



**Linda Parker, Principal**

January 26, 2012

Third quarter is in full swing, and TCAP (the standardized, state mandated test formerly known as CSAP) is just around the corner. Please check the calendar for test window dates. We sincerely appreciate parent efforts to have your students in school during the testing window. A protein based breakfast is highly recommended as it sticks with your child longer and allows them to concentrate better.

In response to ongoing issues on Carlson drive during drop off, you will note that orange cones have been placed on the street where we need you to not stop. Stopping in the prohibited area causes a back-up of the carpool lane and is causing dangerous conditions during drop off. We do ask that you follow the lane into the school drive and drop off in the parking lot as it is much safer for our students to unload in the actual unloading zone. You will see an ongoing increased police presence during carpool as well.

I regret to inform you that we have lost yet another awesome, reliable cross walk parent volunteer because she fears for her safety due to how she has been treated during her crossing guard duties. I am finding this extremely sad as our volunteers are parents, like you, who are here to try and keep all our children safe. I have spoken with other area charter school principals and have discovered that carpool duty has been made mandatory for all families to participate. I am mulling this over for C2E parents as well as I believe walking a mile in each other's shoes, so to speak, may make a huge difference in how you treat one another at drop off and pick up. For now, we do need additional assistance in both morning and afternoon carpool. I invite any and all parents who can spare 20 minutes at either end of the day, to come and help keep the children safe during these tumultuous transition times. Please contact Jayme Nannestad in the front office to sign up to do your part!

On a more positive note, C2E students have had a banner January! I congratulated each of them at our Winter awards assembly yesterday. As we have had a significant absence of discipline referrals this month, I have authorized a dress down day this Friday (tomorrow), January 27 in honor of our student's awesome behavior.

**GO MAMMOTHS!**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads 'Mrs. Parker'.

Linda Parker

Principal

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