



# Cornwall Consolidated School E-News



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## Week of December 9, 2024

**Reminder: Please drop your student off in the morning prior to 8:25**

<p>Mon, December 9</p>	<p>Healthy Kids After School Program (Gathering room; 3-5pm)            Boys Blue Team (Cornwall) 4:30-6:00            Girls Blue Team (Salisbury) 4:15-6:00            Boys Gold Team (Kellogg) 3:45-6:00</p>
<p>Tues, December 10</p>	<p>Boys Blue Team (North Canaan) 4:30-6:00            Girls Gold Team (Kellogg) 3:45-6:00            Art Garage            Healthy Kids After School Program (Gathering room; 3-5pm)            K-4 Art Show &amp; Winter Concert (Gymnasium; 6pm) *snow date tomorrow*</p>
<p>Wed, December 11</p>	<p>Early Release for Students - Professional Learning for Staff            No practices/activities - Early Dismissal            Healthy Kids After School Program (Gathering room; 1-5pm)</p>
<p>Thurs, December 12</p>	<p>MS Art Show &amp; Winter Concert (Gymnasium; 5:45pm) *snow date tomorrow*            Boys Blue Team (North Canaan) 4:30-6:00            Girls Blue Team (Salisbury) 4:15-6:00            Girls Gold Team (Kellogg) 3:45-6:00            Art Garage            Healthy Kids After School Program (Gathering room; 3-5pm)</p>
<p>Fri, December 13</p>	<p>PJ Day for the Kids - Wear Pajamas or something comfy!            Attendance Celebration Breakfast for Perfect Tri-1 attendance (Gathering Room; 8:30am-9:30am)            Healthy Kids After School Program (Gathering room; 3-5pm)            No Sports or Activities</p>

# Principal's Page - Maguire's Message

**Hello CCS Community,**

**We had a great weekend and our very first surprise snow day! I hope everyone had some fun in the snow or at least enjoyed it through the window, cuddled up under a cozy blanket with some hot cocoa! I was definitely the latter, but my boys enjoyed playing in the snow!**

**On Wednesday, our 8th graders, along with Mr. Vincent and myself, made the trip to Hartford where our students proudly presented their Americans with Disabilities project to the CT State Board of Education. Their hard work was [recognized with a standing ovation](#) — and it was 100% deserved! What a great day for our students and our school!**

**This week has also been a time for showcasing our students' amazing efforts in the classroom. Our first graders have been diving into the concept of community and how to contribute in positive ways. They came up with the fantastic idea of creating a community cart for our CCS staff. They decorated and filled a cart to overflowing, delivering treats and thank you notes to each staff member. It was such a thoughtful and appreciated gesture. Thank you, First Grade!**

**Speaking of community, CCSFE hosted a wonderful two-evening gingerbread-making event! I was sorry I couldn't attend, but the pictures clearly show that everyone who participated had a blast. A special thank you to Kate (Austin and Fallyn's mom) and Iris (Junie and Henry's mom) for making this event happen! I'm hopeful it'll return next year!**

**Looking ahead, we have so much to look forward to! This Friday, December 13th, will be filled with excitement. We will be hosting a breakfast for 22 students who had perfect attendance for the entire first trimester of school. Congratulations to these students! We can't wait to celebrate you and spend time with you and someone special who inspires you to be here every day.**

**Friday is also PJ Day for the Kids! Students are invited to wear their pajamas and donate to support the wonderful work happening at The Children's Hospital. We're hoping for a great donation this year, so anything you can give will be appreciated!**

**Also, mark your calendars for our first-ever Family Dance on Friday, December 20th! We will have a fun Spirit Week leading up to the Winter break during the last school week of the YEAR. Friday's theme will be "Dress to Impress" — New Year's attire! We'll be ready to dance and spend some special time together as a school family. We'll be revealing our mascot's name that evening, and we can't wait to share it with you! It's going to be a wonderful week ahead, and we're excited for all the joy the next two weeks will bring!**

**Wishing you all a fantastic week, Leanne**

# Winter Concerts & Art Show!



## CCS Winter Concert & Art Show Dates



### K-4 STUDENTS

DECEMBER 10TH (SNOW DATE DECEMBER 11TH)  
ALL K-4 STUDENTS ARE INVOLVED IN THE  
CONCERT

CONCERT STARTS AT 6:30  
(STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE AT 6:00)

The Art Show will be open from 6:00-6:30  
and for 30 minutes after the concert

The Art Show includes works from all K-8 students

### MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

DECEMBER 12TH (SNOW DATE DECEMBER 13TH)  
BAND, CHORUS AND JAZZ BAND STUDENTS IN  
GRADES 5-8 WILL PERFORM

CONCERT WILL START AT 6:30  
BAND STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE AT 5:45  
CHORUS STUDENTS SHOULD ARRIVE AT 6:00

The Art Show will be open from 5:45-6:30  
and for 30 minutes after the concert

The Art Show includes works from  
all K-8 students



# Technology Use Expectations

## TECHNOLOGY USE EXPECTATIONS



### WHAT ARE SCHOOL CHROMEBOOKS AND GOOGLE ACCOUNTS USED FOR?

School assignments such as:

- Accessing Google classroom
- Completing class assignments using Google docs/slides
- Accessing websites using links provided by teachers for school assignments (Duolingo, Desmos, Khan Academy, Gale, Britannica, Quaver, Canva, etc.)
- Using your email to communicate with your teachers or classmates related to school assignments

### WHAT ARE SCHOOL CHROMEBOOKS AND GOOGLE ACCOUNTS NOT USED FOR?

Personal use such as:

- Watching videos or listening to music on YouTube
- Searching for images/information not related to a school assignment
- Creating Google docs/slides that are not shared with a teacher
- Playing online games
- Using Google docs or email for personal communication unrelated to school

THIS APPLIES BOTH DURING SCHOOL AND OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL

You should be sure to...

- Use your Chromebook appropriately at all times
- Work only on assignments in class when directed by a teacher
- Close tabs you are not currently using
- Not change any settings on your Chromebook
- Report anything you come across online that you feel is unsafe or inappropriate

# December in the Library Media Center!

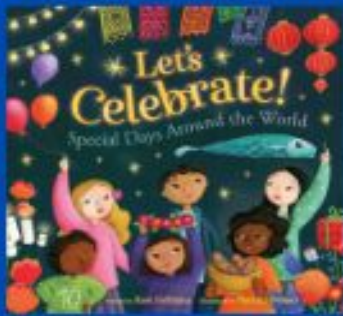
## LIBRARY NEWS

YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE LIBRARY!

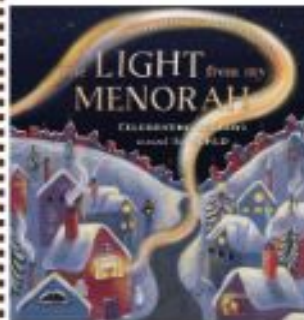
DECEMBER EDITION

## TRADITIONS AROUND THE GLOBE

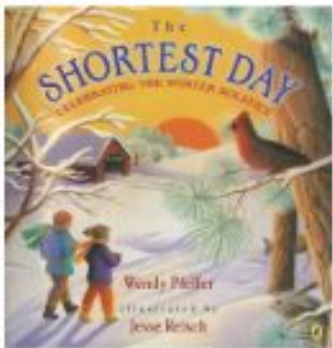
This month in the library, we will be learning about traditions and holidays celebrated around the globe through literature and research. Come check out these books at the library!



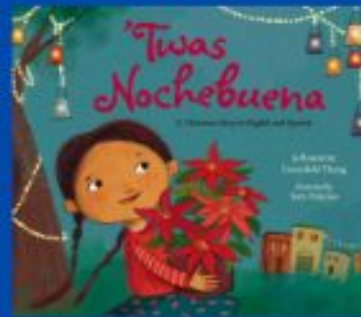
Experience, and learn about, 13 special celebrations throughout the world. From Diwali to Carnival to Matariki read this book to learn more about other cultures throughout the globe.



A young boy celebrating Hanukkah follows his Menorah's light as it carries him on a journey to see how families around the world celebrate their own special holidays from lighting diyas to kinaras to candles and strings of lights.



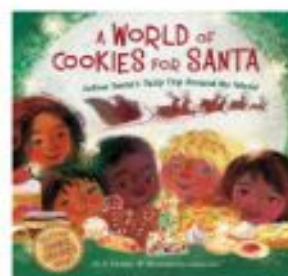
In this book you can learn the science behind the winter solstice and also about the traditions and history of how the shortest day has been celebrated around the world.



In this book, written in English and Spanish, follow a Latino family as they prepare to host a Christmas Eve celebration which includes traditional food, decorations and activities.



