## K-PREP TEST RESULTS

by

Brooklynn Hollis

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<th>K-prep results just came out!!</th>
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<td>First, what is K-prep?</td>
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<td>K-prep stands for Kentucky Performance Rating of Educational Progress... A.K.A. end of year tests.</td>
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<th>How were our test scores?</th>
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<td>We got proficient!!!!</td>
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<td>We are a proficient school in a distinguished district.</td>
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<td>Proficient means Camp Ernst students performed in the top 30% of all middle schools in Kentucky.</td>
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<td>There is always room for improvements to be made; we are considered a Focus School. What does that mean? Focus Schools are schools that have room for improvement in specific areas. Focus schools have deficiencies in the academic performance of student sub groups for a number of years.</td>
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## CEMS Chorus Concert

by

Bryn Stephenson

Let’s make some noise! The CEMS Chorus Class is performing on November 6th, in the Cooper auditorium. This includes grades 6th-8th. Anyone and everyone are welcome to come, so be sure to come and watch all your friends. Sixth grade will be performing at 6:00 P.M., while seventh and eighth grades are performing at 8:00 P.M.

The Sixth Grade will be performing: *Firefly, Lullaby Alleluia, Here Rattler Here, and Sarasponda*. The seventh and eighth grades mixed choirs are performing: *Sing the Blues Away, Je Danse La Polka, Kumbayah, and Hey Ho Nobody’s Home*. In addition, the seventh and eighth grade “Women’s Choir” is performing: *A Letter From a Girl to the World, Something Told the Wild Geese, Shake the Papaya Down, and Watu Wote*.

Lastly, the select choir will be singing: *Sing a Song of Sixpence, Fruitcake, An American Salute, and Praise His Holy Name*.

Once again be sure to come and see all of your friends performing and we wish the best of luck to the CEMS Chorus Class!
**TOYS FOR TOTS**

by Kennedy Hammons

Toys for Tots is an organization to help the kids that are less fortunate, and don’t get to have Christmas. You can donate toys to the organization and your homeroom could win a sweatpants day!

To win the sweatpants day you have to be the highest donating homeroom. The homeroom goal is 60 toys.

The drive started October 5th, and will end December 5th. The winning homeroom will wear sweatpants December 19th.

Hopefully you will donate to this wonderful cause!

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**HALLOWEEN DANCE**

by Kaitlyn Richardson

Come to the Camp Ernst Middle School Halloween Dance on October 24th from 7pm to 9pm. This dance is to support the CEMS Cheer Team.

It costs $5.00 and if you want to your picture taken, add another $2.00.

Don’t forget extra money for snacks and drinks!

Wear your costume because there will be a contest!

Have a good time at the Halloween Dance Trailblazers!

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**Clothes Trends**

By: Keegan Kramer

It’s time to look sharp and awesome! My favorite: Hats: snapbacks, and flatbills

Poplar Brand Shirts: Aeropostale, Abercrombie, American Eagle, Nike

Pant Types: Skinny jeans, cargo pants/shorts

Shoes: Lebrons, Nike, Converse, Sperrys, Ugg’s

Socks: Jordan, Dryfit, Adidas
Have you ever been to your locker and not had enough time to get what you need? We know this happens to many students, that is why we believe locker breaks are too short.

Our first reason we believe locker breaks are too short is because students aren’t able to keep their lockers organized. Students have to rush to their locker with no time to clean it out. We go to our lockers, get what we need for one class then rush to the next class. Students easily lose their homework and books in that situation.

Our final reason we believe locker breaks are too short - students never have time to use the restroom or get a drink of water from the water fountain. The teachers want students back to class fast and the bathrooms are all the way down the hall so we can’t use the restroom or do anything in between classes.

So in conclusion this is why we think locker breaks are too short.

“Guardians of the Galaxy” Movie Review by Jaron Cooper

“Guardians of the Galaxy” is one of the best movies this year! It is number 3 on the Marvels movie list which means that it has made the 3rd highest amount of money.

It is a great movie with an unbelievable blend of humor and action. One of the best things about this movie- the characters! Star Lord, Peter Quill, is human; Gamora, one of the daughters of Thanos (an evil alien); Drax, the destroyer of worlds; Rocket, a space creature who looks like a raccoon although he is not; and last, but not least Groot. Groot is an alien that looks like a tree.

The story to this movie is very intriguing. It’s about 5 main characters working together to stop Ronan to save the world.

I highly suggest going to see this movie if you haven’t seen it already. You will need to set aside about 2 hours, but it is worth every minute.

If you don’t like sci-fi stories or movies, this may not be the movie for you.

I give it 8 out of 10.
What’s New in Technology?

by Michaela Cline

There are a lot of new things in Technology. Here are just a few:

Though Google looks like it has built everything: from internet browsers to cell phones, many people think they are planning to tackle a big part of the software market: the Operating System.

A gesture recognition system that recognizes your hand movements: holding a flat palm in front of a screen pauses a movie or a song, and your fist can be used as a pointing system.

Amazon Prime Air can deliver the packages you ordered online in less than 30 minutes using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles.

Axent Wear are headphones with cat ears on top and the headphones change songs according to your mood. The ears can also be used as fully functional speakers.

