

# Col. Fred Cherry Middle School

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Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome back to school! We are thrilled to have you all back for another exciting year of learning and growth. This year, our school theme is "All-In." We chose this theme because we believe that success in school and in life requires a commitment to being fully present and engaged in everything we do.

Being "All-In" means giving your best effort in everything you do, whether it's completing homework, participating in class discussions, or working on group projects. It means being willing to take risks and try new things, even if they feel challenging or outside of your comfort zone. It also means showing kindness and respect to your classmates and teachers, and being an active member of our school community.

We believe that when we are "All-In," we can achieve great things together. We can learn from each other's strengths and weaknesses, and support each other through the ups and downs of the school year. We can build strong relationships that will last long after you leave our hallways.

So, let's make this year one to remember. Let's be "All-In" in everything we do, and let's support each other as we work towards our goals. We can't wait to see what you will accomplish this year!

Sincerely,

Jamel Gibson, Principal

## **Important Dates Below**

Tuesday, August 22, 2023 - 6th Grade Hawk Camp Orientation - 4-6 pm **(This is a 6th grade only event)**

Thursday, August 31, 2023 - Colonel Fred Cherry Middle School Open House Event - 4-6 pm  
**(This is for 7th & 8th grade students and 6th grade students who did not attend Hawk Camp)**

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 - First day of school

Thursday, September 7, 2023 - Student Grade Level Town Hall Meetings **(Students only)**

**Colonel Fred Cherry Middle School Office Hours**

**Summer School Business Hours** - Monday - Thursday - 7:00 - 5:00

**Regular School Business Hours** - Monday - Friday - 6:30 - 3:00

**Student Hours**

7:00 - 2:00 pm

**Early Release Days**

7:00 - 11:25 am

School Website Address

<https://www.spsk12.net/cfcms>