

Research Shows...

Studies of children exposed to violence have shown that they can become: "immune" or numb to the horror of violence, imitate the violence they see, and show more aggressive behavior with greater exposure to violence. Some children accept violence as a way to handle problems. Studies have also shown that the more realistic and repeated the exposure to violence, the greater the impact on children. In addition, children with emotional, behavioral and learning problems may be more influenced by violent images.

Children and adolescents can become overly involved and even obsessed with videogames. Spending large amounts of time playing these games can create problems and lead to:

- * poor social skills
- * time away from family time, school-work, and other hobbies
- * lower grades & reading less
- * exercising less & becoming overweight
- * aggressive thoughts & behaviors

Taken from the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychology website: <http://aacap.org>, #91, 3/11

Dates:

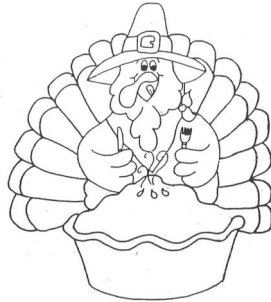
December 6th
PTO/PTA Formation Meeting @ 7 pm
December 12th
Early Dismissal @ 12:50 pm
December 13th
Letters of Intent for interest in school board positions are due
December 17th
1st Trimester Report Cards available for viewing
December 24-January 1st:
Winter Break

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A Recipe for Dressing in Winter



Needed:

- 1 pair of mittens
- 1 warm jacket
- Proper leg covering
- 1 scarf
- 1 hat
- 1 pair of boots

Mix together, label, and apply to your child with love. Send to school or out to play warm and happy! Serves one child all winter!

Please make note of the recipe to the left and follow daily! Students need proper gear to be outside, and being outside is an important part of our curriculum! If they don't have appropriate gear, we will try to find something that will work, but if not, we will be calling home for clothing.

Please note the same expectation applies to middle school students. If they don't have snow pants, they need to have leg coverings that are water resistant and warm.

If you need help outfitting your child, please let Ms. Nalani know. We can help!

Two Reminders from the Student Handbook

With winter weather coming it is imperative that you follow the traffic pattern and merge in a friendly manner as you get past the middle school. To allow for snow clearing we may need to remove the cones, but we need to be confident that traffic patterns will be followed for the safety of everyone.

Please also remember that cars may not be left running unattended. They will be shut off if staff see them running unattended and keys will be placed on the seat.

Winter Holiday Reminders

Cannon River STEM School wishes to honor the diversity of our student population along with recognizing holidays and seasonal events. During the winter season we have chosen to have a festival that celebrates winter in Minnesota. While we do not have gift-giving celebrations during these times, we do provide school-wide and classroom events designed to be fun and mark the season. Join us for Winter Festival on December 12th.

As a school, we discourage gift giving to our teaching staff. We welcome and encourage handwritten notes of appreciation and affirmation to all in our school and broader community. CRSS Winter Festival is a way to create cherished childhood memories for your children that, while different from those you may have experienced, are still special. Snow helps too, so hope for that!

CRSS Students at the 2012 Fall Festival

