



The Florida Flyer

June 2025

Instructional Focus/Learning Targets

Literature: This month, students have continued to engage with our read aloud of *Behind Rebel Lines* by Seymour Reit, which tells the fictionalized story of Emma Edmonds, a Canadian-born girl who, disguised as a man, enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War to fight for freedom and gather information behind enemy lines. We have deepened our learning by connecting this historical fiction to the real-life events of the drummer boys at Shiloh, and also composing a Civil War-era creative writing piece. Students have been diligently reading their Independent Novel and will complete their creative Independent Novel Project to demonstrate their comprehension of the text and its characters, themes, setting, and conflict. Additionally, students have been completing reflective writing to prepare for our Student Led Conferencing! We hope to see you there so your child can showcase their quality work with pride and professionalism!

Math: The instructional learning targets of the CSA middle school math curriculum focus on developing students' proficiency in key mathematical areas such as ratios, geometry, algebraic expressions, and statistics, while fostering critical thinking, problem-solving, and real-world application skills. The curriculum is designed to prepare students for high school math and beyond by encouraging a deep understanding of mathematical concepts.

Social Studies: This term, students will continue their journey through America's history by learning about the Civil War era. Students will analyze events leading up to the war, major battles and events during the war, as well as the Reconstruction time period. Students will also analyze the relationships between free and slave-holding states, as well as the policies and consequences of slavery and early attempts to abolish it. Finally, students will compare and contrast America before and after the Civil War. The unit will conclude with an oral or written assessment.

Advisory Program:

This month, our Advisory has focused on what it means to have and use a Growth Mindset. This perspective relies on Optimism to tell oneself: "I am capable of doing challenging things" or "I can try a new strategy to help me understand this concept better" or "Mistakes help me learn and improve." Framed within the context of using the growth mindset to achieve one's dreams, students reflected on how they can shift their thinking and words to achieve their goals and unlock their fullest potential!

Summer Athletic Opportunities:

This summer we are excited to provide many opportunities for our budding athletes to practice and learn some amazing athletic skills through summer camps! From Volleyball to Cheer, Soccer, and more, students will be able to participate in some fun experiences. Please visit www.csaschool.org/summer-camp-1 for more information and to sign up!

Third-Year Reception:

The middle school team is very excited that we can celebrate our third-year students with the Third-Year Reception. The special event will take place on Thursday, June 5th at 6 pm. Our staff and students look forward to this annual tradition and are looking forward to inviting families to share this special moment in time 😊

A few important notes:

Please email me 3 -5 photos of your child from throughout the years to be included in a slide show - EVERYONE loves to see baby pictures :) I also LOVE seeing pictures that include more than one student in our advisory - some of our students have been friends since KINDERGARTEN!

This event is formal, so we ask that students adhere to the following guidelines for their attire:

- A suit with a jacket and tie or dress slacks with a dress shirt and tie.
- A dress or skirt (with appropriate length), or dress slacks with a dressy blouse. Please no spaghetti straps or strapless garments without a sweater).
- Dress shoes (open-toed sandals are fine, but no flip flops or tennis shoes that do not follow our dress code policy).

Student-Led Conferences:

As a culmination of a year of learning, students have been preparing for our upcoming Student-Led Conferences on June 9. They have set goals, developed self-directed learning skills, and taken an active role in shaping their educational journey. After gathering evidence of their learning throughout the year, each student has created a portfolio highlighting their growth and accomplishments. To culminate this process, students will invite their parents or guardians to review their work and reflections on **Monday, June 9th**.

VARIETY SHOW:

Calling all performers! CSAMS will be holding a Variety Show on the last day of school, **June 19th**! More information to come!

Library Due Dates:

- All items checked out through the CSAMS Library need to be checked in by **Thursday June 12th**.

CSPA/CSAMS Spring Musical Concert:

- Our middle school and high school choirs and our honors chorale concert will take place on Wednesday, **June 4th at the Hartland Performing Arts Center** (next door to Target in Hartland). This choir concert will start at **7:00pm**. Arrival time information and permission slips for those that will be arriving early will be provided in the upcoming weeks.

YEARBOOK DISTRIBUTION:

Our 2024 - 2025 yearbooks will be arriving this month! Students will receive their yearbook on our picnic day, **June 18th**. If you have any questions on if you have ordered a yearbook, please contact Ms. Kowalczyk (kkowalczyk@csaschool.org)

Advisory Breakfast Party

On Friday, June 6th, we are hosting a BREAKFAST party in our Advisory to celebrate the end of the school year. Please use this link or the one I sent in your email, to sign up to donate items:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0944A9A92AA4F49-56935292-florida#/>

Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, June 4: Spring Choir Concert at Hartland Performing Arts Center, 7 pm
- Thursday, June 5: Third Year Reception at CSAMS Gym 6 pm
- Friday, June 6: Florida Advisory End of Year Breakfast Party
- Monday, June 9: Student Led Conferences 4:00pm-5:30pm
- Thursday, June 12: All Library materials are due!
- Wednesday, June 18: School Picnic Day
 - CSAMS/Sentry Spirit Wear Day!
 - Bring sunscreen/sunglasses, a water bottle, a towel, etc.
- Thursday, June 19: Last Day of School for Students! Have a happy, healthy summer!
 - Variety Show
 - Third Year Clap Out (time TBA)

PICTURE PAGE: featuring "Chalk the Walk"

