



CSCS is proud to be an "A" school 11 years in a row!!

A Message from Mr. Springer...

It's hard to imagine that we are already in the second half of this school year. I hope everyone had a wonderful break and is well rested as we close out a successful year. I have no doubt 2015 will bring many successes throughout our school community.

You should have received your child's report card which was sent home on January 21st. If you did not receive one or need an additional copy, please contact the Guidance Department. If your child is experiencing academic difficulty, it is imperative you communicate with your child's teachers and guidance counselor to seek ways for further support. At CSCS we offer numerous opportunities for tutoring and extra help.

Our enrollment process for the 2015-2016 school year is right around the corner! We will begin with the recommitment of current students. Re-enrollment information was included with your child's report card. To ensure your child has a seat for the new school year please complete the recommitment form electronically or by submitting a hard copy to the homeroom teacher or the main office. To hold your child's seat for next year, it is imperative the recommitment letter be returned by the deadline date of Friday, February 20th. As this is the first step, it is also vital that you continue to focus on the completion of your parent service hours to guarantee a seat for the 2015-2016 school year. We will have our Open Enrollment Open House on February 17th from 5pm-7pm. Tell your friends and neighbors as this is an opportunity for prospective parents and students to learn of all the great things happening at CSCS and gives them an opportunity to tour our school.

Regarding academics, please take a look at our guidance section in this newsletter. It will provide you with important dates and information regarding course selections for the 2015-2016 school year.

I'm proud to say that beyond academics, our students continue to stay busy with extra-curricular activities. Our Fine Arts department has multiple activities upcoming and we look forward to showcasing our talent. The winter athletic season is coming to an end with District competitions and our spring season is already underway with practices taking place in all sports. In addition, our clubs are continually active and providing a great service to our community. Please check out our website for all of the current updates in these areas.

Finally, please be reminded that standardized testing will begin in March with the new FSA ELA writing assessment followed by the other assessments mid-April. These tests will take place of the FCATs. See the Testing Section in this newsletter for more detailed information on the new assessments.

I want to thank all of you for your support as we move forward in making the best decisions for your children. Our focus is on the complete child and we are proud of all that we offer.

Go Panthers!

IMPORTANT DATES FEBRUARY



- 4-6 Jr. Class College Tour
- 7 Sr. Class Car Wash, 9am
- 7 Charterpalooza, 3pm, Parking Lot
- 10 SAC Meeting, 6:30pm
- 10 PTSO Meeting, 7pm
- 10 Interim Reports Issued
- 14 Jr. Class Car Wash, 9am
- 16 Holiday, School Closed
- 17 Open Enrollment Open House, 5pm-7pm
- 21 Sophomore Class Car Wash, 9am
- 21 PTSO Casino Night, 7pm, Coral Springs Country Club
- 22 SGA Car Wash, 9am
- 26 Early Release
- 26-28 HS Musical, 7pm, Auditorium
- 28 Freshman Class Car Wash, 9am



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Please make note that the February SAC meeting, which is normally held on the 3rd Monday of each month, has been rescheduled due to February 16th being Presidents' Day. Therefore, the February SAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 10th, at 6:30 p.m. in the school's cafeteria followed immediately at 7:00 p.m. by the February PTSO meeting. We look forward to seeing you at both meetings.

Important Numbers

Main Office: 954-340-4100
MS Attendance: 954-340-4128
HS Attendance: 954-340-4129
Guidance: 954-340-4134
ESE: 954-340-4139
Registrar: 954-340-4108
School Store: 954-340-4123
Athletics: 954-340-4106
Clinic: 954-340-4107
Activities: 954-340-4120
MS Dean: 954-340-4118
HS Dean: 954-340-4125

Charterpalooza is coming February 7th! The festival is held at the CSCS Middle School entrance from 3pm to 8pm.

Charterpalooza is the CSCS band's annual festival. The school bands will perform as well as a few professional bands. We have carnival games and lots of food! Come see your favorite teachers and administrators get a pie-in-the-face. Bounce your legs silly in the bounce house. Music, Games, Food, Raffles! Fun for everyone!

