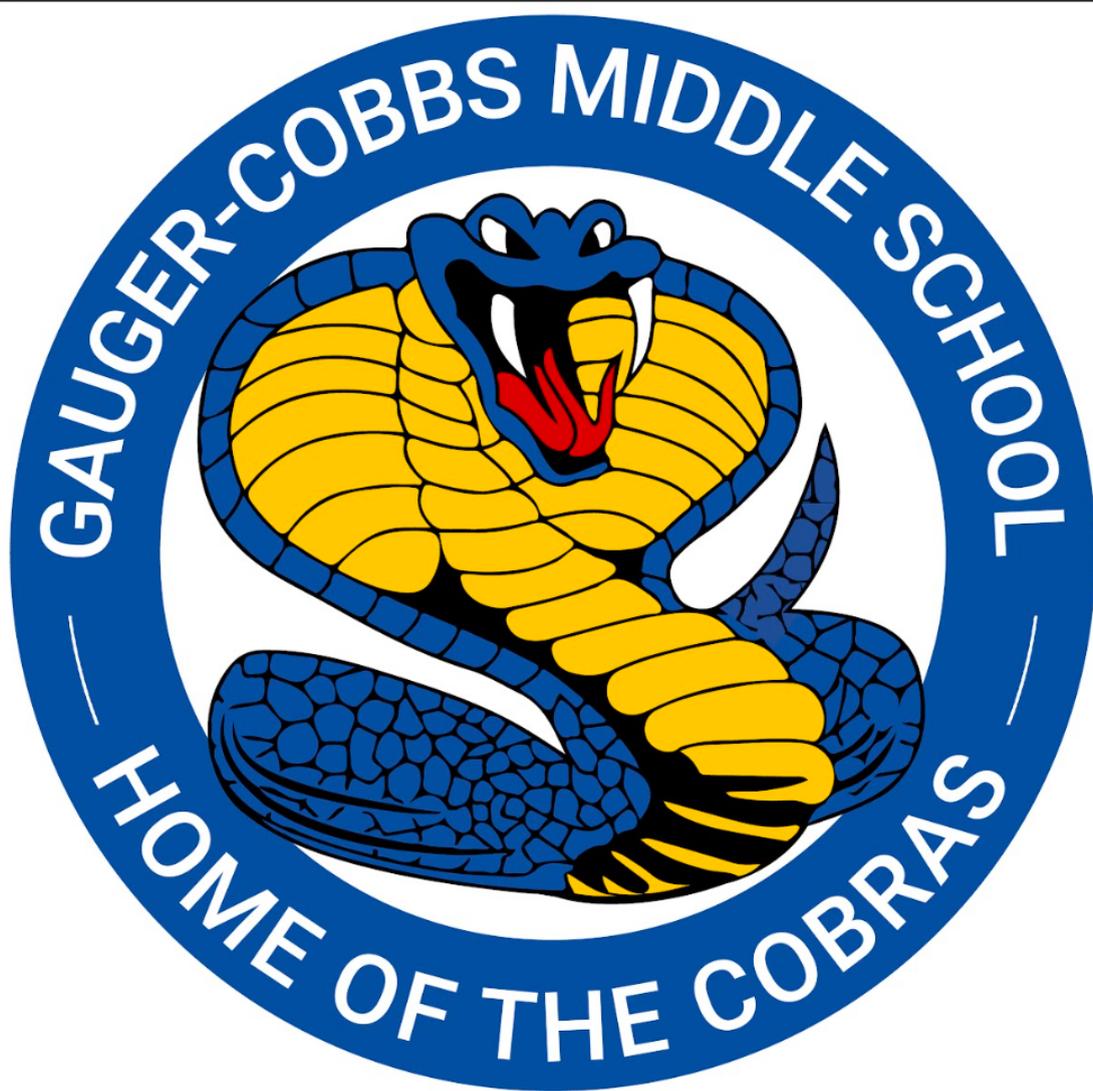


# Gauger Cobbs Newsletter

1/17/2025



## Principal's Message

**Subject: Important Updates for Gauger Cobbs Families**

Good Evening Gauger Families,

I hope this message finds you well and staying healthy during this cold winter season. As we approach January 20th, I would like to take a moment to recognize Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and his profound contributions to our society. I hope you can reflect on his legacy and engage

in acts of service in his honor. During my own studies, I was fortunate to learn about this remarkable individual, and I strongly believe in his message of unity and love.

