

CME Explorer News

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Nikayla Bendezu pictured here with Superintendent Collins.

Nikayla Bendezu
Staff Writer

Oasis North are two words our dear elementary school is soon to be named, but it leaves our school confused. I myself took this big +++change to a high level. I recently had an interview with the Superintendent, Mrs.Collins, and I asked her several questions.

SB: Why are they changing our school's name?

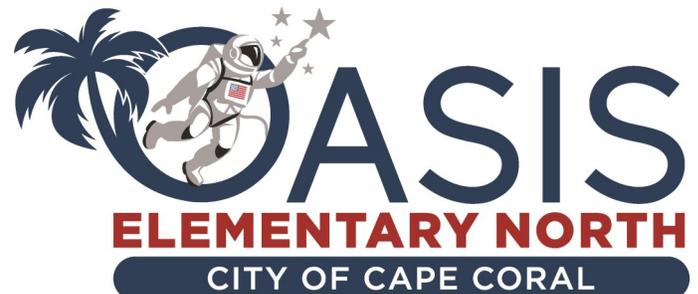
Mrs.Collins: People in the community don't realize that Christa is associated with the Oasis schools, and we want people to realize that all of the schools are part of one big system.

SB: How was the decision made?

Mrs.Collins: A Strategic Plan meeting, then at a later date the governing board voted to approve it.

SB: Where did the name Oasis North come from?

Mrs.Collins: It was the original name while Christa



McAuliffe was being built.

SB: Will the school uniforms change?

Mrs.Collins: Yes, the logo will change and our uniforms will have a big "O" with an astronaut poking out.

SB: If CME wasn't changing its name, what would happen?

Mrs.Collins: The community would still struggle to realize that Christa is part of Oasis.

SB: Why are they changing the name now?

Mrs.Collins: In 2019 we hired a company to do logos and get the name out so that caused the whole thing to take a long process.

SB: Will the schools still be the explorers?

Mrs.Collins: YES!

SB: Will there be any other changes?

Mrs.Collins: Yes, we will be naming the school library after Christa McAuliffe, and will also give a reward to a student in each grade level that will honor their great achievement.

SB: How would changing the name help CME?

Mrs.Collins: The school will receive more recognition, because the name will inform the community that we exist and will make the school unique and would tell the community that all of our schools give a great education and that each one offers unique talents.

I hope that this article helped inform you that not all change is just because. There is a reason for everything and that reason comes with great benefits. I

I touch the future. I teach.

-Christa McAuliffe



Christa McAuliffe

Mrs. Troxell, Our New Math Teacher

Angelina DeBlasi

CME Journalist

Mrs. Troxell, a staff member in our school and has an important job to do. She assists with teaching the children at our school math, instructing grades 3rd, 4th, and 5th. I interviewed Mrs. Troxell and asked her a few questions. One thing I asked about was what her day-to-day responsibilities when she is working with the students.

Troxell replied, " When working with the kids, I have to plan, come up with fun and engaging

activities, and there is really a lot you have to do." The job she does takes lots of thought and interference. We talked on why she decided to come to our school and teach our learners math. In response, Mrs. Troxell stated that she came to work at our school because she has always loved math. Another thing Mrs. Troxell answered with, is that once our school offered her a job, and she said she just couldn't turn it down. Although she has a small room to work in, Mrs. Troxell does her best to teach the children.

Troxell stated, "You have

to be caring, have an understanding of how kids think, love math, and you have to be passionate." As you can see, this job has many qualifications to meet, and you not only do you have to like math, you have to really accept the idea of how children's minds work and understand where they are coming from.

All in all, Mrs. Troxell carries a very important job. With that being said, remember to think about what all teachers do to get the right education for their students!

S.A.B.E.R.S.

Alexander McNaughton

Reporter

Attention all students!! CME S.A.B.E.R.S is beginning! What is S.A.B.E.R.S you ask? I interviewed Mrs. Kowalski, one of the club's leaders, to get more information. S.A.B.E.R.S is an anti bullying club helping students overcome bullying at CME. S.A.B.E.R.S, or **Students Against Bullying Encouraging Real Solutions** and the ambassadors, help students learn about bullies and how to stand up for themselves.

Mrs. Kowalski thinks this club is so successful because students want solutions to their social struggles and she can help. Mrs. Kowalski also thinks that an anti-bullying club can be beneficial to our school because students use problem solving skills to prevent bullying. For instance, students fill out daily sheets that can help them to identify different types of bullies in real life situations. I'm sure you can see how this would be a good thing to learn. I was lucky enough to partake in S.A.B.E.R.S last year and go alongside

Mrs. Kowalski. We put on a play for the second graders and we helped put the board up in the hall with motivational text. That was a lot of fun! We also watch really informational videos that taught us a lot about how to react to bullies. Mrs. Kowalski likes this club because students feel successful and learn to stand up for what's right, which is my favorite. Fourth and fifth graders are the oldest and more mature so they have been chosen to take on the challenge. There is no fee to be a part of S.A.B.E.R.S.

