



We have completed another school year! Thank you for a wonderful year of exploring other cultures and striving to meet expectations.

The International Festival was a success with lots of compliments for the artifacts and information shared. Our ambassadors engaged with the visitors and scholars who visited the gallery.

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Renewal in the Optional Program is not automatic!! The renewal application is available through your PowerSchool portal. The renewal is available for Craigmont Middle and Craigmont High School only. If you have not submitted your scholar's renewal and need assistance, please reach out to Ms. Biniakewitz at biniakewitzee@scsk12.org.



Shout out to the CMS Band. They competed in the Battle of the Bands and sounded AMAZING!!



2021 – 2022

Quarter 4 Highlights

Optional Scholar Newsletter



In March, Kaniya Hicks(6) and Zionn'a Smith(6) took us to Canada. Scholars learned a few highlights about Canada. We also learned that the Canadians celebrate Irish Heritage Month in March (not just

one day - St. Patrick's Day)! We also learned about Victoria Day.

The maple leaf can be found on their flag. Maple syrup is one of their leading exports. Scholars tasted maple candy, Canadian maple syrup, blueberry juice, and Canada Dry ginger ale.



Congratulations to our 8th grade Optional Scholars. Wishing you the best as you continue your education adventure!

Taniya Allen
Seth Chaney
Travis Collins
Christopher Covington
Sophie Delgado
Jay'Lyn Dotson
Moriah Faulkner
Genesis Fondren
Terrial Griffin
Samayah Hammond
Teirria Holmes
Umari'yn Johnson-Morris
Addyson Kimbrough
Kenya Lopez Herrera
Daniela Mascote
Christie Mitchell
Fallou Ndiaye
Brice Robinson
Aldrich Solomon
Laci-Rian Southward
Debra Taylor
Cody Walton
Hailey Washington
Rachael Williams



May 18 was our International Festival!
We celebrated 4 countries.

6th grade explored Tanzania. 7th grade explored Saudi Arabia. 8th grade explored the Netherlands. Students throughout the school also explored Ghana, the celebrated Memphis in May country for 2022. Scholars shared information about the culture, geography, history, and places of each country. We received so many compliments from those that visited our festival. CMS scholars did an AMAZING job celebrating these countries!!

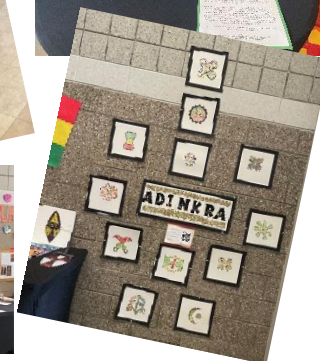
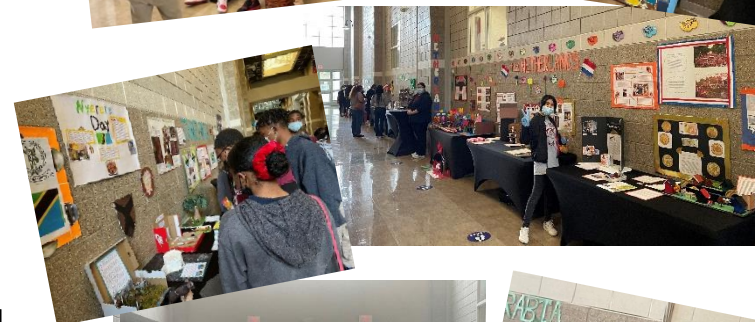
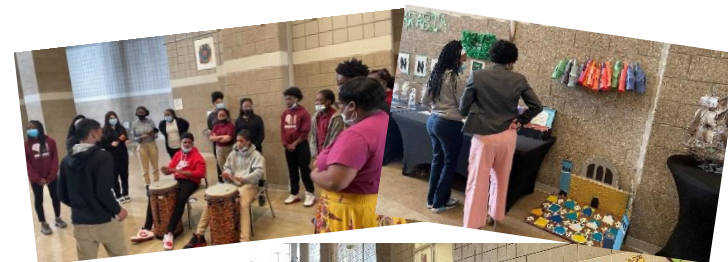
The choir and orchestra scholars celebrated with us. The choir performed selections from Ghana and the orchestra performed a traditional folk selection from the Netherlands.

Each country had a taste or take. Scholars received a Tanzanian flag when visiting Tanzania. In Saudi Arabia, scholars tasted hummus. Stroopwafel was the taste for the Netherlands. One of Ghana's largest exports is the cocoa bean used in making chocolate. Scholars tasted chocolate from Ghana and made comparisons to the chocolate that is produced in America. The visitors and scholars of CMS enjoyed the International Festival 2022!

Addyson Kimbrough was our travel guide for April. She took us to Finland and Sweden. We learned about the geography of both countries. Did you know that Finland has almost 200,000 lakes? Did you know that Sweden has been a country since c. 98 CE? Both countries are places one can see the aurora borealis.



Scholars tasted rye bread, Pihlaja "Fox Candy" Finnish Marmalade Candy, and Swedish Julmust – a popular soft drink during the winter holidays.



Have a wonderful summer! Please, reach out if you have any questions or concerns.
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