Check out our website:
www.coralspringscharter.org

2015 CSCS Middle School Yearbook

The 2015 Middle School yearbook is now on sale for \$50. Fill in the information below and return to Mrs. Murray (257).

As there are only a limited number of yearbooks available, and we sold out the last 2 years, don't miss out on your chance to purchase this year's book.

****Make all Checks or Money Orders payable to CSCS****

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Phone# _____

Period 1 Teacher: _____ (YB's are delivered to your period 1 class)

#of Yearbooks ordered: _____ Price per book: \$ _____

Total Enclosed: _____



OFFICE DEPOT 5% BACK TO SCHOOLS

Remember to shop for your school supplies at Office Depot and provide them with our school ID number. CSCS will receive credits equal to 5% of the qualifying purchases for use for free supplies. **CSCS ID# 70021362**. If you forget to bring the number, please mention the name of our school and they will credit us.

A WALK IN THE PARK

The Coral Springs Builder's Club invites all parents to take their students/children to the Walk for the Animals on February 28th. This walk benefits the Broward County Humane Society. It is free and yes, friendly dogs are welcome. Last year there were NINE THOUSAND DOGS and everyone had a great time. The walk begins at ten (come early if you want to have your dog in the parade, but otherwise just show up at 10) Broward Blvd. in Ft. Lauderdale.



KEEPING TABS

First Priority Club is collecting can tabs to benefit Ronald McDonald House. Please drop off any can tabs to the front office marked "First Priority".

GET CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL!

CSCS is registered for the 2015 Cash for Schools program at Men's Wearhouse. Our school can **earn \$5 for each qualified tuxedo rental** for the 2015 Senior Prom!* One school will even win **\$25,000!****



GUIDANCE CORNER

Course Selections for the 2015-2016

The course selection process for the 2015-2016 school year will begin in February. Our aim is to have the selections completed by the end of February. Information on inputting the selections will be posted to the website and instructions will be shown to students in class. Guidance will meet with the students individually to finalize the selections to ensure students are choosing the correct classes to meet graduation requirements.

PSAT Results Are In!

10th grade students took the PSAT on October 15. Their score reports are in and Guidance has presented their scores to them in their English class. Please ask your children to see their scores and review the report. They should be logging into My College Quick Start and looking through that website to assist them in getting the most from their scores. My College Quick Start provides free personalized feedback, practice, and college planning based on your PSAT/NMSQT results. Your child's score report will have their access code. This information will help your child in preparing for the SAT that they will begin taking in 11th grade. If your child is currently an 11th grade student and has not received their report, please have them see Ms. Pepe in the Guidance office.

Upcoming Testing

March 2 - March 13 - Florida Standards Assessment English Language Arts (FSA ELA) - Writing Component (grades 6-11). Grade 6 and 7 will be paper based, grades 8-11 will be computer based.

March 30 - April 10 - FCAT Reading Retakes (grades 11 and 12) and Algebra EOC retakes

April 13 - May 8 - FSA ELA grades 6-11 (all computer based), FSA Math grades 6-8 (computer based), FCAT 2.0 Science grade 8 (paper based)

April 20 - May 15 - End of Course FSA Exams (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra 2) - computer based

April 20 - May 22 - End of Course NGSSS Exams (Biology, Civics, US History) - computer based



IT'S CRUNCH TIME AT CSC!"

Our *CSC* students, along with all Florida students, are preparing to take a set of new, high stakes standardized tests this spring, which will replace the FCAT. Known as the "FSA" (Florida Standards Assessment), these tests are aligned to the nationally adopted Common Core Standards, reflecting an enhanced level of rigor and critical thinking skills, in an effort to close learning gaps from grade level to grade level, over time. These tests will be primarily computer-based, including a variety of interactive item types.

The standard-based curriculum we teach here at *CSC* has undergone a gradual shift over the past couple years to reflect the common core-inspired Florida Standards, and to embed routine practice with the new test item types, as this information has become readily available. To help keep you informed on testing updates, as well as, instructional support opportunities, we've created a link on our school's website, under "Test Talk".

