

# 2023-2024 Cottage School Program

Weekly News--Week of April 29

It always seems impossible until it's done.

~ Nelson Mandela

Four more weeks. We're close. Several warm days have given us a taste of summer, an itch of the upcoming break. And last weekend's storm reminded us, as Colorado loves to do in April, to stay patient. While we await warmer months and the end of another school year, let's stay committed to the habits, routines, and goals that will help us finish strong. The greatest test of our perseverance often comes in the final stretch when we're most tempted to give in. And then we cross the proverbial finish line and breathe a sigh of relief, grateful to have made it. The finish line is in sight!

Have a great start to May!

In Partnership,

Justin Peterson

Cottage School Program and College Pathways Principal

[jpeterson1@asd20.org](mailto:jpeterson1@asd20.org)

(719) 487-2000

---

## ***Announcements***

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT-A-GLANCE:**

#### **May 2**

- ALL THURSDAY STUDENTS please bring a lunch from home. There will be no hot lunch served on this day because East Elementary does not have school. Additionally, carpool will go very quickly on Thursday since CSP will have the only elementary students on campus.

#### **May 3**

- TCA Carnival sponsored by North Junior High. More info below.

#### **May 10**

- Save the date! CSP Family Day at Black Forest Regional Park (10 AM - 1 PM). A standalone communication was sent on Friday, April 26th. Please let CSP administration know if you didn't receive it.

### **May 13-16**

- Last days of regular instruction. This is a denim week (denim bottoms and uniform top) for all staff and students!

### **May 23**

- Field Day and Last Day of School! More info below about what the week of May 20-24 looks like for CSP students.

### **NEW AND STILL INFORMATION:**

**1. APRIL LUNCH MENU** can be found [here](#). **MAY LUNCH MENU** can be found [here](#).

**2. TCA CARNIVAL – Friday, May 3, 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM** TCA Junior High proudly presents -TCA Day Carnival! Come one! Come all! Proceeds of the event will benefit St. Jude's Hospital. Click [here](#) for more info. Pre-Sale Ticket on sale [here](#).

**3. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FIELD DAY - May 23, 2024.** Please click [here](#) for more information and to sign up to help run a station at our annual CSP Field Day in May.

**4. FIELD DAY AND LAST DAY OF SCHOOL** There will be no regular CSP classes May 20-22. All CSP students will participate in Field Day on Thursday, May 23rd. This is a mandatory attendance day for our students and our official last day of school. If you student will be absent, please call our front office to excuse the absence. All end-of-year paperwork (such as Participation Reports and Report Cards) will be sent home on this day. Look for information from grade level newsletters regarding what needs to be worn (i.e. athletic bottoms and a specific color of shirt) for Field Day.

---

## ***Prior (but still relevant!) Information***

**1. Our SilverGraphics Online Art Shop is Still Open!** Find the perfect gift for any special occasion, preserve a memory of your child's school year, and proudly display your child's art on beautiful keepsakes. You can still order beautiful personalized products featuring your child's artwork through our SilverGraphics Art Fundraiser. Our **ONLINE ART SHOP** is open through **June 30th**. Now's your chance to place additional orders. You can also **UPLOAD NEW ART & PHOTOGRAPHS!** Products will ship direct to you (or whatever address you enter at Checkout), with shipping fees added. Your order will continue to support our school.

To place your order:

1. Go to: [www.silvergraphics.com/shop](http://www.silvergraphics.com/shop)
2. Enter our School Access Code: ArtCottage23

Contact Michelle Dalrymple at [mdalrymple@asd20.org](mailto:mdalrymple@asd20.org) if you have any questions.

### **2. TCA SUBSTITUTES NEEDED!**

Types of jobs available: Teacher, Tutor, Office/Kiosk/Health Room, Test Proctoring  
Requirements--

- TEACHER: Bachelor's degree in any subject **or** HS Diploma + CDE Substitute Teacher Authorization
- PARAPROFESSIONAL: High School Diploma or GED
- Office/Kiosk/Health Room/: High School Diploma/GED and additional training in the specific area
- Proctoring: Bachelor's degree in any subject and additional training in the specific area

To apply, please visit TCA's employment site at [here](#) and submit an application for Substitute.

**3. CSP ART NEEDS** - Parents, if you have an extra skein of yarn and would like to donate it to the art room, we would be grateful.

---

## LIBRARY NEWS!

Hello CSP Families!

Did you know that you have access to the East Campus Library and not just your students? You can come and check out materials (4 items per account) and have them for 2 weeks! Parents are welcome as soon as 8:00am until 8:20am. If you are here during school hours, feel free to stop by, however, if Mrs. Hinkin has a class with her in the library then we ask that you wait until after school or come back when she isn't with a class. The library is also open from 3:30pm-4:00pm.

Your student is also welcome to come by and checkout books! Without a parent, your student(s) can come in at 8:05am until 8:15am OR at the end of the day. However, we do ask that your student spends no more than 5min as we have to make sure the library isn't a "holding" area for late carpoolers, but rather an environment of finding great books and interacting with the library staff to help them find great books!

You also have online access to audio books and e-books. Checkout our library page <https://co50010872.schoolwires.net/Page/83> for more information. If you have any questions, contact the East Campus Librarian: Mrs. Hinkin, [ahinkin@asd20.org](mailto:ahinkin@asd20.org)

---

## ***SNOW DAY AND 2-HOUR DELAY POLICY***

Winter weather will undoubtedly impact the school week at some point in the coming months, so I wanted to send out CSP's snow day and 2-hour delay policy. As a reminder, TCA follows D20's delay and closure status.

### **SNOW DAYS**

CSP will follow Academy School District 20 closure status. When ASD20 administration cancels school due to inclement weather, several radio/TV stations will be contacted to broadcast the closure or delay. TCA uses the Blackboard Connect™ service to notify the TCA community in the event of a delay or closure COTTAGE SCHOOL PROGRAM DOES NOT MAKE UP SNOW DAYS.

### **2-HOUR DELAYS**



Periodically throughout the winter, school will be delayed two hours due to inclement weather. Students may wear blue denim on these days. Hot lunch will still be available on delay days, or students may bring a sack lunch. All students should bring a snack and water bottle. Carpool as usual.

2-Hour Delay Schedule:

**Grades 1-6:** 10:15 - 3:30 pm

**Kindergarten:** AM class—10:15 - 12:30 pm

---

## ***Typing Pal Log-In Instructions (Grades 3-6)***

Typing Pal is a learn-to-type program that we offer at no charge to all of our upper elementary students. There is no requirement to participate; it's simply something families may use as part of their home school curricula if students desire to learn/master basic typing skills. Log-in instructions are below.

1. Go to <https://clascott.typingpal.com>
2. Each student's **user name** is the first letter of his/her first name (as given in Infinite Campus; not a nickname) followed by the student's last name (i.e. shille would be the username for Stefani Hille).
3. The **password** is identical for each student—*titans*—UNLESS a student was with us previously and changed his/her account to a unique password. Once students are logged in, they may change their password to something unique to them.
4. Questions or trouble logging in? Contact Stef Hille at [shille@asd20.org](mailto:shille@asd20.org).



### **TCA Cottage School Program**

**Website:** [tcatitans.org](http://tcatitans.org)

**Location:** [12201 Cross Peak View, Colorado Springs, CO, USA](https://www.google.com/maps/place/12201+Cross+Peak+View,+Colorado+Springs,+CO,+USA)

**Phone:** (719) 487-2000



**College Pathways**

College is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters