITT AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS FALL 2022

COSSITT KICKBALL LEAGUE
WEDNESDAYS, GRADES 4-6

September 28 - November 16
2:30PM-3:45PM

Teams will be drawn daily for a kickball game. Statistics are kept and league leaders in the major kicking categories (home runs, kicking average, doubles, etc.) will receive prizes at the end of the season.

COSSITT MULTI-SPORT MADNESS
THURSDAYS, GRADES 1-3

September 29 - November 17
3:15PM-4:30PM

Multi-Sport Madness features variations of traditional gym games like relay races, tag, capture the flag, dodgeball, soccer as well as our popular Legacy games like Hand Hockey, Illinois Jones and Battleship.

Space is limited to 18 students per program.

REGISTER HERE
LEGACYSPORTSCAMP.COM/COSSITT

Questions: info@legacysportscamp.com
or call/text (312) 989-0215
View More Programs at legacysportscamp.com

Smart Start Art
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Create! Sketch! Doodle

Draw! Explore! Grades K-3

Every child is an artist! - Pablo Picasso. Explore your artistic side with Smart Start Art from Afterschool Enrichment Solutions. Learn how to draw an array of animals, from house pets to sea creatures to farm animals to jungle inhabitants! Discover your creativity and imagination as an artist, developing fine motor skills, style, and vision as we explore different artistic techniques through a variety of inspiring projects. Sketch and draw, shade and color, cut, glue, fold... create! See your imagination come to life! Learn about great artists from throughout history and the present day, through a weekly featured artist and fun, exciting games. No experience necessary.

Schedule: 8 Mondays, October 17th - December 12th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
No class: 11/21

To sign up, please visit <https://www.afterschoolenrichment.com/signup>
You will need to enter the course code CAS10.17.22 to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/19 for the early bird price of \$148.00.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@afterschoolenrichment.com

All participants must conduct themselves in a manner that allows all students to fully participate during the class without impeding their experience. We have a no refund policy, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No make-ups will be scheduled for inclement weather or circumstances beyond our control. Please be aware of this as there will be no refunds. It's the parent's responsibility to remain the liaison about the class.

If schools are closed during the program session, classes will pivot to an virtual session. Please be aware of this as there will be no refunds made. Program provider has permission to virtual delivery.

S.T.E.A.M.
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Grades 1-5

Interactive!

This exciting program from Afterschool Enrichment Solutions brings together elements of science, art and math in a hands-on, action-packed environment! Students will conduct experiments, play educational games, and unlock their creativity through building challenges and projects. No experience necessary!

Schedule: 9 Wednesdays, October 19th - December 21st, 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM
No class: 11/23

To sign up, please visit <https://www.afterschoolenrichment.com/signup>
You will need to enter the course code CAS10.19.22 to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/11 for the early bird price of \$175.50.

If you have difficulty registering, please contact Afterschool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@afterschoolenrichment.com

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Amigos

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Learn a Language! Spanish is Fun!



Grades K-3

Arte y Cultura - Learning Spanish is as easy as uno, dos, tres! In Amigos, children will dive deep into the traditions and get a taste of the culture of Spanish speaking nations across the globe as well as learn basic vocabulary words such as numbers, colors, shapes, greetings, days of the week and more. Sing, clap, and count your way towards learning the Spanish language.

Schedule: 8 Mondays, October 17th- December 12th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
No class: 11/21

To sign up, please visit <https://www.learningmeansthefun.com/signup>
You will need to enter the course code **CA510.17.22A** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/9 for the early bird price of \$152.00.
If you have difficulty registering, please contact AfterSchool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@learningmeansthefun.com.

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Stage Stars

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Grades 3-6

Curtain Up! It's time to raise the curtain on our Stage Stars class! Our drama program introduces students to the craft of stage acting. During this exciting class, students will learn theatrical skills, improve basics and participate in interactive drama games. This is an opportunity for students to have fun, express themselves, interact with others within the context of theatre arts.

