

# Cub Community News - 11: Issue 2

Welcome to our Cub Community Newsletter. We send periodic updates to keep our community informed and involved. This newsletter is posted to [Our Important Announcements](#) on [our website](#) and sent directly to families through email.

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## In This Issue

Welcome to our community newsletter. We hope that you find the information timely and helpful. Topics in this edition of Cub Community News include:

- **School Updates and Information**
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## School Updates and Information

### Advisory Classes Compete in Kindness Challenge

Each week students in our leadership class promote activities to engage students in our school community. One of the challenges is contributions for a holiday food and hat drive. We hope you can help your students contribute to our Kindness Challenge activities. Advisory classes that meet their goals will be entered into a drawing to win a pizza, donut, or ice cream party (class choice) on the week of December 9.

Ask your student more about our Kindness Challenge activities.

### Clayton Family Food Drive

Dear Families and Friends,

Below you will find a list of items to donate to our Clayton Family Food Drive. The Meal Kit items will be used to supply our families with holiday meals. The items on the right will help our students stretch their food resources at home. Please consider attending our Bingo Night on Thursday November 21, from 5:30-7:00. All profits from this event will go to our food pantry and holiday food drive. If a family would like to donate a whole turkey, please contact [Mrs. Hettinger](#).

We are also looking for donations of warm hats, gloves, and socks to provide for our families through the winter. Please consider picking up an extra item during your holiday shopping. All donations can be turned in to the front office or to advisory teachers.

Happy Holidays!

Clayton Student Leadership

- Meal Kit Items	- Food Pantry Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- *1 bag/box of instant Stuffing mix</li><li>- *1 can/box Chicken broth</li><li>- *2 packets or 1 can/jar Gravy</li><li>- *1 can Cranberries</li><li>- *1 box/2 packs Instant Mashed Potatoes</li><li>- *2 cans Corn</li><li>- *1 box of Cake mix</li><li>- *1 container of Frosting (Vanilla or chocolate)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Cuties (oranges)</li><li>- One box/bag of rice</li><li>- 2 cans of beans</li><li>- 1 box/bag plain pasta</li><li>- Instant Oatmeal</li><li>- Cereal</li><li>- 1 jar of juice or box of juice boxes</li></ul>

### [iReady Middle of the Year Diagnostic Coming Soon](#)

It is time for our students to show us the progress they have made this school year. The Middle of the Year (MOY) iReady Diagnostic test will help us understand how your child's hard work has translated into academic gains this year. Students will complete the Reading portion of the diagnostic starting December 4th and the Math portion starting on December 11th. We encourage students to try their best and show what they know on the tests, not only to celebrate their learning, but to plan for their second semester schedule. Students scoring below grade level are assigned an extra support class. If students improve their scores, they may be switched out of an extra support class for one of our enrichment courses.

There is more information about iReady in our data point below.

### [Winter Weather Arrived Too Soon](#)

We received a surprise blast of wintery weather last week and it looks like more could be on the way. School delays and closures make it hard on families' daily routines and our district works hard to predict and communicate changes to the normal schedule. Our community receives updates through the same system that you receive this update. We also change our incoming phone message and post information to our website to help spread the weather alerts. News media outlets also carry the news of our weather delays and closures. We appreciate your patience and flexibility during inclement weather.

Here are important websites that provide additional information:

- When there is a weather delay:
  - our daily schedule changes. Our [Clayton / Bell Schedule](#) webpage lists our special bell schedules. School start time and bus schedules are delayed exactly two hours from the originally scheduled time.
  - bus stop locations can change. The [Home Page - ELink Special Stops](#) provides a list of Winter Bus Stop locations.
- If you would like more information on our district's procedures for school closures and delays, visit the [Transportation / Inclement Weather Procedures](#) webpage.



## Community Connectedness Information and Events

### Student Connection

#### Winter Wonderland Dance

Please join us for our Winter Wonderland Dance on December 6 from 5:30-7:00 in the Clayton Gym. Door close at 6:00pm - no exceptions. We will have a DJ and a snack bar with goodies for sale. If you would like to sign up to chaperone, please [sign up here](#) to chaperone or donate to our snack bar. All proceeds from the dance go to support our student rewards.