Below are highlights of what you should know thus far:

March 2-13, 2015 FSA Writing Test

Grades 6-7 (Paper/Pencil)

Grades 8-11 (CBT- computer-based)

April 13-May 8, 2015 FSA English Language Arts Grades 6-11 (CBT)

April 13-May 8, 2015 FSA Mathematics (CBT) Grades 6-8

April 20-May 8, 2015 Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II EOCs (End-of-Course Assessments)

Visit the FSA website for testing information, as well as, sample question items for each testing category, and training tests our students can do to get familiar with the new format.

<http://fsassessments.org/students-and-parents>

B.R.A.C.E NEWS.....



SENIORS, please remember to apply for Bright Futures. You **MUST** apply before graduation to even be considered for eligibility. It will only take 7 minutes. Log on to:

https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/ua/sawstua_uaform.asp.

If you are concerned about requirements, please see Mrs. Chirichella for your current eligibility status.

FYI: All CSCS High School students need **80** volunteer hours in order to graduate. Feel free to log onto <http://www.handsonbroward.org/> for organizations and businesses that are looking for volunteers.

ALL CSCS seniors who hope to be eligible for the **top Bright Futures Award**, the Florida Academic Scholarship (**FAS**), needs **100** hours of **Community Service** logged by graduation.

Attention juniors: Now is the time to start signing up for the SAT or ACT. Please log onto www.collegeboard.com or www.act.org for test dates and registration information.

The next SAT date is March 14, 2015. Register by February 13th to avoid the late fee. The next ACT date is April 18, 2015. Register by March 13th to avoid the late fee. Fee Waivers are available for students on Free or Reduced Lunch. See Mrs. Chirichella.

EXPERT FAFSA HELP AVAILABLE: Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 11, 2015

Robin Blank, Outreach Representative from the Florida Department of Education, Office of Student Financial Assistance, will be in the Guidance Office assisting parents and students (seniors only) filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. To make an appointment, call Mrs. Chirichella at 954-340-4114 or write to her at mchirichella@coralspringscharter.org. Certain financial documents must be brought with you in order to complete the form. More information will be provided by the BRACE Advisor. Appointments can be made from 12:45 - 3:15.

CHEERS TO DECA

The CSCS DECA Chapter would like to recognize our students who excelled in either DECA testing or business related papers. These students will be moving on to compete at the state level in Orlando, Florida. If you see them through the halls, please congratulate them because they have all worked very hard to get to this place. Thank you for your continued support of DECA.

Abelardo Riojas
Asaf Rotem
Austin LeBlanc
Brendan McEnroe
Brian Caldwell
Brittany Geisen
Bryce Enea
Cathleen Maluda
Christopher Day
Dillon Ragin
Gabriela Pineros
Gustav Van Rooyen
Jacquelyn Sinowitz
Jennifer Petracca
Jessica Diamond
Kathryn Ramjattan
Kathy Weich
Kevin Wisniewski
Kylie Driscoll
Madison Fechter

Maria Sarralde
Mark Papaleo
Mateo Cañarte
Matt Morin
Matthew Horn
Natalie Hazel
Nicholas Cunningha
Nicole Ferara
Nikki Mamone
Noah Elkin
Ophir Rotem
Quinn Reeves
Rachel Rusian
Remuka Faustin
Reshanna Jagroo
Robert Sanchez
Samantha Illanez
Sydney Sharp
William Fix



WHAT'S UP WITH NHS



The return to school from the holiday break is not only the beginning of the second semester and the homestretch for our seniors, but also starts a new season of service and events for National Honor Society.

The new semester means that each member of NHS must fulfill another 15 hours of service. Because our membership consists of those students with a commitment to service and who have an above average grade point average, our principle way of performing service is through tutoring. Our members tutor 6th and 7th grade students in math. Under the supervision of Ms. Sonders and Mr. Bocel of the middle school math department, and our own Gustav Van Rooyan, VP of Tutoring, NHS members help teachers reach those children who are at risk of not passing the FCAT exam and help them overcome their fear of math.