Schedule: 9 Tuesdays, October 11th- December 20th, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
No class: 11/8, 11/22

To sign up for Stage Stars, please visit <https://www.learningmeansthefun.com/signup>
You will need to enter the course code **CA510.11.22** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/9 for the early bird price of \$171.00.
If you have difficulty registering, please contact AfterSchool Enrichment Solutions at 847-482-9999 or registration@learningmeansthefun.com.


All participants must conduct themselves in a manner that allows all students to fully participate during the class without impeding their experience. We have a no refund policy, unless there is insufficient enrollment. No make-ups will be scheduled for individual weather or circumstances beyond our control. Please be aware of this as there will be no refunds. It's the parent's responsibility to remind the children about the class.

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Chess Scholars

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No Experience Needed



Grades K-6

Develop your child's intellect through the royal game of chess! Current research has shown a strong link between chess and academic performance in a variety of areas, including mathematics and language arts. Chess has been proven to enhance children's motivation, concentration, focus, social skills, and creativity. Each class will consist of a fun, interactive teaching period and guided practice time. Both beginner and experienced players are welcome and will learn under the guidance of an experienced Chess Scholars coach.

Schedule: 9 Thursdays, October 20th- December 22nd, 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM
No class: 11/24

To sign up, please visit <https://www.learningmeansthefun.com/signup>
You will need to enter the course code **CA510.20.22** to register. Please register by 10pm PST on 10/12 for the early bird price of \$171.00.
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Are you receiving the Tiger Times?

The Tiger Times is the newsletter of the Cossitt Parent Teacher Council (PTC). It is e-mailed every Friday at 2:30 pm and includes information about parent participation opportunities (i.e. room parent/ holiday party sign up), student or all school activities (i.e the Back to School Party), and grade specific events (i.e. the upcoming 3rd grade Bike Rodeo).

If you opted out of being in the D-102 directory, then your email was not included on the Tiger Times distribution list. To start receiving the Tiger Times emails, contact cossitttigertimes@gmail.com. Please include your preferred email address and the grade level(s) of your child(ren).

**Note: This will not affect your D-102 Directory preferences.



Cossitt Around Town / West End Art Festival Live Art Auction

Did you know the PTC is a member of the La Grange Business Association (LGBA)? We are working to create a partnership with the community businesses that are right in the Cossitt School neighborhood. Part of our experience with LGBA has been participating in this summer's Art Exhibit called "Earth Day Every Day." Last Spring, Cossitt's Art Teacher, Mrs. Troyer (formerly Ms. McDuff), led the Cossitt Art Program in collaboration with the Cossitt Green Team to create a beautiful rain barrel design titled "We Love the Earth." Our rain barrel has been stationed outside the Cossitt playground on the corner of Hillgrove and Madison Avenue this summer.

The Cossitt rain barrel, along with other colorful rain barrels designed by local artists, will be a part of the live art auction in front of the Stone Avenue train station (701 W. Burlington Avenue) on Saturday, September 10 beginning at 5:00pm. Please consider bidding on our barrel as the proceeds will benefit the Cossitt PTC!

More information about the West End Art Festival, September 10-11, 2022:
<https://cm.lgba.com/events/details/2022-west-end-arts-festival-15409>

Bike Safety Rodeo!

WHEN: Friday, September 9 at 3:15 pm

WHO: ALL **3rd graders** who are interested in riding their bikes to school. **Any 4th, 5th and 6th grade students who have not yet participated in the Bike Safety Rodeo are also invited.**

PARENTS - Please check your child's orange folder for permission slip and more information. Also, please bring your child's bike and helmet to the playground at dismissal on the day of the Bike Safety Rodeo.

SHIELDS TESTING

District 102 is offering weekly SHIELD testing for students who have parent consent.

You can find the sign-up for this on the front page of the district website or with the below link.

Testing will begin the week of 9/12. Exact schedule TBD.

[Dist 102 SHIELDS Testing Sign-Up](#)

School Traffic, Drop-Off, and Pick-Up

In order to create a smooth start and finish to our days, please review the Traffic Map included below. Please note that the parking lot will be closed at 8:00 a.m. to keep all students safe as they walk to their respective line up areas for safety purposes. DO NOT park and leave your vehicle running on these streets. The line must continue to move!! Please feel free to contact the main office (co-office@dist102.k12.il.us) with any questions.