This book celebrates the importance of passing down traditions from one generation to the next. Learn about the traditional food prepared to celebrate Hanukkah as well as the meaning of Hebrew and Yiddish words that are used throughout the story to describe the celebration.



Follow Santa around the globe to learn about the traditional treats that are shared with him. From the start of his journey at Christmas Island where he eats *coconut macaroons* to South Africa for *hertzog* to Norway for *riskrem*. Learn about Christmas traditions and treats in 30 countries!

# Quote of the Week



## Social Media Accounts

Instagram



Facebook



Every Friday morning:  
[Link to live announcements](#)

# Change to this week's lunch menu

Hello Everyone,

Just giving you all a heads up that next week's menu will be a little different, do to yesterday's snow day and next week's 1/2 day dismissal on Wednesday.

**The menu will be:**

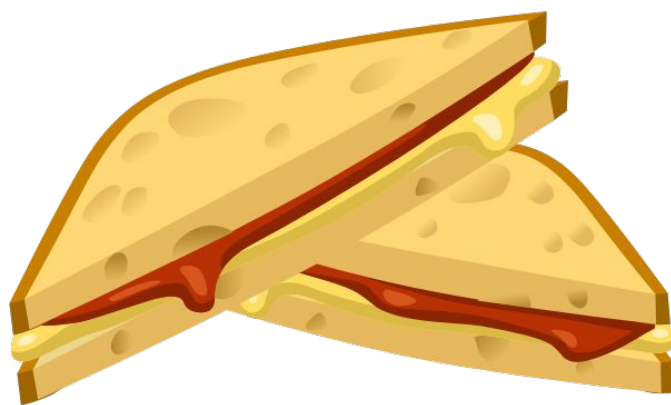
**Monday- Mozzarella Sticks with Marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Soft Pretzel**

**Tuesday- Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup**

**Wednesday- Beef Nacho Grande, Corn**

**Thursday- Pasta with Chicken & Broccoli, Garlic Knot, Salad**

**Friday- Pizza & Garden Salad**



# Full December Menu: [Link](#)

December 2024

Cornwall Consolidated School  
Lunch

## MONDAY

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- Macaroni & Cheese
- Roasted Vegetables
- Carrot Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

## TUESDAY

3

- Hot Dog on a Bun
- Baked Beans
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

## WEDNESDAY

4

- Meatball Grinder
- Garden Salad
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

## THURSDAY

5

- Mozzarella Sticks with Marinara Sauce
- Roasted Green Beans
- Soft Pretzel
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

## FRIDAY

6

- Stuffed Crust Pizza
- Garden Salad
- Celery Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

9

- Chicken Patty on a Bun
- Lettuce & Tomato
- Tater Tots
- Carrot Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

10

- Grilled Cheese Sandwich
- Tomato Soup
- Celery Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

11

- Pasta with Chicken & Broccoli
- Garlic Knot
- Garden Salad
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

12

- Beef Nacho Grande
- Cheddar Cheese
- Shredded Lettuce, Salsa, & Sour Cream
- Corn
- Carrot Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

13

- Stuffed Crust Pizza
- Garden Salad
- Roasted Chick Peas
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

16

- Bosco Sticks
- Marinara Dipping Sauce
- Carrot Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

17

- French Toast Sticks
- Sausage Patty
- Hash Brown Potato
- Pepper Strips
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

18

- Chicken Nuggets
- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
- Dinner Roll
- Roasted Green Beans
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

19

- Pasta w/ Meatballs, Marinara, & Mozzarella
- Garden Salad
- Garlic Bread
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

20

- Stuffed Crust Pizza
- Roasted Chick Peas
- Cucumber Sticks
- Assorted Fruit
- Low Fat Milk

