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## Save the Date:

- Monday, May 16, 2016—JCC volunteers for 5th grade Campus Tours
- Tuesday, May 17, 2016—JCC Volunteer @ FLM Field Day (Pre-K)
- Wednesday, May 18, 2016—JCC Volunteer @ FLM Field Day (Kindergarten)
- Thursday, May 19, 2016— CMS Field Day
- Friday, May 20, 2016—CMS Awards Day

## CMS Parent Survey

CMS is asking for your participation in our Community Engagement Survey. This survey is used to meet the local evaluation requirement referred to as the community engagement component of HB 5. The community engagement requirement is an opportunity for our district to showcase areas of excellence and success as well as recognize areas in need of improvement and set future goals valued in our community. We would greatly appreciate your help in this process. Just go to our CMS website and scroll down to 'News and Announcements' and click on 'Community Engagement Engagement Survey' to complete survey.

## Change One

Our fundraiser was a success. "The purpose of this fundraiser was to provide equipment for our students, so they can engage in more activities. They can also have more varieties of sports to participate in like basketball, soccer, and football during their lunch breaks."

- Mrs. Cloudy

## Field Day, Awards Day & Early Release

CMS annual Field Day will be on campus, Thursday, May 19.

On Friday, May 20, CMS will have the annual Awards Program. Sixth grade program will be from 8:15 until 9:15; Seventh grade will be from 9:30 until 10:30; Eighth grade will be from 10:45 until 11:30.

Our lunch schedule will be altered due to early release. Sixth graders will have

lunch at 11:05. Seventh grade lunch will be at 11:30, and eighth grade lunch will be at noon.

Students will be released three hours early with dismissal at 12:23 PM.

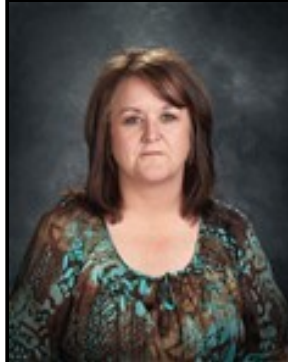


## Meet the Staff



**Cindy Tillery** is the school counselor of CMS. She attended Stephen F. Austin State University. She taught for 10 years: 2 years taught, 2 years as a officer at SFA, and 6 years as school counselor at Nac High & Center

Middle. She's been married to her husband Dewis for 32 years. They have 2 boys who are Aggie Engineers married to 2 nurses. Their kids are awesome and they have a dog named Dazy Duke. Her favorite quote is, "Don't put yourself in that position." -Dewis Tillery. Mrs. Tillery shared this interesting thing about herself: She found her natural parents, but her DNA doesn't match theirs! Her one word to describe CMS: magnificent.



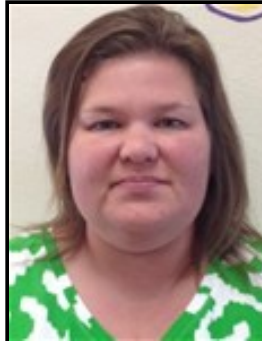
**Toni Ford** is the 8th grade math teacher at CMS. She attended Stephen F. Austin State University. She taught for 31 years: 24 at Center

ISD and 7 at Diboll ISD. She has a son, Jack, and a daughter, Carrie. She had her first grandchild, Brylee. Her favorite quote is, "If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way." She says she played the piano at her church. Her one word to describe CMS: excellent.



**Mary Hockenberry** is the 6th grade science teacher at CMS. She attended Texas A&M for her Bachelor's Degree and SFA for her Master of Education's degree. She

taught for 18 years: 4 years in Huntington, 5 years at SFA, and 9 years with Center. She has been married to James for almost 18 years. They have 2 children, Haley and Grant. Her favorite quote is, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." -Nelson Mandela. Her interesting fact about herself: She is related to Clyde Barrow. Her one word to describe CMS: outstanding.



**Laura Hightower** is the 6th grade reading teacher at CMS. She attended Stephen F. Austin. She has taught for 16 years: 13 years for 1st grade in Diboll, 1 year for

2nd grade in Diboll, and 2 years in Center. She is married and has 2 boys. She and her husband own a chicken farm, 6 horses, 5 cows, and a lamb. Her favorite quote is, "You must always remember... you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." - Christopher Robin. She likes to sing and dance. Her one word to describe CMS: rockin'.