As Dr. King wisely said:

***"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."***

#### **Inclement Weather Preparedness:**

With inclement weather on the horizon, we ask that students take their Chromebooks home each day to ensure they are prepared for potential virtual learning days. In the event of a snow day or other school closure, students will need their Chromebooks to participate in online learning.

#### Parent and Student Communication:

Sign up for alerts:

- [Click here](#)
- School's snow day policies and where to find updates.
  - ([CSD School Closings and Announcements](#))

Upcoming Semester Transition:

We will be wrapping up our first semester on January 24th, and students will rotate to their next elective course. Report cards will be available on the Home Access Center (HAC) starting February 7th at 4 p.m., and a physical copy will be sent home with students.

After-School Clubs:

Our after-school clubs are meeting on Thursday afternoons, and students are welcome to stay after school each week. Transportation is available for students who need it, but they must be routed in advance. We encourage students to reach out to the club advisors and get involved. The following clubs are available:

- **Business Professionals of America – Ms. Taren Harmon**
- **Chess Club – Mr. Michael Holmes**
- **Technology Student Association – Ms. Gail Morris**
- **Future Farmers of America – Mr. Ashley Garner**
- **FCCLA – Ms. Julia Rice**
- **Science Olympiad – Ms. Sikna Bazzi and Ms. Kelly VanCamp**
- **National Junior Honor Society – Ms. Mya Avant**
- **Student Council – Ms. Kaline Graham**

We are also exploring a potential partnership with the Boys and Girls Club to support students after school. More information will be shared soon!

Reading Tutoring Support:

For families seeking additional academic support, particularly in reading, please reach out to Ms. Leatrice "Michele Hill" at [leatrice.hill@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:leatrice.hill@christina.k12.de.us).

#### **Helpful Links:**

- [Staff Directory](#)
- [Home Access Center \(HAC\)](#)
- [Schoology Parent Login](#)

Thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful evening!

Sincerely,

**Sean Mulrine**

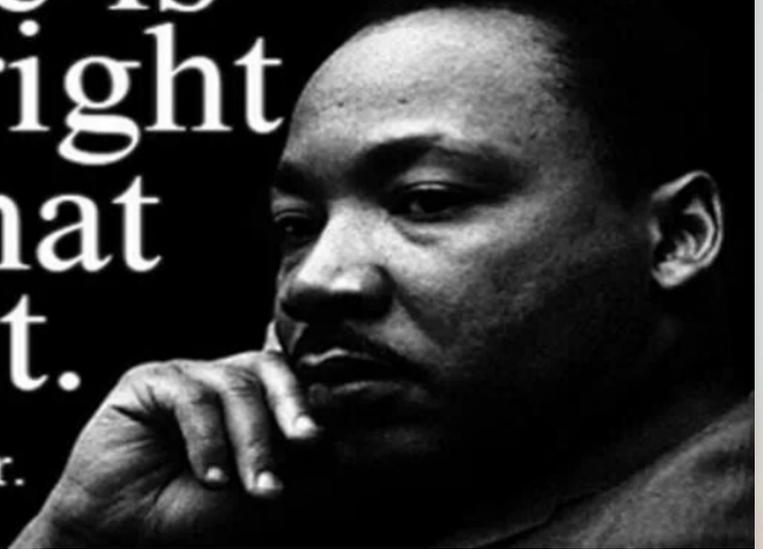
Principal

Gauger Cobbs Middle School

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# The time is always right to do what is right.

~ Martin Luther King Jr.



## Calendar of Events

1/20: Schools & Office Closed - Martin Luther King Day

1/24: Pep Rally PBIS event

1/24: End of MP 2

1/27: Schools Closed & Offices Open - Grading Day (Paraprofessionals PD)

2/7: Report card uploaded to HAC at 4 p.m. and sent home in person.

2/7: PBIS/AC - Honor Roll Assembly

2/10: Schools Closed - Secondary PD

2/17: Schools & Offices Closed - Presidents' Day

2/19: Virtual-Parent Camp @ 6:30-7:30 p.m. Registration information forthcoming

Calendars:

[District Calendars](#)

## Synchronous Learning Schedule

### Synchronous(LIVE ZOOM) Schedule

Parents and Students,

I wanted to communicate with our team in the event of inclement weather or a need to go virtual in the coming weeks.