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Holiday Recess

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Holiday Recess

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Holiday Recess



# MS Regional Sports & Activities

## Regional Middle School Program

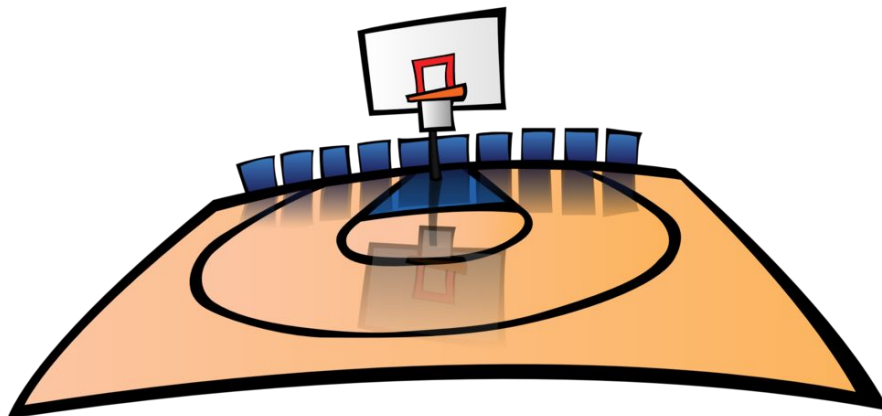
### Weekly Schedule

**Monday, Dec 9:**

**Boys Blue Team (Cornwall) 4:30-6:00**

**Girls Blue Team (Salisbury) 4:15-6:00**

**Boys Gold Team (Kellogg) 3:45-6:00**



**Tuesday, Dec 10:**

**Boys Blue Team (North Canaan) 4:30-6:00**

**Girls Gold Team (Kellogg) 3:45-6:00**

**Art Garage**

**Wednesday, Dec 11:**

**No practices/activities - Early Dismissal**

**Thursday, Dec 12:**

**Boys Blue Team (North Canaan) 4:30-6:00**

**Girls Blue Team (Salisbury) 4:15-6:00**

**Girls Gold Team (Kellogg) 3:45-6:00**

**Art Garage**

**Friday, Dec 13:**

**No activities/practices**



# Regional Sports & Activities

**Sunday, Dec 8:**

**Ice Hockey Practice 4:45-6:00**

**Girls Basketball 8:00-10:30**

**Housy Hoops?**



**Monday, Dec 9:**

**Boys Basketball Early**

**Girls Basketball Late**

**Swim Practice 3:00-4:00**

**Indoor Track Practice**

**Ice Hockey 8:00-9:15**

**Adult BB 7:00-9:00**

**Tuesday, Dec 10:**

**Boys Basketball AWAY vs Webutuck (scrimmage)(Bus 3:15; Scrimmage 4:30)**

**Girls Basketball AWAY vs East Windsor/Ellis Tech (Bus 2:45; Scrimmage 5:00)**

**Cheer 3:30-5:15**

**Swim Practice 3:00-4:00**

**Indoor Track Practice**

**Wednesday, Dec 11: \*Early Dismissal/No Late Bus\***

**Boys Basketball regular early practice**

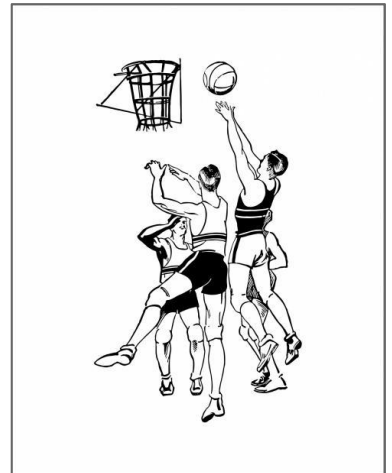
**Girls Basketball HOME vs Torrington 5:00 (scrimmage)**

**Indoor Track 12:00-1:30**

**Swim TBA**

**Ice Hockey 8:00-9:15**

**Indoor Soccer 7:00-9:00**



**Thursday, Dec 12:**

**Boys Basketball AWAY vs Derby (scrimmage)(Early Dismissal 2:00; Bus 2:15; Scrimmage 4:00)**

**Girls Basketball Late**

**Cheer 3:30-5:15**

**Swim Practice 3:00-4:00**

**Adult BB 7:00-9:00**

**Friday, Dec 13:**

**Boys Basketball Early**

**V Girls Basketball AWAY vs Valley Regional (varsity scrimmage only)(Early Dismissal 2:15; Scrimmage 5:00)**

**JV Girls Basketball Practice TBA**

**Swim Practice 3:00-4:00**

**Saturday, Dec 14:**

**Rec Basketball 9:00-11:30**

**Boys Basketball 12:00-2:00**

**Indoor Track AWAY at Hillhouse Developmental Meet (at Floyd Little Athletic Center New Haven)(Bus 7:15; Meet 10:00)**

**Ice Hockey AWAY vs Eastern Eagles (at Norwich Rose Garden)(Bus 2:15; Scrimmage 5:15)**

# Information from Anne MacNeil

Winter Sports & Art Garage Contact information:

Blue Team Boys - Bobby Chatfield ([bobbychats19@gmail.com](mailto:bobbychats19@gmail.com)) and Shawn Bushey ([shawn.bushey23@gmail.com](mailto:shawn.bushey23@gmail.com))

