



JOHN J. ALLISON JR. CREC POLARIS CENTER

NEWS & NOTES



POLARIS CENTER SCHOOL HOURS

**Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday**
8:00AM - 2:00PM

Wednesday*
8:00AM - 12:30PM

*Wednesdays are
designated
Professional
Learning
days for our staff.

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year!

After spending the month of August preparing for this school year, I am excited for the return of staff and students to the building.

As I begin my 25th year in education, I continue to be amazed by the dedication of the professionals I work with here at Polaris. Every staff member, be it teachers, social workers, support staff or assistants are committed to the success of your children. They work tirelessly each day, developing relationships, educating, and supporting your students.

Please plan on attending our Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 14 from 5:30-7. This is an opportunity for your child to show you their school and meet their teacher, social worker and some of their support staff. We will be serving pizza in the cafe and Ms. Bruzzi will have an art activity for families to participate in.

At this time there are no changes in our COVID procedures. In compliance with Governor Lamont, the Department of Public Health, and CREC, masks can be worn at the discretion of the caregiver. Polaris will continue with the health and safety practices that serve us well. These practices include: frequent hand washing & additional disinfecting of common surfaces during the school day and each evening. If you have any questions related to COVID-19, please reach out to our school nurse, Marlena Torres.

The faculty, staff, and I are eager to welcome all of our students for a successful 2022-2023 school year. Please be sure to send your child in with the updated contact forms and enrollment paperwork that was sent over the summer. If at any time, you have feedback or questions about the Polaris community, I can be reached at 860.289.8131 or kmaio@crec.org.

Kindly,
Kelly Maio
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST 31
1ST DAY OF
SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 5
NO SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER 14
OPEN HOUSE
5:30PM—7:00PM

HOW CAN WE HELP?

Kelly Maio
Principal
kmaio@crec.org

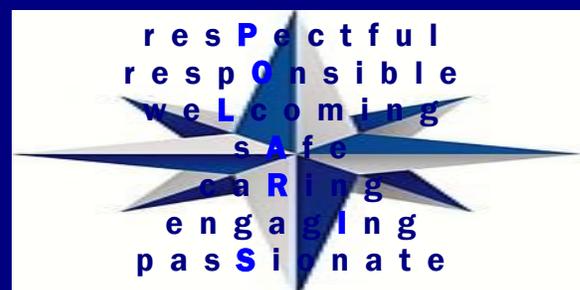
Kenterra Carrion
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NEW STAFF FOR '22-'23

Steven Kaggwa, Associate Instructor
Joshua Krieger, Teacher
Aaron Spruance, Associate Instructor
Jordon Stewart, Associate Instructor
Sarah Surdan, Associate Instructor
Erica Teti, Social Worker

POLARIS CORE VALUES





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This story can fit 150-200 words.

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You can also research articles or find "filler" articles by accessing the World Wide Web. You can write about a variety of topics but try to keep your articles short.

Much of the content you put in your newsletter can also be used

for your Web site. Microsoft Publisher offers a simple way to convert your newsletter to a Web publication. So, when you're finished writing your newsletter, convert it to a Web site and post it.

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Business Name

Primary Business Address

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555

Fax: 555-555-5555

Email: someone@example.com

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.



Organization

Business Tagline or Motto

We're on the Web!
example.com

Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organiza-

tion is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

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insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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