

The Buzz from the Superintendent

The Massa Message

Dear Crystal City Families & Community,

As we close the second quarter and first semester, I am filled with gratitude and pride for our students, staff, and community. The dedication, resilience, and heart shown across our district truly reflects our motto of ~ **Class & Character**- “**The CC Way**.” This semester has been one of growth, achievement, and togetherness. It is an honor to share our Hornet Buzz with you.

Celebrating Our Students & Programs 🏆

Our Hornets continue to represent Crystal City with pride:

- Basketball season is underway, with our student-athletes competing hard and demonstrating sportsmanship on and off the court.
- Cheerleading brings unmatched energy, leadership, and school spirit to every game and event.
- We are proud of the success of our fall sports and athletes. The commitment and teamwork set a strong tone for the entire school year.

Beyond athletics, our students shine in so many ways:

- Band and Choir filled our halls and community with music, pride, and tradition.
- E-Sports continues to grow, providing students with innovative opportunities to compete and collaborate.
- Student leadership and service remain strong through FBLA, FCA, Student Council, Academic Team, and Spanish Club. Each group is contributing to a well rounded and connected student experience.
- Our elementary students participated in the Vocabulary Parade, 2nd Grade Macy's Day Balloon Parade, 6th Grade Pumpkin Drop, hands-on experiments through Project Lead the Way, and so much more! It has been a semester of fun filled learning activities and experiences.
- The high school drama club will begin practicing in January 2026.

Academic & District Pride

We are incredibly proud to share that our Composite APR score ranked Crystal City #3 in Jefferson County and places us in the top 13% of school districts across the state of Missouri. This achievement reflects the hard work of our students, the dedication of our staff, and the support of our families and community.

Community Support: The Heart of Crystal City

Crystal City is special because of its people. We thrive because of our strong partnerships. The support from our families, alumni, and community partners continues to be second to none. This shared pride reinforces who we are and why Crystal City is such a wonderful place to learn and grow.

Important AMI Update

Due to one inclement weather day in December, we have four remaining AMI Days available for the remainder of the school year. Thank you for your continued flexibility and partnership when weather impacts our schedule.

A Season of Gratitude

As we head into winter break, we do so with confidence, optimism, and gratitude. I want to thank our students for their effort, our staff for their unwavering commitment, and our families for their trust and support. Thank you for making Crystal City a district where students are supported, challenged, and celebrated. Together, we are building something truly special.

Wishing all of our Hornet families a happy, safe, and healthy winter break and a joyful holiday season

Who **Rah**? We **Rah**!

With appreciation,

Taylor Massa



It's a great day to be a Hornet!

Our Mission & Vision

Mission: Learn and grow today, achieve, and succeed tomorrow.

Vision: The Crystal City School District is committed to engaging academic instruction and experiences that provide for real-world connections in a communicative, collaborative, safe, and inclusive environment. In preparation for our students' futures, we believe it takes a strong community of leaders, teachers, learners, families, and community partners to ensure all students learn, grow, and succeed.

Class & Character- "The CC Way."