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Jake Henson is the principal of CMS. He attended Stephen F. Austin State University. He has been teaching for 16 years. He is married and has 3 children. They are all boys, ages 4, 10, and 12. His favorite quote is, "People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care." -Mark Twain. He started his career in education as a teacher/coach at CMS. His one word to describe CMS: awesome.



Felicia Cloudy is the assistant principal of CMS. She attended Stephen F. Austin State University. She has been in education for 21 years. Her husband is a pastor. She has 4 sons who are young men that she is super proud of: DeNorris (wife, DeTracia), Marlin Jr., Alex, and Cameron, and she has one grandson, DeCamrik. Her favorite quote is, "You are free to choose, but you are not free from the consequences of your choice." She shared with us that she was a Center High School basketball player. Her one word to describe CMS: awesome.



## Cheer Teams for 2016-17 School Year



**8th Grade**

*From Left to Right: Briana Gonzalez, Makenna Gipson, Calizjah Johnson, Alana Parker, Breanna Castillo, Taylor Myers, Skylar Causey, Brianna Jones, Avery Snell, Baili Proffitt, MaKaiya Hubbard, Ashlyn Creech*



**7th Grade**

*From Left to Right: Camryn Crouch, Kennedy Bush, Jayla Caraway, Katelyn Duvon, Jayla Moore, Taylor Horton, Ja'Kayla Parks, Tatum Mettaufer, Kaitlin Williams, Chloe Eaves, Lanie Hooks, Ally Jones*

## CMS Dance



Center Middle School recently had Dance Tryouts for the 2016-2017 school year. The 7th Grade CMS Dancers for the upcoming school year are Gracie Whisenant, Mia Mahan, Jakievia Johnson, Abby Sneed, Paris Bryant, and Emilee Elliott. The 8th Grade CMS Dancers for the upcoming school year are Stefany Moreno, Kaitlyn Bailey, Kristen Orsak, Cecily Gibson, Malaney Cooper, Alexandria Patton, Shianne Shofner, Victoria Lee, Deasijah Ikner, Amiyah Williams, Faith Langford, and Amari Daniels. Congratulations to the new CMS dancers!

## Twirl



Center Middle School held Twirl Tryouts for the 2016-2017 school year. The new CMS Twirlers include Oderay Figueroa, Maria Alvarado, Jackie Gonzalez, Kayden Davis, Rebekah McGhen, Abby Cooper, Alyssa White, Allison Stuever, Sarah Scull, and Nicole Aguilar. Congrats to the new CMS Twirlers!

## UIL BAND CONTEST



In April, our Center Middle School band, also referred to as the 'Pride of Shelby County', travelled to Carthage for UIL, and did a phenomenal job. 7th grade performed at Carthage High School on April 12, and received one of the highest scores out of the 7th grade portion of the contest.

More recently, the sixth grade band competed at Solo and Ensemble in Carthage. Fifty two band members competed, bringing home 83 medals.



## UIL BAND CONTEST



8th grade competed on April 13th, and deservedly redeemed themselves from last year's contest. 8th grade band scored the highest division in the entire Junior High UIL contest. The Center Middle School band was one out of the two bands to earn a sweepstakes and the only one to receive straight ones both on stage and in sight reading. Not only are we proud of them, we are also loving the addition to our sweepstakes collection.



## Gamer's Club



## Gamer Palooza

April 29, 2016-CMS Gamer's Club recently held their first tournament, Gamer Palooza. The participants had to compete and survive through each round, for a total of 3 rounds, in order to make it to the Finals. Only 2 survived to make it to the finals: Zac Denby (Left) and Zack Massey (Right). They went head to head in a grueling game of NCAA Football. The winner was the survivor of Super Smash Brothers, Bull Riding, racing through the maze of tracks in Mario Kart, and finally gained the most yards in NCAA Football. Zac Denby was crowned the Grand Champion Gamer. Runner-up was Zack Massey. This was the first year of Gamer's Club at CMS. Sponsors are Tabitha Stone and Gladys Andrews.

