



PTO MEETING
 THE FIRST MEETING OF THE UPPER ELEMENTARY PTO WILL TAKE PLACE MONDAY, SEPT. 12TH 6:30 PM IN THE MEDIA CENTER. COME JOIN US FOR OFFICER ELECTIONS AND LOTS OF PLANNING FOR THE YEAR TO COME!

"CUE COMMENTARY"

Charlotte Upper Elementary School

Welcome Back to School

It is time to start thinking about the start of the school year at our brand new building. We have been working all summer making the floors shine and clean for all of our incoming fourth and fifth graders. In this newsletter, you will find many pieces of information for the beginning of the school year...if you should have any questions, please call 541-5770. Deanna Shoup and Angela Porter-Corralez are our wonderful office staff that would love to help you with anything you need.

Check out the Icon!
 On the Charlotte Public Schools' website is the location to find much helpful information about school. Schedules, procedures, and parent resources are just a few pieces of information you can find.
 Hope you will check it out!
www.charlottenet.org

It is a practice of the school district to periodically issue information and publish photographs of school programs and activities. Unless you advise the school district that you do not want photographs of your student included with published articles or information releases, school officials may publish such photographs with school related articles or news releases. If you object to the publication of these photographs, please contact the Human Resources Office at 541-5103 by September 16, 2011.

Open House

The CUE Staff invites you to a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to officially open Charlotte Upper Elementary School on
Wednesday, August 31 6:15-6:30
 and
Wednesday, August 31 6:30-7:30
Open House

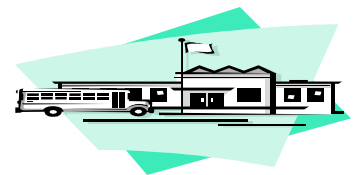
This will be an informal time to see your classroom, meet your teacher and visit with old friends.

If you would like to discuss your child's individual needs, please make arrangements to do this at another time with his/her teacher.

Principal Note: My name is Kim Caudell and I will be your child's principal this year. I have been teaching for 27 years in many different capacities, but my latest was principal at Parkview Elementary School. I can't wait to meet all of you soon!

Upcoming Events:

- August 31-6:15 Ribbon Cutting outside the west door
- August 31-6:30-7:30 Open House
- September 6-School starts at 8:45
- September 8-Frontier Day's Wear
- September 28-Picture Day (more information coming)



Important Times to Remember

Students May Enter Building	8:30
School Begins	8:45
Various Lunch Times Between	12:25-1:00
School Ends	3:45
School Office Open	8:00
School Office Closes Fridays	4:30-4:00

Transportation Needs

If you should have questions about your child's transportation to and from school, please contact the transportation department at 543-3400.



A is for ATTENDANCE.

Attendance is a critical factor in any child's school success. Children should attend school every day, except in cases of illness or emergency. It is impossible to replace the learning that happens on any school day with make-up work. Regular attendance and promptness are good habits that are expected and appreciated at all levels of schooling and in the workplace. This year, make school a priority in your household. Commit to excellence in attendance. Your child's future depends on it!

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Food Service

Charlotte Public Schools has available healthy choices for breakfast and lunch each day. Lunch envelopes are provided to you at anytime and can also be found outside the office. You may monitor your child's lunch account by calling Michelle Sine at 541-5112 for an ID number that will allow you to use your computer at home. If your child's lunch account has a negative balance, they will receive a sandwich at lunch until this is taken care of with the addition of funds to the account. You may also put a message on your child's account not to eat breakfast or have a limit of the amount of money that can be spent at lunch by calling the Food Services office at 541-5140.

Elementary Lunch-\$2.40

Breakfast-\$1.30

Milk-\$.45

If you are interested in applying for Free/Reduced lunches, forms are available all year long in our school office.



Off to school, we go!

Communication Folder

One day each week, a school communication folder will be sent home with your child. In this folder, you will find very important messages and information from school and your child's teacher. Please return the folder each week to your child's teacher. In the first week of school, your child will also bring home a Student Handbook. The handbook outlines the guidelines of attendance, dress code, behavior, and discipline code that have been put in place to help all students learn in a comfortable atmosphere. Please take time read through the handbook with your child to become familiar with its contents. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Today I hurry off to school, To work and learn and play. I'm in a brand new grade this year. What a happy day!



Keeping Our School Safe

One of the main priorities here at CUE is for all of our students to feel they can learn in a safe environment. We take many precautions during the school year to insure this.

We practice fire, tornado, and lock down situations throughout the school year, all staff are required to wear Charlotte Public Schools

nametags, have been finger printed and background checked, and we have only one entry door unlocked during the school day.

We ask all parents and volunteers to check in and out of the office when the need arises to visit a classroom. Our check-in computer system will print you a badge to wear throughout your visit with us.

When the need arises to pick up your child, please come to the school office and we will call the classroom to have them dismissed.

At the end of the school day if you are picking up your child, please wait outside the hallway door and your child will meet you there. If you are staying in your car to pick up your child, please line up in the pick up line on the west side of the building.

