## CLEMENS CROSSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Howard County Public School System

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Dear Parents and Families,

On behalf of the staff at Clemens Crossing Elementary School, it is my privilege and honor to welcome you to our school community. Our staff is very excited about the opportunity to partner with you next school year when your child attends Clemens Crossing. We are committed to ensuring that every student is provided with the highest quality education in a safe, engaging and supportive learning environment. To that end, our school staff is working collaboratively with your child's current school to make the transition process as smooth as possible.

As this year unfolds, we want your child to remain engaged in their current school while participating in activities designed to familiarize her/him with Clemens Crossing Elementary School. Further, we invite you to attend a parent information session to be held on January 23, 2018 at Clemens Crossing beginning at 7:00 pm in our cafeteria. At this session, parents will learn valuable information about our school. We ask that children do not attend this orientation since they will have opportunities to visit CCES before school starts in the fall. In addition to the parent information session, please see other planned activities for our incoming students and families.

Event	Location	Date/Time
Parent Information Session	Clemens Crossing ES	January 23 at 7:00 p.m.
Makers Faire/STEM/Math Night	Clemens Crossing ES	January 29 at 6:15 p.m.
Meet & Greet with Administration and PTA	Clemens Crossing ES	February 13 at 6:30 p.m.
International Night	Clemens Crossing ES	March 13 at 6:30 p.m.
Spring Carnival	Clemens Crossing ES	May 15 at 5:00 p.m.
Schoolwide Showcase	Clemens Crossing ES	May 28 at 6:30 p.m.
New Student Visitation Day	Clemens Crossing ES	TBD

A detailed description for each of the above activities can be found on the accompanying page. For additional information about our school, please visit <a href="http://cces.hcpss.org">http://cces.hcpss.org</a>. I also encourage you to follow us on Twitter at <a href="twitter.com/hcpss\_cces">twitter.com/hcpss\_cces</a> and Facebook at <a href="facebook.com/clemenscrossingelementary">facebook.com/clemenscrossingelementary</a>. Shortly, you will also start to receive our Cougar Comments school newsletter by email on Friday mornings. To learn more about our Parent Teacher Association (PTA), visit our PTA website for information, <a href="http://www.clemenscrossingpta.org">http://www.clemenscrossingpta.org</a>.

We look forward to forming a strong partnership with you and we hope to see you at one or more of the events above. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (410) 313-6866 or at edward cosentino@hcpss.org.

Sincerely,

Edward Cosentino, Principal



## **Upcoming Event Descriptions**

**Parent Information Session** – On Thursday, January 23, 2020 we are inviting all incoming Swansfield ES parents to join us at Clemens Crossing Elementary. During this time parents will have an opportunity to meet the staff and administration from Clemens Crossing Elementary School. Parents will also receive valuable information. Topics will include:

Our School Day Student Enrichment Opportunities

Volunteer Information Transportation Information
Our PBIS Program General Questions/Answers

**Makers Faire/STEM/Math Night** – You are invited to join us on Wednesday, January 29 at 6:15 p.m. for our second annual Makers Faire/STEM/Math Night. Come join the hands on fun and learn something new about STEM, Makers Spaces, and Mathematics.

**Meet and Greet with School Administration and PTA** - We will have a meet and greet with school administrators, PTA board members, and PTA committee chairs on Wednesday, February 12 from 6:30pm to 7:00 pm. Snacks and drinks will be provided. You can also stay for our regular PTA meeting at 7:00 pm. The PTA meetings are a great way to find out what's going on in the school and what fun activities we have planned.

**International Night** – Come join us on Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m. for our annual International Night. Celebrate the incredible diversity of Clemens Crossing. Families share food, customs, and traditions from countries related to their family's background.

**PTA Spring Carnival** – Join our community for our annual PTA Spring Carnival. The carnival includes games, inflatables, food trucks, and a lot of fun! The carnival will be on the blacktop and playground starting at 5:00 p.m. on May 15.

**Schoolwide Showcase** – On May 28, we will hold our annual Schoolwide Showcase. Visit students' Gifted and Talented projects from Curricular Extension Units and Instructional Seminars. Enjoy and interact with our many student generated science fair projects on display in the gymnasium. Finally, visit all six grade levels and learn about the incredible projects in each classroom.

**SES Student Visitation** –Students who are being redistricted to Clemens Crossing will have an opportunity to visit our school during the school day. Bus transportation will be provided and there is no fee for this field trip. Students will have an opportunity to meet CCES staff members and become more familiar with Clemens Crossing Elementary School.