This year we have several new programs. In cooperation with several local charitable groups, NHS members participate in Soccer Buddies and Music Buddies. These are programs where our members work with children with special needs who want to play music or participate in organized sports. The bond that develops between our members and the families of whose children we help is truly something special.

This month we will also be turning in our bottles of coins to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Pennies for Patients Campaign. Our members, under the leadership of Sharon Duarte, VP of Events, collected loose change from around their houses and filled water bottles with them. For the last four years our school has collected more money than any other school our size. Because of that accomplishment, we have won a free luncheon sponsored by Olive Garden. We intend to win again this year!

Future projects include a club trip to a Broward homeless shelter, canal cleanups and other fundraising events for charity. Our President, Danielle Almonzar, will also begin efforts to recruit members for next year's club. Look for information on that in next month's issue.

For more info on NHS and NHS activities, or to see if your child qualifies to join National Honor Society, write to our advisor, Mr. Singer at msinger@coralspringscharter.org

Reading



Challenge

We have just had both our monthly and quarterly drawings. One High School and one Middle School student were winners of brand new NOOK e-readers. Other students received B&N gift cards. Students who turn in a complete response card for a book they've read will receive a raffle ticket for our next drawings. Remember, students who participate in the *Reading Plus* program and complete 3 "Combos" will also receive a ticket for the drawing. Student names will be posted on the display near the entrance to the theater, along with the most complete and *interesting* responses. Please remind students to try their best to answer their choice of question and support their answer with something from the book. Also, please continue to reinforce the difference between Fiction and Non-fiction (informational) books. Many students, especially the younger ones, find this confusing. Responses that make it to the wall will receive 5 extra tickets. The month of February is a "double header," highlighting two fiction genres: *Animal Stories* and *Horror*. Whichever choice they make, they will receive 5 extra tickets for a completed card. Response cards are available from electives teachers, Reading teachers, and from Mrs. D. Martin. Please contact Mrs. Martin with any questions.



District Literary Fair

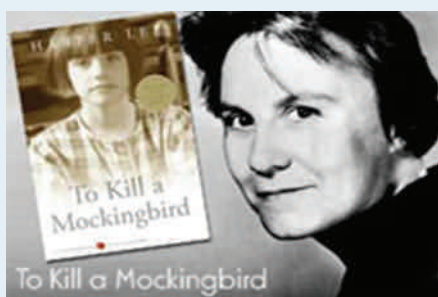
There is still time to enter the Literary Fair! This writing competition is open to all middle and high school students!

Categories for this writing competition include various types of poetry and prose. Handbooks with rules and categories have been distributed to teachers. Students are welcome to see Mrs. Martin for their own hard copy. It can also be emailed to parents and students. Please note whether you need the middle or high school version: dmartin@coralspringscharter.org.

Students may bring their pieces to their Language Arts/English teacher or to Mrs. D. Martin by March 16th. Mrs. Martin can then work with individual students to prepare their submissions for the county deadline.

Placing in the fair is quite an achievement in a district with 40 middle schools and 33 high schools. This is a great opportunity for students to write creatively and from the heart. Please contact Mrs. D. Martin with any questions.





At the Library ...

Computer Animation Class, grades 6-12: Saturday, Feb. 7, 1:00-3:00 PM. Call 954-357 7990, ext.4 to register.

Screening of the movie, “*Boo- the Story of Harper Lee and To Kill a Mockingbird.*”
Wednesday, Feb.25, 6-7:30 PM.

Teen Creative Writing Program, grades 6-12: Based on quotes from “*To Kill a Mockingbird.*” Saturday, Feb. 21st 12:30-2 PM. Pre-registration suggested. Refreshments will be served.



CSCS STUDENTS GET ARTSY

Congratulations to the following students for winning the Martin Luther King, Jr. Art Contest!!

Courtney Sienkiewich, 11th Grade, 2nd Place
Danielle Smith, 11th Grade, Honorable Mention

Literary Winners:

Victoria Burrello, 12th Grade, 1st Place
Brian Caldwell, 12th Grade, 2nd Place
Kayla Trites, 12th Grade, 3rd Place
Scott Murphy, 12th Grade, Honorable Mention
Ashley Taepakdee, 12th Grade, Honorable Mention



Artworks were on display at the Center for the Art through January.

