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CVMS Participates in "Change for Haiti"

Students and staff in Walker County Schools are closely following the tragic news and heartfelt stories stemming from the disastrous earthquake and aftershocks in Haiti. As the desperate plight of the wounded and homeless, many of them children, comes to light, concern and care for these families and orphaned children continue to grow.

In times past, each school has conducted humanitarian fundraising projects individually for needs important to their students and staff. However, with the enormity of the current and future needs in Haiti, the entire district is joining together for one concentrated effort, "Change for Haiti."

From Monday, January 25th, through Friday, February 26th, all Walker County Schools will collect coins for "Change for Haiti." Donations may be submitted through students or employees or directly delivered to a Parent Involvement Specialist at any Walker County school. Donations will be channeled to the American Red Cross International Response Fund to continue their humanitarian efforts such as food, water, tents, basic supplies, first aid and family linking services.

"Change for Haiti" is not designed as a one-time effort only to clean up the aftermath of the earthquake although much is needed to accomplish that task. Students in Walker County Schools desire to promote change in the lives of Haitian children, to help create a better future, such as purifying the water supply through Red Cross assistance.

To help change the lives of children in Haiti, bring coins to Walker County Schools in support of "Change for Haiti."

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST

MARCH 2 - 4

Homework: Whose Work?

Like an athlete or a musician, a student must practice his skills to stay sharp. Homework lets children do just that, and it also shows teachers what they can do on their own. So where do parents come in? Keep roles clear with these tips for you and your child.

Parents:

- Support your child by quizzing him on test material or listening to his ideas for papers.
- Check daily to see that homework is complete. Read comments on graded work so you know how your child is doing.
- When your child is frustrated, suggest that she check her notes or textbook, call a classmate, or take a break. If she struggles with homework on a regular basis, get in touch with the teacher.
- Take your child shopping for tools and supplies (graph paper, calculator, highlighters, rulers). When he has research to do, make sure he can get to the library.

Students:

- Study every day. If you don't have any homework, work on long-term assignments or review your notes.
- Remember to take home all the materials you need (homework assignments, textbooks, worksheets.)
- If you miss or lose an assignment, call a classmate or check with the teacher. Ask your teachers for help when you need it. Try approaching them between classes or before or after school.
- Before beginning an assignment, read the directions carefully so you understand what to do. Write neatly, and turn everything in on time.

Calendar of Events

- 12 Student Council Dance 3:30-5:30
- 15 President's Day Holiday
- 22 Academic Team Competition - Gordon Lee at CVMS
- 27 County Wide Spelling Bee

Sports

- 20 Volleyball - Playday at Lakeview (V) 10:00
- 23 Volleyball - CVMS at Gordon Lee (V) 4:30/5:30
- 26 Volleyball - CVMS at LaFayette (V) 4:30
- 27 Volleyball - CVMS at LaFayette (JV) 10:00
- 20 Soccer - Jamboree/Girls at Heritage **HS** 9:30
- 20 Soccer - Jamboree/Boys at Heritage **MS** 10:00
- 26 Soccer - CVMS vs Ringgold at CVM 4:30G/5:45B
- 27 Baseball - Playday at Heritage (JV)