View [Map](#) Here

Morning Arrival Information

Arrival is on the Blacktop on the north side of the building. All students will line up with their classes. Teachers will be outside with signs for easy location. The lines are marked on the blacktop going west to east, Kindergarten - 6th grade. Please see the attached document to make sure that you are familiar with the procedures.

[Arrival Line-Up](#)

**Regular school day (Mon, Tues, Thurs,
Fri)**

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8:15 a.m. Enter Bell

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8:20 a.m - Classes Begin

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11:20 a.m. - Lunch Dismissal

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12:15 p.m. - Classes Begin

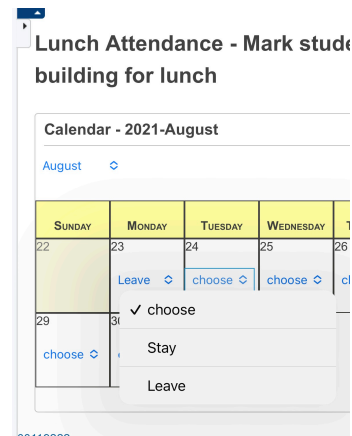
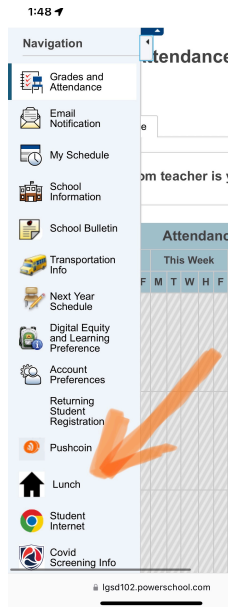
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3:15 p.m. - Dismissal

3:15 p.m. - Dismissal

Going Home for Lunch??

If you want your child to leave campus for lunch. You need to make sure that you check them out in the Parent Portal on PowerSchool as well as remind your child as well, so they can let their teacher know. If your child is not checked out in PowerSchool, we will not let your child leave the building. Lunch pick up is at 11:20 and line up is at 12:05 on the blacktop. Your child may not enter through the main office, they need to enter from the blacktop.



Other Lunch Reminders:

- If your child needs a brown bag school lunch (\$2.95), you need to email the office (co-office@sd102.net) by 9:00 AM. We have to submit our lunch order to our provider so they can arrive on time.
- We no longer provide eating utensils. Please make sure that your child has the appropriate eating utensils packed in their lunch.

Health Office News:

District 102 Health Services believes in supporting optimal health to enhance learning. Please be sure to communicate with your school's health office regarding school absences, medications, and any health diagnoses so we may assist in supporting your child's success in school. Forms, and additional health services information can be found on the district's website under Parents: Health Services:

<https://www.dist102.k12.il.us/HealthServices>

Medications in School:

When it is deemed necessary by a licensed health care provider and parent to give medication in school, District 102 policy and state guidelines must be adhered to. All medication authorization forms need to be renewed each school year. All prescriptions require a medication authorization form to be filled out by the health care provider. Please note: Inhalers must be sent in the original box along with the parent portions of the authorization form filled out. Please contact the health office for questions.

Reporting absences: 708-215-6241 - Leave a Message

All absences should be reported to the health office prior to 8:20 a.m. Please add your school's health office phone number/email to your contact information (coattendance@dist102.k12.il.us 708-215-6241) for reporting absences or other health communication needs. You will need to leave a message. When reporting absences, please state your child's name, teacher, grade, and reason for absence. A nurse will return your call as needed.



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Schools

LaGrange 102 IL

Barnsdale Road School

Congress Park School

Cossitt Avenue School

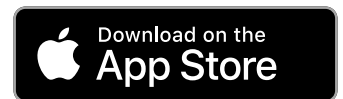
Forest Road School

Ogden Avenue School

Park Junior High School

Science Center

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Find Us

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La Grange, Illinois 60525
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School Hours

8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. | Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday

11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. | Lunch Hours

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. | Wednesday

10:55 a.m. - 11:50 p.m. | Wednesday Lunch
Hours