PTSO



TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!

PTSO would like to thank the Parents and Staff for their continued support to CSCS PTSO!!!!

As you know our Annual Fundraiser is quickly approaching. I would like to thank all the parents who are working so diligently in helping to make this event a success.

There are still plenty of opportunities to get involved and earn your volunteer hours.

Join PTSO = 2 hours

- *Attend PTSO meetings (2nd Tuesday of each month) = 1 hour*
- *Guidance Dept. meeting following PTSO meeting = 1 hour*
- *Attend SAC meetings (3rd Monday of each month) = 1 hour*
- *Purchase a ticket(s) for the Casino Night = 2 hours*
- *Sponsorship for the Casino Night = 10 hours*
- *Donated items = 1 hour for every \$10.00 spent*
- *Any Volunteer Hours Spent on Committees/Copy Room/Book Room/Cafeteria/School Store Actual Hours Worked is Received*

Contact info:

ptso@coralspringscharter.org

Casino Night

The PTSO Annual Fundraiser Event
For the Coral Springs Charter School
Saturday, February 21, 2015

At the Country Club of Coral Springs.

This is one of our biggest fundraisers and social events of the year for parents and staff.

Ticket price includes

Buffet Dinner

5000 Casino Chips*

Raffles, 50/50 Chinese/Silent Auction & Door Prizes

\$50.00

Tickets can be purchased

In the front office

Donations and proceeds go to the Coral Springs Charter School

ptso@coralspringscharter.org

The Casino gaming tables are provided for entertainment purposes only by

Casino Party Nights Florida Inc. www.CasinoPartyNightsFlorida.Com

It is with the help of our parents that Casino Night will be a success.

CASINO NIGHT WISH LIST



RESTAURANT GIFT CARDS; CHEESECAKE FACTORY, BONEFISH GRILL,
PF CHANGS, BIG BEAR BREWERY

MOVIE PASSES OR GIFT CERTIFICATE

BEACH UMBRELLA, BEACH TOTE BAG, BEACH CHAIRS, COOLER

ICE CREAM STORE GIFT CERTIFICATES

LOCAL RESTAURANTS; (we have so many great places to eat in Coral Springs)

ITALIAN, MEXICAN, JAPANESE/SUSHI, DELI, INDIAN, SUB SHOPS, PIZZA PLACES

GOLF ACCESSORIES

COLLEGE BOUND ITEMS; COFFEE MAKER, SMALL TOASTER OVEN, BLENDER,

GIFT CARDS; GAS, PUBLIX, STARBUCKS, DUNKIN DONUTS, AIRLINES, VISA, AMEX,

RETAILER GIFT CARDS; SIMON MALL SAWGRASS MILLS, TARGET, WALMART

CAR CLEANING ITEMS; SPONGES, SPRAY CLEANERS MICROFIBER CLOTHS

TRAVEL ITEMS; SMALL SUITCASE, TRAVEL SIZE CONTAINERS MAKE-UP BAG, ADAPTER

WORKOUT ITEMS; YOGA MAT, WATERBOTTLE, WEIGHTS

KID THEME; BOARDGAMES, BASKETBALL, SOCCER BALL, FOOTBALL

CELLOPHANE WRAP, PACKING PEANUTS AND/OR SHRED

BASKETS assorted sizes, WHITE/BLACK/SILVER WIDE WIRED RIBBON

Remember you will earn 1 volunteer hour for every \$10 spent

**All donations must be received in the front office by February 13,
2015 THANK YOU!**

NEED PARENT VOLUNTEER HOURS?

Please continue logging your hours on your Parent Power School Account. Due date is May 8th for parents of 8th graders and seniors, and May 12 for all others. Thank you for your continued dedication to CSCS!