### Family Connection

#### Newsletter Date Change

Traditionally, we have tried to get our newsletter to you over the weekend on Sunday evenings. We have missed our own deadline the past two editions. We have decided to change our distribution date to meet district communication expectations and be more consistent on our delivery to you. We are moving the distribution date to Thursdays. We hope that this new day of the week will work well for all of us to stay updated and informed.

#### Pizza and Bingo Night

Please join us for our annual Pizza and Bingo Night. All proceeds go to supporting our Clayton Family Food Drive. The cost is \$10 for pizza, soda and a book of bingo cards. \$5 with a food donation to our Clayton Food Drive. Please see the list above for our most needed items. \$5 for an extra book of games.



**Bake Sale!**

**Fun prizes!**

**Clayton  
Food Drive**

### Clayton Data Point

In each of our Cub Community News editions, we will include a data point from our school. It could be related to our general demographics, student achievement and assessment, school programs and services or school goals.



iReady provides us a lot of information student progress. The diagnostic windows are the points of the school year that offer us the most information because we can compare student scores during the same school year. After the upcoming Middle of the School Year (MOY) diagnostic, we will be able to tell student progress toward annual goals and stretch goals as well as students' projected proficiency on our Smarter Balanced Assessments (SBA; state test) that students take in the fourth quarter.

This is how students scored on our Beginning of the Year (BOY) diagnostic:

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*Reading:*

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- *Mid or Above Grade Level = 17%*
  - *Early On Grade Level = 14%*
  - *One Grade Level Below = 18%*
  - *Two Grade Levels Below = 13%*
  - *Three or More Grade Levels Below = 38%*
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*Math:*

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- *Mid or Above Grade Level = 7%*
  - *Early On Grade Level = 14%*
  - *One Grade Level Below = 29%*
  - *Two Grade Levels Below = 15%*
  - *Three or More Grade Levels Below = 34%*
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## Calendar & Events

Stay connected with our Cub Community. Here is what is happening:

- **11/21:** Boys Basketball Game v. Desert Skies Middle School @ Clayton – 7th Home; 8th Away; Games at 2:45(A) & 3:45p(B)
- **11/21:** Girls Soccer Game v. Desert Skies Middle School @ Clayton (Game at 3:00p)
- **11/21:** Family Pizza and Bingo Night (5:30-7:00p)

- **11/25:** Boys Basketball Game v. Sparks Middle School @ Clayton – 8th Home; 7th Away; Games at 2:45(A) & 3:45p(B)
- **11/25:** Girls Soccer Game @ Sparks Middle School (Game at 3:00p)
- **11/27-29:** Thanksgiving Break – No School for Students and Staff
- **12/3:** Boys Basketball Game v. Vaughn Middle School @ Clayton – 7th Home; 8th Away; Games at 2:45(A) & 3:45p(B)
- **12/3:** Girls Soccer Game v. Vaughn Middle School @ Clayton (Game at 3:00p)
- **12/4-6:** iReady Reading Diagnostic
- **12/5:** Boys Basketball Game v. Pine Middle School @ Clayton – 8th Home; 7th Away; Games at 2:45(A) & 3:45p(B)
- **12/5:** Girls Soccer Game v. Pine Middle School @ Pine Middle School (Game at 3:00p)
- **12/6:** Winter Wonderland Dance (5:30-7:00p; Doors close at 6:00p)
- **12/9:** Boys Basketball Game v. Cold Springs Middle School @ Clayton – 7th Home; 8th Away; Games at 2:45(B) & 3:45p(A)
- **12/9:** Girls Soccer Game v. Cold Springs Middle School @ Clayton (Game at 3:00p)
- **12/11-13:** iReady Math Diagnostic
- **12/9:** Boys Basketball Game v. Traner Middle School @ Clayton – 8th Home; 7th Away; Games at 2:45(B) & 3:45p(A)
- **12/9:** Girls Soccer Game v. Traner Middle School @ Traner Middle School (Game at 3:00p)
- **12/16:** Boys Basketball Game v. Dilworth Middle School @ Clayton – 8th Home; 7th Away; Games at 2:45(B) & 3:45p(A)
- **12/16:** Girls Soccer Game v. Dilworth Middle School @ Clayton (Game at 3:00p)
- **12/20:** Teacher Workday – No School for Students
- **12/23/2024-1/3/2025:** Winter Break - No School for Students and Staff
- **1/6/2025:** School Resumes for Staff and Students

## Contact Us

We are always here to help. Please contact us with your questions.

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