That said, as we move through the winter season, it's prudent to prepare for the possibility of a snow day impacting school operations. The district has two options:

1. **"Snow-Day"** which means we are off school and there will be no live zoom teaching sessions. We will need to make this day up at the end of the school year.
2. **"Synchronous Day-Live via Zoom"** If we announce a Synchronous day which means we will have a school day and it will be live based on the schedule below. ALL ZOOM LINKS will be in the teacher's SCHOOLLOGY FOLDER. \*\*\*\*We will not need to make up Synchronous days at the end of the school year!\*\*\*\*

- Gauger Cobbs "SYNCHRONOUS-LIVE" Schedule. [CLICK HERE](#)
- Delivered content via ZOOM.
- SCHOOLLOGY page updated with live links and content!
- We will follow our normal schedule rotation 1,2,3,4
- Attendance will be taken for ALL students.

**Parent and Student Communication:**

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**GaugerMS Synchronous Day Schedule- SY25.pdf**

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## New Bell and Lunch Schedule starting 1/28/25



**Lunch Rotation MP 3 24-25.docx**

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### **TESTING-January/February**

**January 13-17:** 7th Grade Social Studies State Testing

**January 28 - Feb. 11:** ACCESS Testing\*

**February 10 -14:** 6th and 8th Grade Social Studies

\*Notices for ACCESS TESTING are being sent home with our eligible students. This test is for ELL students and is required by the State of DE for all students who have been identified as ELL.

## Report Card and MP Dates

Marking Period	Interim Entry Begins Grading Window OPENS (This is the cut off date for assignments to be included in the IPR)	Interim LOCKED Grading Window CLOSES @ 4 p.m. (This is the last day grades can be loaded to the IPR 'Load from Gradebook')	Interim on HAC @ 11 a.m.	Report Card Entry Begins Grading Window Open	End of Marking Period	Report Card Locked Grading Window Closes @ 4 p.m.	Report Card Review/Verification*	Report Card on HAC by 11 a.m.
MP 1	9/30/24	10/7/24	10/9/24	10/25/24	11/1/24	11/15/24	10/25/24-11/19/24	11/20/24
MP 2	12/2/24	12/9/24	12/11/24	1/17/25	1/24/25	2/4/25	1/17/25-2/6/25	2/7/25
MP 3	2/14/25	2/24/25	2/26/25	3/21/25	3/28/25	4/8/25	3/21/25-4/10/25	4/10/25
MP 4	4/28/25	5/5/25	5/7/25	6/4/25	6/11/25	6/16/25	6/4/25-6/18/25	6/18/25

## Gauger PTA

Please sign up to support our building.

Kerry Waugh is President and can be reached at [kerry.waugh@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:kerry.waugh@christina.k12.de.us)

- [PTA membership form](#)

ORDER SCHOOL ATTIRE FROM GIVEBACKS

- <https://gauger.givebacks.com/store?limit=21&live=true>



**HAVE A HEART**

HELP SUPPORT GAUGER STUDENTS AND THE  
FAMILIES AFFECTED BY THE FOX RUN  
APARTMENT COMPLEX FIRE




*Valentine's  
T-Shirt Sales by Gauger  
PTA*

Multiple designs to choose from  
Short Sleeve-Only \$18  
Long Sleeve-Only \$22

**\*Pre Orders Only\* due by January 24th**  
Students may wear the purchased shirt on Valentine's Day,  
February 14th



[Short Sleeve T Shirt](#)



[Long Sleeve T Shirt](#)

**Middle School Orientation** – 8th grade assembly to hear about high school options and also receive the course scheduling card

- December 9-18

**Middle School Course Scheduling Card Activity** – 8th grade advisory teachers will provide time for students to fill out their course planner cards

- January 6-10

**Middle School Conferences for Scheduling**

- January 21-24

## Sports

The Winter Season is under way at this time and we thank our coaches for supporting our student athletes during the winter season..

### Boys' Basketball Head Coach(s):

Tarik Robinson Sr. email: [tarik.robinson@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:tarik.robinson@christina.k12.de.us)

Ted McGonigle email: [theodore.mcgonigle@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:theodore.mcgonigle@christina.k12.de.us)

### Girls' Basketball Head Coach:

Gail Morris: [gail.morris@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:gail.morris@christina.k12.de.us)

### Cheerleading Head Coach:

Anya McKenzie: [anya.mckenzie@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:anya.mckenzie@christina.k12.de.us)

ALL events will be posted on our Sports Website: [CLICK HERE](#)

If you have any questions regarding sports, please reach out to our athletic coordinator Monica Wise at [monica.wise@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:monica.wise@christina.k12.de.us).