Blue Team Girls - Julianne O'Connell ([joconnell@salisburycentral.org](mailto:joconnell@salisburycentral.org)) and Mackenzie Mastro ([mmastro@salisburycentral.org](mailto:mmastro@salisburycentral.org))

Gold Team - Jake Murray ([jakebmurray89@gmail.com](mailto:jakebmurray89@gmail.com)) and Ellery Kiefer ([ellerykiefer@gmail.com](mailto:ellerykiefer@gmail.com))

Art Garage - Kitty Kiefer ([beesweet1@gmail.com](mailto:beesweet1@gmail.com))

Please contact Anne MacNeil with any questions or concerns.



# PJ Day for the Kids!



## PJ DAY FOR THE KIDS

Friday, December 13th  
Wear your pajamas to  
school for a cause!



Bring in a  
donation for  
CCMC and help  
CCS make an  
impact!

Dress code: favorite pajamas  
or something comfy!

Support CCMC!



# PJ DAY

## FOR THE KIDS



Give \$1 or more! – Wear your PJs –  
Support Kids with Cancer

PJ Day for the Kids kicks off its 11th year with a mission to not only raise money, but to honor the brave kids fighting cancer at Connecticut Children's. Join us as students and businesses across Connecticut and Massachusetts wear their PJs for the kids.



# PJ DAY

## FOR THE KIDS



# 12 Days of Christmas Event!

## West Cornwall's 12 Days of Christmas Art Exhibit

❄️ ❄️ Opening Celebration ❄️ ❄️  
❄️ Friday December 13th 4:45pm-6pm ❄️

12 works by local artists,  
tucked into windows  
throughout West Cornwall

Get a map at the wish house.  
(413 Sharon Goshen Tpke)  
Kids collect stickers at each  
window for a special prize!

Refreshments Served!

Raclette &  
Hot Chocolate!

**PLUS**

Special visit by Santa Claus - who needs your  
help this year! Bring an unwrapped gift for  
someone in need - and Santa will deliver it.



# Winter Spirit Week

## CCS WINTER SPIRIT WEEK

WEEK OF DECEMBER 16TH

### Monday

#### Long Winter's Nap!

Wear your cozy clothes!

### Tuesday

#### Feelin' Frosty!

Dress in blue and white!

### Wednesday

#### Holly Jolly Hat Day!

Wear your festive hats and accessories!

### Thursday

#### Sweater Weather!

Wear your festive sweaters!

### Friday

#### New Year's Eve Attire!

Dress to impress in your best!



# Family Dance Event Dress to Impress!



## CCS FAMILY DANCE NIGHT



**FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER  
20TH**

**COME JOIN  
THE PACK FOR  
OUR COYOTE  
NAME  
REVEAL**

**3:00-4:30  
PM AT CCS**



**STUDENTS MUST HAVE A DESIGNATED ADULT IN ATTENDANCE FOR THE DURATION OF THE DANCE. IF YOU WILL NOT BE IN ATTENDANCE FOR YOUR CHILD THE SCHOOL WILL NEED A WRITTEN NOTE BY DECEMBER 18TH IDENTIFYING WHO THEIR DESIGNATED ADULT WILL BE.**



# Hotchkiss School

## Opportunities for Students

The included flyers feature programs Hotchkiss students are offering local children.

1. On **Wednesdays through March 5** (with occasional vacation breaks) from 4-5 pm, Jackson Grace '26 is hosting "Red, White and You," an engaging weekly program of games, competitions, Kahoot, and activities like designing a presidential campaign, creating political cartoons, building your own country, etc. to help students learn about their country while having a lot of fun! The program is an entertaining and completely non-political version of a classic civics class. Once registered, students can attend any or all classes.
2. This **Sunday, 12/8** members of Hotchkiss' boys and girls varsity ice hockey teams are hosting an [ice hockey clinic](#) for independent skaters (protective gear required) from 11 am-12 pm, followed by a [family swim](#) in the school's 12-lane pool from 1-2 pm.
3. On **Sunday, January 12** from 2-3 pm, a *girls-only* STEM program begins and will continue if there is sufficient interest. A few Blg Sisters are offering the class and are eager to share their STEM passions with local girls.