Casino Night - Feb. 21st at The Country Club of Coral Springs. This is our big fund-raiser of the year and we hope you will attend. You'll receive 2 hours for each ticket purchased (\$50.00 per ticket and you may purchase your tickets from any Casino Night Committee Member, or in the school store or the front office. This night is so much fun and a good way to get together with many other Charter Parents, Staff and Friends. You can also earn 10 parent volunteer hours by securing a sponsorship for Casino Night. Sponsorships are \$250.00. If you would like to donate items for our Chinese Auction, Raffle and Door Prize Give-Away, you'll earn 1 hour for each \$10.00 value. Donations may be dropped off on or before February 13 in the School Store or Front Office. For more details, please email Gina Careccia at PTSO@coralspringscharter.org.

We are in need of cafeteria volunteers 10:30 - 1:30 daily. Please sign in at the front office when you arrive. Please call [954-340-4100](tel:954-340-4100) or email me kmiller@coralspringscharter.org if you would like to help with this.

Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House through our First Priority Club (Pop Tabs donations do not earn parent volunteer hours, but wanted to let you know about this worthy cause). We have a collection jar in the front office or you may have your student give them to Ms. McCorvey in room 241.



TEACHERS' WISH LISTS

You may want to purchase for a certain teacher or send in items for distribution. Your student can bring in the items to the teacher or they can be dropped off at the front office. You'll earn one parent volunteer hour per \$10.00 spent.

Ms. Brajdic
Pencils

Mr. Carpio
Kleenex
Copy paper
AAA batteries

Ms. Clark-Morrison and Mrs. Palermo

Large Post-its Easel Pads, Flip chart markers

Mrs. Delman

Paper Towels, Tissues, Lined loose leaf paper, Colored pencils

Package of oak tag poster paper (white or manila color) (8 by 11) they sell this at ACE.

Electric pencil sharpener

Ms. Duff

Markers, Glue sticks, Colored paper, Rulers, Tape, White boards, Expo markers, slinkys
Cups, large paper (anything bigger than 8x11)

Mr. Graber

paper towels, scotch tape rolls for dispensers, Fabric books and wall paper books,
glue sticks (about 4 dozen large)

Ms. Hill

Sticky notes (bright colors), Color paper, Kleenex tissue boxes, File folders

Ms. Koder

Thick and thin markers, stapler, Construction paper (all sizes), Scotch tape / Index cards / Post-its

Candy (for rewards), Masking tape (wide), Pencil sharpeners (electric would be awesome)

Gift cards to Wal-Mart

Ms. Kosonen

Wooden stakes for our garden experiment

Ms. Ligouri

Paperback books of *The Giver* and *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night* about \$5 each at Barnes and Noble, Wrapped candies for the upcoming candy sale for Builders' Club

Mrs. D. Martin

White-out, scotch magic tape for dispenser (store brand OK) ,copy paper, 2 Sharpie "Ultra-Fine" marker pens

Ms. McCorvey

Expo Markers - Assorted Colors, Markers - Assorted Colors, Copy Paper, Notebook Paper, Colored Pencils