If your child is interested in the Spring Sports(Track) or Girl's Soccer, please make sure that they get a DIAA sports physical and that it is in file with the school nurse.



# We're going cashless for athletic events!



Buy event tickets online.  
[christinak12.org/athletics](http://christinak12.org/athletics)

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**PBS focus for January**

Our focus for our school-wide drawings will be on Positive Interactions for the remainder of the month of January! Teachers are expected to reward students with Cobra Cash for doing the right thing!

Academically, we are handing out Cobra Cash rewards for students who are completing lessons during advisory. We will be drawing names during lunches and rewarding our winners with prizes at the end of the month(January)

## Who to contact?

- For an Academic/Classroom Behavior Concern: The first person you should always contact for an academic concern is your student's teacher. Voicemail and email are available and all parents should expect a reply within one business day. If not, please contact the grade-level administrator or Principal.
- For a General Behavior/Social Concern: Contact the grade level dean of the students or grade level counselor.

### Deans:

- 6th grade (Tywania Spicer) [tywania.spicer@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:tywania.spicer@christina.k12.de.us)
- 7th grade (Adam Mayer) [adam.mayer@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:adam.mayer@christina.k12.de.us)
- 8th grade (Jeffrey Frampton) [jeffrey.frampton@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:jeffrey.frampton@christina.k12.de.us)

### Guidance:

- 6th grade (Amber Schneider) [amber.schneider@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:amber.schneider@christina.k12.de.us)
- 7th grade (Andrew Feldmann) [andrew.feldmann@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:andrew.feldmann@christina.k12.de.us)
- 8th grade (Kristin Jeanne) [kristin.jeanne@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:kristin.jeanne@christina.k12.de.us)
- **Attendance Concerns:** the secretaries in the main office or our visiting teacher (Dawn Jackson)
- **Medical Concern:** The school nurses are Ms. Aubrey Rogers and Ms. Kristy Chester ([aubrey.rogers@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:aubrey.rogers@christina.k12.de.us)) or 302-454-2358 ext: 105
- ([kristy.chester@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:kristy.chester@christina.k12.de.us)) or 302-454-2357 ext: 332
- **Concern about Special Education:**
  - Ms. Colleen Konkle [colleen.konkle@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:colleen.konkle@christina.k12.de.us) (7th grade)(6th grade A-K)
  - Ms. Karyn Treibly [karyn.treibly@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:karyn.treibly@christina.k12.de.us) (8th grade)(6th grade L-Z)

### A General School Concern: Begin with the Assistant Principal.

- 6th grade and **ALL** Special Education students. Dionne Avant (ext: 117) [dionne.avant@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:dionne.avant@christina.k12.de.us)
- 7th grade 8th grade-Dr. Edward Avinger 454-2358 (ext.: 121) [edward.avinger@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:edward.avinger@christina.k12.de.us)
- **A Registration Concern:** Please contact the main office at 302-454-2358 and speak to a secretary. Ms. Wilson, Ms. Derr, or Ms. Landreth.
- To speak with the Principal, please contact the main office and ask to speak to Patty Landreth (Principal Secretary)

## Gauger Cobbs Middle School Dress code

Parents thank you for your help in maintaining our school uniform policy. Please make sure you reiterate to your child that "hoodies" are never to be worn in the building. They can be placed in the

locker upon arrival at the school. If your child gets cold, please send them in with either a cardigan or sweatshirt without a hood that is grade-level color.

We have seen students wearing Crocs, and these are not permitted. Also, sun glasses are not permitted to be worn during the school day. Thank you for your support of our middle school dress code policy.



**CSD MIDDLE SCHOOL UNIFORM DRESS CODE (4) (1).pdf**

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## Student Manual

Student Manual Information

### [DISTRICT SECONDARY STUDENT MANUAL](#)

Parents we ask you for your continued support with some of the following expectations for all of our students! We had expectations assemblies this past week for all grade levels and reviewed many of the topics from our Student Manual. We stressed proper bus behavior, being on time to class, resolving conflicts, and getting additional support if needed. I encourage you and your child to review our Student manual at this link: [CLICK HERE](#)

## Nurse Contact Information

If your child has any of the symptoms below, please keep them home and send in an illness note upon their return to school.