With appreciation,

Caroline Kenny Burchfield  
Director of Community Partnerships

# SWIM & ICE HOCKEY

COME TO THE  
HOTCHKISS  
SCHOOL FOR  
OUR UPCOMING:

## COMMUNITY SWIM

- December 8
- From 1-2 PM
- At Hotchkiss' Hixon Pool



## ICE HOCKEY CLINIC

- December 8 from 11-12 PM
- Taught by Hotchkiss students
- Children must bring their own equipment and be able to skate
- Ages 7-13

*Scan HERE to sign up*



# Red, White, & YOU

## ★ RED, WHITE, AND YOU ★ ★ NAVIGATING THE ★ ★ WORLD OF ★ ★ AMERICAN POLITICS ★

A Hands-On Program for Grades 5-8  
Fall 2024 - Winter 2025 | Wednesdays, 4-5 PM



*Scan Here For Curriculum*



★ SCAN TO SIGN UP!

*Join for all 11 weeks or choose the topics that interest you most!*



**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!**

Dive into the world of American politics through games like Kahoot, fun challenges, and creative projects that spark curiosity. Each week, students will explore new topics—from presidential history to the power of local government—through engaging activities, including **designing a presidential campaign**, writing **letters to representatives**, and even **building their own country!**



**DISCOVER, DEBATE, AND DIVE INTO DEMOCRACY!**  
BY JACKSON GRACE



# Women in STEM

# WOMEN IN STEM



**SCIENCE**



**TECHNOLOGY**



**ENGINEERING**



**MATH**



**WORKSHOP #1:**  
*LEARN ABOUT  
ENGINEERING  
WITH A FUN EGG  
DROP CHALLENGE!*



**SCAN THIS QR CODE TO SIGN UP**

**PLEASE JOIN HOTCHKISS SOCIETY OF WOMEN  
IN STEM CLASS FOR SCIENTIFIC WORKSHOPS**

*THE CLASSES WILL INVOLVE CODING LESSONS, BIOLOGY/CHEMISTRY  
WORKSHOPS, ASTRONOMY LECTURES, AND MORE!*

**DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2 P.M.  
FOR FEMALE-IDENTIFYING STUDENTS OF  
9-12 YEARS OLD**

# After School Program



AWARD WINNING PROVIDER OFFERING CARE FOR 16 YEARS WITH OVER 100 LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND GROWING!!

## HEALTHY KIDS PROGRAMS @ CORNWALL CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL



For over 16 years, Healthy Kids Programs has been providing Before and After School, Summer Camp and Early Learning Programs with over 100 locations throughout the country.

### After School Program

**Ages:** K-12 years

**After School:** Pick up as late as 5:00pm

### Schools Out Program

Offered during scheduled half days, we give kids a half day packed with awesome activities, new friends, and endless adventures.

**Ages:** K-12 years

**Hours:** Dismissal-

Pick up as late as 5:00pm

**Dates Available:** 12/11, 1/22, 3/12, 5/7



My kids have a blast with this program! Every day when I pick them up, they never want to leave! You have a great program and great staff! Thank you so much!"

### Childcare Financial Assistance

We are proud to work hand in hand with the CT Child Care Assistance Program. This program helps eligible families with some or all of the cost of child care.

Visit our website or reach out to our Subsidy Team for more info!

[subsidy@healthykidsprograms.com](mailto:subsidy@healthykidsprograms.com)

### Learn More & Register!

 [healthykidsprograms.com](https://www.healthykidsprograms.com)

 [registration@healthykidsprograms.com](mailto:registration@healthykidsprograms.com)

 845-330-0200



# Cornwall Library Program

The  
Cornwall  
Library

## After School Art Program

WEDNESDAYS, 3:30-5:00PM  
(12:40-2:15 ON EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS)

**Register at noon on Mondays for  
that week's program at  
CornwallLibrary.org**

REGISTRATION CAPPED AT 15 STUDENTS  
BUS SERVICE AVAILABLE FROM CCS  
MATERIALS & SNACK PROVIDED

**Contact CornwallLibraryYA@gmail.com with questions  
1st session September 4th!**

*See you there!*

**[Click this LINK to sign up weekly!](#)**

# Coyote Spotlight!



# First Grade's Community Cart!





# Gingerbread House Making!



# For your Reference: Important Documents, Reminders, & Previous Information Shared

- ★ [Take a look at our Community Commitments!](#)
- ★ [Be in the Coyote Spotlight!](#)
- ★ [What is: Habits of Mind?](#)
- ★ [Learn about our lunch program!](#)
- ★ [School treats for celebrations – guidelines](#)
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