



Cub Newsletter

March 2022

Main Office 324-2800 Attendance Line 324-2802

Office hours 7:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

School day hours 8:05 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Library hours 7:50 a.m. - 3:20 p.m

Transportation 324-2100

Attendance Office phone number 324-2802

**** Please let us know if any phone numbers, addresses, or e-mails have changed so we can keep in contact with you!**

**Also – if you need to pick your child up during the school day, please send a note w them or call us ahead of time (preferably at least an hour). Picking up during lunchtime is especially difficult to find students.

Important Dates

March 15th Eighth Grade Orchestra Festival-HMS

March 16th Parent Council meeting

March 16th & 17th Parent/Teachers Conferences

March 21st Seventh Grade Band Festival – Civic Center

March 22nd Eighth Grade Band Festival - Civic Center

March 25th End of 3rd Quarter

March 28th-April 1st No School – Spring Break

The 2021-22 District Calendar:
<http://cra.helenaschools.org/resources/>

YEARBOOK ORDERS

If you would like to order a yearbook for your child, an order form may be picked up and returned with payment to the main office OR order the yearbook online website:

www.yearbookforever.com

The deadline for ordering a yearbook through the school is April 27, 2022. After this date, yearbooks can ONLY be ordered online and the price is raised from \$20.00 to \$25.00.

Middle School Activities

The C.R. Anderson Sports Program is to provide equal and safe opportunities for all students to participate. Our focus is to foster competition, sportsmanship, teamwork, and individual improvement.

Registration forms will be available at the main office, prior to the start of that particular sport. Fees (\$40 per activity) must be paid at the time of registration.

Volleyball 6th/7th/8th

Starts March 15 – April 28

Track

Starts May 3 – June 1

Freshman Registration for 2022-2023

February 28th – Registration Materials Dropped Off

March 2nd – CHS Tour – 8th graders to visit CHS

March 3rd – Parent Night at CHS – 7:00 pm (auditorium)

March 4th – Registration Pickup

Capital High School will be hosting an informational meeting in the CHS auditorium on **Thursday, March 3rd** at 7:00 pm concerning freshman scheduling.

This meeting will cover registration for all new 9th grade students who will be attending Capital High School in the fall of 2022. The format of the meeting will be as follows:

- Department presentations regarding the freshman classes and how students will be selected for such classes as Honors Earth Science, Honors Math, General Earth Science, Applied English, and JMG
- Registration Process
- College Entrance Requirements

The various Department Heads will answer questions that are related to the current Registration Guide and course selection for the next year.

All Parents Are Urged to Attend with Your Student!

***** Chromebook Accidental Damage or Loss Protection Plan *****

Reminder- If you have not filled out a technology use agreement and paid for the protection plan for your child, you might want to consider doing so and opting into the "Accidental Damage and Loss Protection Plan." The plan costs \$15 dollars per year and can be a BIG savings to families.

The cost to replace the screen is \$100, trackpad - \$60, the outer casing- \$150, and the entire computer costs between \$229-\$289 depending on the model year. The protection plan covers all accidental damage and loss. We issue a new computer to you child with no fee to replace any broken parts.

If you are interested in opting into the Accidental Damage or Loss Protection Plan. Have your child stop by the office or library and pick up a form. Fill it out and return it with the \$15 fee to the main office.

After-School Kids Academic Assistance Program

We are currently accepting applications for the after-school study program. Applications are available thru your student's advisor.

We will meet Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00.

Students in this program receive assistance with their homework from teachers. The participants are expected to follow all school rules and come prepared to work during the study time. Attendance is expected unless there has been an excused absence for the school day. Enrollment is limited and a waiting list is kept for any overflow.

Capital Talent Search Program:

Montana Tech's Educational Talent Search (ETS) program will provide academic, career, and financial counseling to our high school and middle school participants and encourage them to graduate from high school and continue on to the post-secondary school of their choice.

Talent Search is an outreach program supported by Montana Tech and funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

Talent Search provides services such as: career exploration, college planning and financial aid workshops, academic advising/career counseling, campus visitation, social/cultural programs, field trips, tutoring and much more!

Talent Search's primary focus is, but is not limited to, helping low income and first-generation students build the skills to succeed in post-secondary education.

Services provided:

- Weekly meetings
- Academic advising
- Career and personal counseling
- Time, money, and stress management
- Public service activities
- Building of cultural awareness

For more information contact Michelle Goyette at 406-324-2763, or mgoyette@helenaschools.org.

From the Health Room...

To help prevent the spread of illness, please keep your child home if they have ill symptoms. We are trying to keep the students in school and HEALTHY! Thank you.

6th Grade Parents: All incoming 7th graders for next school year must have a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine. We need to have a record of this at the school before next school year starts. Check their immunization record. If your child does not have their Tdap vaccine for 7th grade, start making plans to get this done.

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C.R. Anderson Middle School

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The MET, Live at C.R. Anderson Middle School!

The Helena School District is in its fourteenth year partnering with the Metropolitan Opera Company (the MET) for the *Live in Schools* program. The *Live in Schools* program provides tickets to operas each season so teachers can introduce students to this incredible art form. Each opera is streamed live to our local movie theater, and the MET provides rich and detailed educator guides that help teachers and students learn about each show.

Everyone is welcome to be a part of the *Live in Schools* program. If you want to get involved with the opera you can get a permission slip from any music teacher or contact Mr. Cleary at kcleary@helenaschools.org for more information. We hope to see you at the opera!



Ironhorse Youth Music is excited about all the work we have already explored during our 2021-2022 fall semester! Our diverse ensembles welcome students of all ages and ability levels who want to explore challenging symphonic, choral, and even rock literature with their peers. Ensembles meet on Thursdays, but our lesson and class programs have a varied schedule.

If you are interested in learning more about our organization, or in obtaining an enrollment brochure, please visit our website (<https://ironhorsemusic.org/>). We welcome strings, brass, woodwind, and percussion players along with vocalists. If you just want to hear some great music, our Winter Concert will be held on Sunday, December 19 at 4:00 pm at St. Paul's Methodist Church. Talk with your music teacher or contact Mr. Cleary (kcleary@ironhorsemusic.org) if you are interested in joining an Ironhorse program!

New York City 2022!

The tour group that Mr. Cleary is leading is making its final preparations to leave for New York! Our departure date is March 29 and our return date is April 2; we want to thank the entire CRA community for their support leading up to tour, and we would like to invite everyone to follow our activities on tour using the *C.R. Anderson Middle School Music* Facebook page. Mr. Cleary will post updates and pictures from our travels to keep in touch with everyone enjoying spring break in Helena.

Enrolled participants have their final, mandatory tour meetings on **Wednesday, February 9** and **Wednesday, March 23 at 6:00 pm**. (More details will be shared with the tour group over email.) At our meetings, we will discuss final itinerary details and receive tour backpacks and hoodies. It will be a busy two months leading up to tour, but the experience will be magical!