Mr. Miller

Expo Markers - Assorted Colors

Ms. Parks

large paper clips and printer paper

Ms. Reid

Computer paper, Boxes of Tissues

Ms. Shank

Copy paper, Pencils, Pens, Highlighters, Markers

Mrs. Spence

30 rulers

Mr. Spence

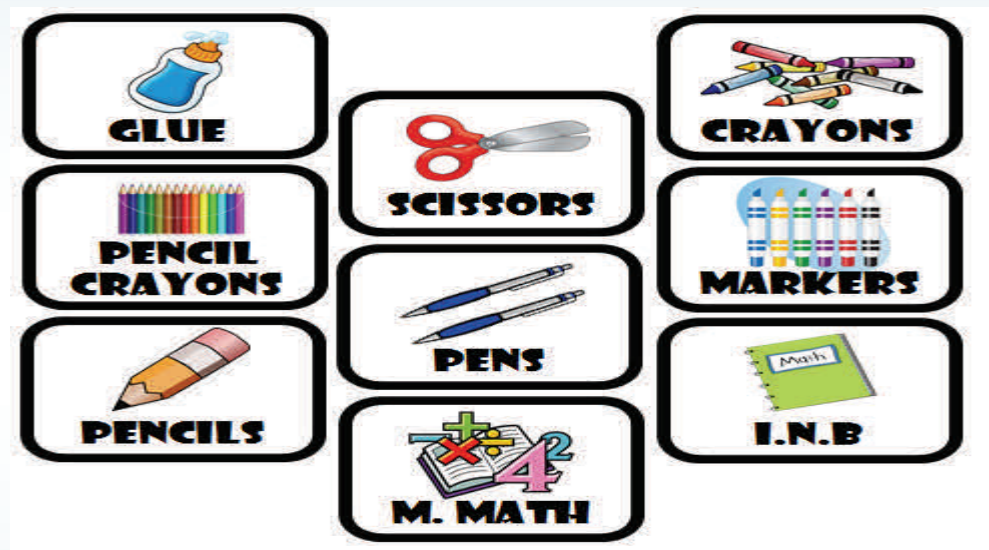
6 boxes of Kleenex, 3 bottles of Hand Sanitizers, 2 Reams of Computer Paper

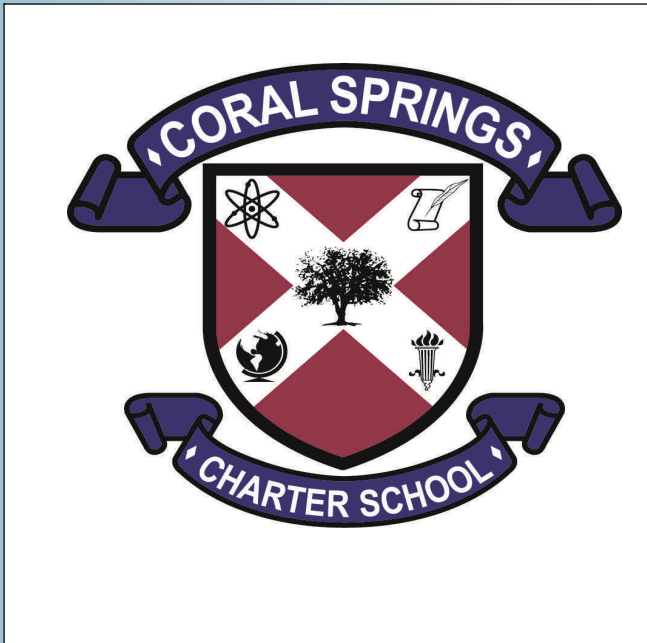
Mr. Thompson

index cards, color markers, color pencils, construction paper

Ms. Toledo

paper/copy paper, pencils / erasers, dry erase markers





Coral Springs Charter School
2015 – 2016 Open Enrollment

Open House Feb. 17, 2015

5pm – 7pm

*Please submit your
on-line application at
coralspringscharter.org*

*Feb. 15th – March 15th, 2015
to be included in our lottery.*

Our Open Enrollment Open House will be on February 17, 2015 from 5pm to 7pm. We will also offer school tours by appointment, on the following Tuesdays and Thursdays in March at 3:00pm: March 3rd, 5th, 10th, and 12th only. Please call our Main Office at 954-340-4100 to make your reservation for a tour.

If we have more applicants than spaces available for the 2015-2016 school year, a random lottery will take place in April and parents will be notified by email if their student is chosen through our lottery.

Coral Springs Charter School

A Florida "A" School

3205 N. University Drive

Coral Springs, FL 33065

(954) 340-4100

*Coral Springs Police Department
Non-Emergency*

954-344-1800

In an Emergency, dial

911

Visit CoralSprings.org/police

Remember that you are a valuable part of our community.

The Coral Springs Police Department requests your assistance in discouraging crime.



The Make a Call, Make a Difference campaign is made possible through the use of forfeiture funds. No public tax dollars were used.