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Students Against Bullying Encouraging Real Solutions

Rise Above BULLYING

New Technology on the Way

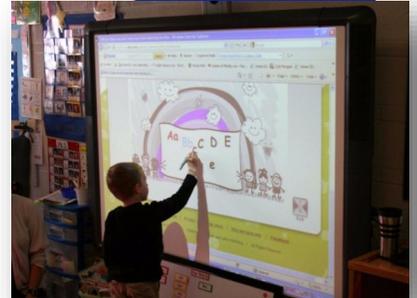
Angelina DeBlasi

Newspaper Reporter

All thanks to the school, a large handful of our teachers have new smart boards. These new boards are called Promethean boards. Promethean boards have many features that are helpful to the class and makes things easier to manage. For example, writing on the board. The teachers who have the Promethean boards are given a small pen, not big and bulky ones. The new pens help people effortlessly write with them and there are more

colors to choose from. These pens create a thin line and when you are on the white board page, you can select any color you would like to use, as well as different shades of highlighters. Not to mention, they write exactly on the place they are used on, not off-center like the so-called old 'smart' boards. Another thing the Promethean boards are useful for is that you or your teacher can get access to Google, the Chromium option, etc. without needing to use the teacher computer! This definitely helps the teacher so he or she doesn't have to freeze the screen to continue what

they were doing. That alone helps because sometimes it will be a video and it would then freeze the video! The wireless keyboard and mouse are also a great addition. They allow your teacher to select things and type on the board while teaching or just not being at their desk. So, these new and easy to use boards have some great features that can help you, your teacher, and your peers in the classroom.



A young student uses the Promethean board in class.

Pumpkin's Story

Brayden Pena

Staff Writer

When Pumpkin, the miniature horse was born, there was something wrong with her legs. It hurt the little horse to walk or even stand. She needed help, and fast. Pumpkin got lots of love from her animal

and human families, plus the support of thousands of online fans from across the globe. Find out what happens next to this little horse!



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Newspaper Reporter

What's the scoop on the Oasis Elementary North's Newspaper Club? Who are behind the scenes with these amazing articles? I interviewed Angelina DeBlasi and Nikayla Bendezu, current staff members in the club on their point of view on why they joined. I asked Angelina why she started Newspaper Club last school year, and she responded with, "I like to inform others about what is going on locally." Angelina started Newspaper Club in 2018 and it is still going smoothly. Angelina also said, "I enjoy writing and typing". I also interviewed Nikayla and she said, "I joined Newspaper Club because I like to write articles, and Be In THE Spotlight!" That's the inside scoop on this year's newspaper staff.

Alexander McNaughton
Newspaper Staff

Fortnite is a first person battle royal with millions of people playing every day. In my opinion it's the best game in the world because of the balance of skills, teamwork and the satisfaction of winning.

Fortnite is out with a brand new chapter 2 to be exact. This is what has been added:

- a brand new map
- reskin of all the items
- boats
- vaulted items which include, Batman Items, Bouncer, Chug Jug, Launch Pad, Shockwaves, etc.
- new battle pass
- new skins
- new gliders
- new dances
- new wraps

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Game is not suitable for children under the age of 12.**

Editor-in-Chief's Message

Angelina DeBlasi

Editor

We have come quite a long way in the Newspaper Club this year. It is fun to see the school and the people in it grow. Not to mention, experiencing all the fun events and fundraisers. All of us writers from the Newspaper Club really do hope you can learn more about our school system and what goes on from reading our articles. Each issue we write is to help parents, students, and really anyone at home understand what we do as a school. For the most part, we try to dedicate our newspapers to be informational and give parents an inside on what goes on. However, we do like giving the occasional simple, cheesy, fun articles. So with that being said, we are all doing our best to spread the news about what goes on in our school.

Meet our Newspaper Staff

Shyann McLain



Nikayla Bendezu

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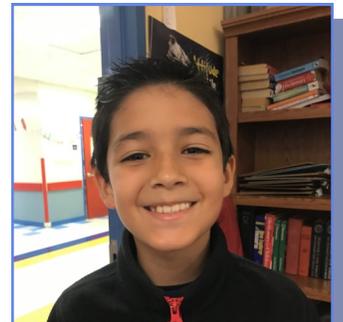
Ceili Clark

What's my favorite thing about newspaper? It's working with all the friendly people.



Angelina DeBlasi

One of my favorite parts of being in newspaper club is that we get to use our creativity and view other opinions that our peers have!



Donovan Gil

I really just enjoy typing and I get into a zone and it feels good on my fingers.



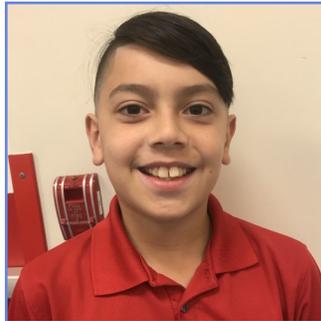
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Alexander McNaughton

I enjoy newspaper because I have the freedom to write whatever I want and work with other nice kids.



Brayden Pena

I like newspaper because you get to write about whatever you want and work together!



Mia Thompson

It is really fun to write about cool things with people that you get along with.