Interview Time!!!

Mrs. Heist, Art Teacher
by
Laura Oh

Q. What is your favorite part about teaching?
A. I love Blazer Time and the wall murals!

Q. What’s your favorite hobby?
A. Painting

Q. What’s your favorite book?
A. The Help

Q. Do you like working here?
A. Yes, I have worked at 3 middle schools and I like this one the best!

Q. Out of all the projects you have done and assigned which one do you like best?
A. I like cubism.

Q. Do you have any pets?
A. No, I don’t have the time.

Q. How long have you been a teacher?
A. 26 years

Q. Is teaching difficult?
A. Yes!

Q. How did you become the CEMS art teacher?
A. Mr. McArtor took a chance!

Q. Do like being part of the staff?
A. Yes, I love the staff!
Mrs. Durfee
by

Q: How long have you been teaching?
   A: 25 years
Q: What made you want to teach here?
   A: I like working with kids and I love math!
Q: What was your favorite subject when you were a kid?
   A: Reading
Q: What is your favorite thing to teach in math?
   A: Geometry
Q: Is being a teacher hard or easy?
   A: Challenging
Q: Are 6th graders respectful to you?
   A: Yes
Q: What is your favorite thing about being a teacher?
   A: When my students get it.
Q: If you could change anything about teaching what would it be?
   A: Less paperwork and more time to teach.
Q: Which school did you like better this school or the other school you taught?
   A: This school!

Mr. Black
by
Ethan Green

Q: What family are you in?
   A: Navigators.
Q: How long have you been teaching?
   A: 9 years.
Q: What is your favorite subject?
   A: Science.
Q: What is your favorite curriculum in that subject?
   A: Ecology.
Q: Are 8th graders respectful to you?
   A: Yes.
Q: What is your thing about being a teacher?
   A: Working and helping students learn.
Q: If you could change one thing about being a teacher what would it be?
   A: To have more time to develop my craft.
Q: Would you say being a teacher is hard or easy?
   A: Hard but I enjoy every moment.
Q: Would you rather teach 6th, 7th, or 8th?
   A: 8th.
Q: What subject would you say is easier?
   A: All of them have their challenges.

Young Writers are writing their novels! Show up every Thursday for loads of fun!

Art Club is doing a great job on the murals on the walls. They are making clay statues and figures.

Spanish Club is off to a great start making crafts about Spanish culture.

Ski Club
If you are just looking to join the CEMS Ski Club as they visit Perfect North Slopes, the total will be $230. This covers all fees and rentals! The Ski Club meets 4 times this year and go to Perfect North Slopes.

Chess Club
The meetings will start October 27th from 2:30-4:00. They are planning to be in 2 local tournaments.

Academic Team:
The academic team is doing very well this year. So far they are undefeated.

National Jr Historical Society
Meets twice monthly on Tuesdays.
7th Grade Q&A
Interviewer Chloe Shearer
Questions answered by Alyssa Sansone

Q: Who is your favorite teacher?
A: Mr. Franklin

Q: Is 7th grade a big jump from 6th grade?
A: Yes!!

Q: Do you have a lot more homework in 7th grade than you did in 6th grade?
A: Not really. Just every day in math, and some in science, like 6th grade.

Q: Who is your favorite U.A. teacher?
A: It was Mr. Timmers

Q: What is your favorite subject?
A: Math

Q: Do you buy or pack your lunch?
A: Buy!

Q: Do you get good grades/bad grades or average?
A: Good grades

Q: Do you think behavioral issues are a problem in 7th grade?
A: Yes!!!

Q: Do you cause distractions in class?
A: No.

Q: What subject are you best at?
A: Language Arts or Math

Interviewer Helena McVay
I interviewed Tiffany R. Hoskins

Who is your favorite celebrity?
Bethany Mota.

Do you like CEMS?
Yes

What is your favorite subject?
Language Arts and Social Studies

Where did you go for fifth grade?
Stephens Elementary.

When were you born?
July-9-2003

Are you in any school clubs or sports?
Yes, Choir and Ski Club.

Do you play any sports? Yes.

Which one?
All-Star Cheerleading.

Who are your best friends?
Paula J., Anna L., Alex W., Mallory S., Chloe D., and Lauren S.

What is your favorite TV show?
“The Voice”

What are your hobbies?
Hanging out with my friend, singing, writing, traveling, and eating.
Eighth grade student interview- Paige Hillenbrand  
by Dallas Jones

1. What team are you in?  
   - Conquistadors

2. What teachers do you like?  
   - Mrs. Torrence and Mr. Musgrave

3. What is your favorite UA class?  
   - Gym

4. What school did you go to in fifth grade?  
   - Burlington Elementary

5. Who is your best friend?  
   - Jessica

6. Do you have a top or bottom locker?  
   - Top

7. What is your favorite school lunch?  
   - Nachos

8. How old are you?  
   - Thirteen

9. What is your favorite book?  
   - “I Funny”

10. What is your favorite animal?  
    - Dog

We hope you enjoyed our first edition of the student newsletter. While some of the activities have already taken place, we are working harder to try and stay on top of current events at Camp Ernst Middle School.

Thank You!  
Mrs. Aguinaldo’s Blazer Time Class