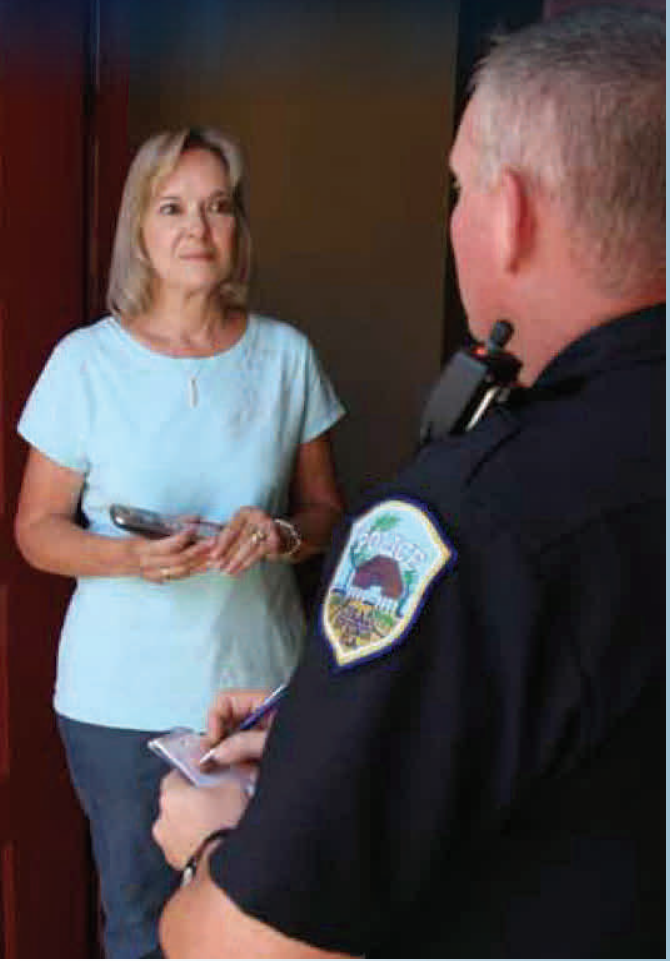
Community of Excellence
CORAL SPRINGS

**Coral Springs Police
ask you
to**



**Make
a Call,
Make a Difference!**

954-344-1800



Coral Springs Police ask you to

Make Make^a Call, a Difference

Coral Springs is known for being a safe community – our City has one of the lowest crime rates in Florida. That doesn't mean we can let our guard down. It's important to practice **crime prevention** and to be on the lookout for **suspicious activity**.

Residents can be of vital assistance to the Coral Springs Police Department by following these tips and reporting suspicious activity by calling the Police Non-Emergency line at **954-344-1800**.

Be on the lookout for any **suspicious people or vehicles** in your neighborhood. Criminals have been known to pose as solicitors and often knock on house doors to see if anyone is home. If a solicitor contacts you, make sure to **ask for ID** and call the company to verify that they are in fact who they say they are. If anyone knocks on your door and asks about your neighbor and whether they're at home, please **don't provide any answers**. Instead, call the Police Department as soon possible at 954-344-1800.

Always remember to **lock your car doors** and keep **valuables out of sight** – or better yet, take them with you.

Many crimes take only seconds to happen, so please help us keep Coral Springs the nation's premier community to live, work and raise a family by making a call and making a difference.

Remember these safety tips:

- Always keep your doors locked, and if you have an alarm, use it
- **Trim landscaping** around windows and doors so that bushes and hedges cannot conceal criminals
- **Install outside motion sensor lights** to illuminate the driveway and front of residence
- **Close your garage door** even when working in the backyard
- Complete an **inventory of all valuables** to include: make, model, serial number, description, and cost
- **Photograph** your property
- If an unfamiliar or **suspicious vehicle** travels through your area or is parked in your neighbor's driveway, call 911
- Establish a **neighborhood watch** group by calling 954-344-1835
- Call for a **free security survey** at 954-344-1835
- Call 954-344-1800 to **request a "Vacation Watch"** when you are away

Use this magnet and wallet card to remind you to Make a Call, Make a Difference!

Coral Springs Police
ask you



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a Difference!**
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by calling the Police
Non-Emergency line at
954-344-1800

*Always dial 911
in a true emergency
or if you see a crime in progress.*