- Sore throat
- Cough
- Shortness of breath, trouble breathing, severe wheezing
- Chills or shaking with chills
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- New loss of smell or taste
- Congestion, runny nose
- Fever of 100.4F or above

If your child is experiencing **ANY** of the symptoms above, have them tested (home tests acceptable) for COVID before returning to in person learning to assure the health and safety of the school community. *Please be mindful that a fever is not a common early symptom for COVID and is not the sole indicator of COVID-19.*

Ms. Aubrey Rogers and Christy Chester are Gauger's school nurses. If you have any COVID concerns or questions, please see their email below to make contact. For more information about health or to learn more about our nurses, you can visit the "Nurse's Corner" by clicking here: [LINK](#)

### Nurse's Email and phone numbers.

302-454-2358 ext: 103

[aubrey.rogers@christina.k12.de.us](mailto:aubrey.rogers@christina.k12.de.us)

## Attendance Notes and Policy

Parents it is important that you send in an attendance note within 5 days of your student being absent.

Valid Reasons for Excused Absences and Tardies

- Illness of student
- Medical diagnosis and/or treatment
- Death in immediate family
- Contagious disease in the home
- Legal business requiring the student's presence
- Suspension or expulsion from school
- Observance of religious holiday
- Approved college visits
- Authorized school-sponsored activities

If you want to submit a note electronically, [click here](#).

You can see the district policies at the link below.

<https://www.christinak12.org/attendance>

## Technology Support

- TECHNOLOGY REQUEST LINK: [CLICK HERE](#).

## DIAA Sports Physical FORM

<https://education.delaware.gov/diaa/>

## HAC Information

Parents, if you have never logged into HAC in the past, you will need an **access code** which can be provided by the school secretary. If you have logged into the system in the past, you don't need the access code. If you have been in HAC at any time during your child's education, you will need to request a password reset via the email that is on your child's school profile in Eschool.

Please see below for instructions on how to log into the Home Access Center.

Home Access Center (HAC) is a secure web-based portal that also allows you to:

- Monitor attendance
- View Schedules
- View report cards

[Click here for Home Access Center.](#)

Home Access Center (HAC) Information

Follow these steps to log onto Home Access Center:

Go to URL: <https://hac.doe.k12.de.us/HomeAccess/>

Choose Christina School District from the drop-down menu.

FirstName.LastName (John.Snow)

Password must have capital, lowercase, and a number.

PLEASE DO NOT SHARE YOUR PASSWORD. Students in Grades 6-12 have their own logon.

In the case of a forgotten username or password, please

Click the "Forgot My User Name or Password" link.

An email with your user name and a temporary password will be sent to the email address currently on file with the school

If you still have trouble with your username and temporary password, please email our secretaries.

## Bell Schedule



**Class Schedule 24-25.docx (1).pdf**

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## Gauger Cobbs Middle School

**Our Vision:** At Gauger-Cobbs Middle School we believe in a safe and collaborative learning environment inspiring and preparing all students to be productive learners and leaders in the global community.

**Nuestra Visión:** En la escuela Gauger-Cobbs creemos en un ambiente de aprendizaje seguro y colaborativo que inspira y prepara a todos los estudiantes para ser estudiantes productivos y líderes en la comunidad global.

**Our Mission:** Our mission at Gauger Cobbs Middle School is to engage all students in their learning through challenging curriculum, developing positive relationships, and promoting a culture of personal ownership in each student's academic, social and emotional growth.

**Nuestra Misión:** Nuestra misión en la Escuela Intermedia Gauger Cobbs es engranar a todos los estudiantes en su aprendizaje a través de un plan de estudios desafiante, desarrollando relaciones positivas y promoviendo una cultura de propiedad personal en el crecimiento académico, social y emocional de cada estudiante.

### Gauger Cobbs Middle School's Core Values

- Passion for excellence for our students and school
- Positive Relationships between, school, home, and the community
- Respect and dignity for ourselves and one another
- Teamwork in that we include all stakeholders in our efforts to make Gauger the best it can be
- Community in which stakeholders share responsibility for providing a safe social and learning environment for all those involved in the educational process

## Valores fundamentales de la escuela Gauger Cobbs

- Pasión por la excelencia para nuestros estudiantes y la escuela
- Relaciones positivas entre la escuela, el hogar y la comunidad
- Respeto y dignidad por nosotros mismos y los demás
- Trabajo en equipo en el que incluimos a todas las partes interesadas en nuestros esfuerzos para hacer que Gauger sea lo mejor que puede ser
- Comunidad en la que las partes interesadas comparten la responsabilidad de proporcionar un medio ambiente de aprendizaje seguro y social para todos los involucrados en el proceso educativo



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