Encore Schedules

You will find your child's encore schedule in this envelope. Each nine weeks, your child will attend one encore each day. At the end of the nine weeks, he/she will change to another. During the Art/Tech encore, your child will experience each for four and one-half weeks.

During the PE rotation, your child will be in the pool. Girls are required to wear a one piece suit, tankini or a t-shirt over a two piece suit. Boys are required to wear a regular bathing suit and cut offs cannot be worn. Sales are going on right now! Mr. Richardson will be supervising the boys in the locker room and Ms. Minnis will be in the girl's locker

room during changing time. More information will come from the teachers before your child's first swimming day in the pool.

Fifth Graders will have their encore for their first class each day. They will walk to their classrooms first in the morning, put things away in their lockers, say hi to their teacher and then be off to their encore of that nine weeks. Your student may want to come to school



"I can look at a fine art photograph, and hear music."
>>>>>Ansel Adams

dressed for swimming class during their PE rotation with clothes over their suits.

Fourth graders will have their encore at 9:33 each day.

Encore teachers are shared with CUE and with the Middle School and they will be available at our Open House between 7:00-8:00 on

August 31st in their

classrooms located on the enclosed school map.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS! Background Check First!

Our encore teachers are:

We love volunteers! Are you are willing to help in our classrooms, attend school parties or functions, such as a field trip, we need first to do a background check. This is a Charlotte Public Schools' policy insure the safety of our students and staff. Please find enclosed a form giving the school district authorization to do a background investigation. This

information is strictly confidential and must be done on a yearly basis. Contact is made with only those persons who do not pass the check, so please assume if you do not hear from our school, everything is fine.

PE: Ms. Minnis and Mr. Richardson

Music: Ms. Detgen and Mr. Gronda

Spanish: Mrs. Turner and Ms. Gray

Art: Mrs. Converse

Technology: Mr. Haston



Parent-Teacher Conferences Sign-Up

Sign up on the office windows for your Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences day and time at the Open House on August 31st.
Conferences will be held on November 8th and November 10th from 5:00-8:00.

Lockers

Each student will have their own locker. If you are buying a new backpack, please keep in mind that those with wheels on them, do not fit in our lockers. Students will not be using lock combinations and padlocks from home will not be allowed. Student lunches, backpacks, coats, boots, educational materials will be kept in the locker and projects that your

teacher's may have them store there. Please do not bring any toys or valuable items to store in lockers. We are not responsible for any lost items.

Did You Know?

Reading 20 minutes each day with your child, will increase their vocabulary by 2,000,000 words by age 18?

News for Students...Parents please share this information with your child....

Dear Fourth and Fifth Grade Students...

Welcome to the Upper Elementary School! Your teachers have been working long hours to have your classroom ready for your arrival in just a few weeks. I know the first few days might be a little scary, but please don't be afraid to ask any adult you see in the hallways any question. Finding your classroom, bathroom, office, and all those things are places we all have to learn, so ask for help. Enclosed you will find a map of the classrooms-if your classroom starts with a "B" then you are in the blue hallway. If your classroom starts with an "A" you are in the red hallway.

Each of you will have your own locker, but they are skinny. Please do not bring a backpack with wheels because they don't fit. Also, don't bring valuable toys, trading cards, comics (unless your teacher request), cell phones, pagers, cameras...leave these at home. If they come up missing, we won't be able to replace them. If any of these items are seen during the school day, I will hold onto them during the rest of the school day for you to pick up after school. If they are brought back for a second time, I will hold on to them until a parent comes to pick them up from me after a phone call is made home.

What you do need to bring is a great positive attitude about school! Your teachers have worked very hard to provide you fun lessons to learn about many different things, but they need you to get enough sleep at night and eat a great breakfast, so you come to school motivated ready to learn.

One more thing, you are at the age where personal hygiene is a must. Please take responsibility to wear deodorant every day, but leave the perfume and aftershave until you get older.

I can't wait to meet all of you and watch the progress you will make as an upper elementary student this year. I will see you soon.....Mrs. Caudell

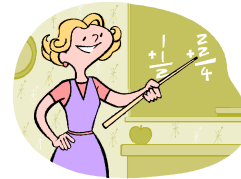
MEET YOUR TEACHERS AND STAFF

Paraprofessionals

Sue Cuttle
Dresden Ellis
Mary Moran
Loretta Moss
Jennye Ramireze

Fourth Grade:

Lori Bunker
Amy Byam
Cris Cramer
Lisa Hoyt
Angi Jewell
Tracy Sylvia
Tom Watson



Fifth Grade:

April Boak
Celena Bruch
Julie Dudley
Yvonne King
Michelle Marchand
Bob Schneider
Beth Wildern



Student Support

Trish Collard
Marie Kineman
Deb Marquardt
Tracy Prush
Carrie Richardson
Brooke Spohn
DeAnn Schwarz
Barb Kaiser

Custodial Staff

Alex Cook
Julie Cook
Kim Kane
Dan Ruthruff
Ike Uhl