

# March 2013

## Cougar Beat



### From the Principal's Desk:

#### **STAAR Saturday Blitz Information**

Beginning in April, your child will take his/her grade level STAAR tests. In an effort to help our students be successful we are offering several STAAR Blitz Saturdays. Students are invited to attend these Saturday tutorials to help prepare for the upcoming STAAR tests. Please keep in mind that our teachers and staff are dedicated to your child's success. The STAAR Blitz will be held at Crosby Middle School on the following Saturdays from 8:00 am until 12:30 pm. Students in attendance will receive a breakfast bar and a pizza lunch.

March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Writing & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math
March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science
April 13 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies
April 20 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading & 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math
April 20 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies

**STAAR Mandatory Tutorials:** Crosby Middle School will be administering the STAAR Tests in April and May. In an effort to prepare all students for success, we will be offering specialized tutorials for those students that have not shown mastery of important skills. Students that were identified as a candidate for these tutorials were mailed a letter in February.

Tutorials began on Tuesday, February 19th. Each core subject has a designated day so that kids can attend all tutorials without conflict. Tutorials will begin each day after second bus run and last until 3:45.

We are offering bus transportation after tutorials Monday through Thursday.

Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Mondays-	English/Language Arts
Tuesdays-	Science
Wednesdays-	Math
Thursdays-	Social Studies





## March Upcoming Events

March 2	UIL One Act Play at CHS
March 2	STAAR Blitz Day
March 5	UIL Concert Band Contest
March 6	UIL Symphonic Band Contest
March 8	Faculty vs. Student Basketball Game
March 11-15	SPRING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)
March 23	STAAR Blitz Day (8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading & Math)
March 25	Choir Concert at 6pm
March 26	Algebra I EOC Benchmark



### ***For More Information about CMS...***

 <p>Crosby Middle School</p>		<p>Instructions</p> <p>Text @crosbys to (972) 916-9440</p> <p>Or Send an Email crosbys@mail.remind101.com</p>
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## Counselor's Corner – Registration 2013

Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Blanchat conducted registration for the 2013-2014 school in February. Parents and students may access the Academic Planning Guide by going to the CMS Website. The APG will allow parents/students the opportunity to review the course descriptions, prerequisites as well as planning your graduation path.

### **Current 7<sup>th</sup> Graders**

Course Request Forms are due to your math teacher by Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. Students interested in applying to become an office aide must turn in your application to Mrs. Anderson.

### **Current 8<sup>th</sup> Graders**

The Crosby High School counselors were on campus the last week of February. Students filled out his/her 9<sup>th</sup> grade Course Request Forms. CHS will mail or deliver Course Verification Forms before Spring Break. This will allow students/parents to make any changes. Questions? Contact the 9<sup>th</sup> grade counselor- Mrs. Amy Leos. Mrs. Leos may be reached at [aleos@crosbyisd.org](mailto:aleos@crosbyisd.org) or by calling 281-328-9200 ext. 1808

