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March 14th Walkout Web Posting

On March 14th, students across the country will be participating in a National School Walkout to protest a lack of action on the part of lawmakers to pass legislation dealing with gun violence, mental health services, and school safety. This walkout is being organized by Women’s March Youth EMPOWER. The walkout is to begin at 10:00, and last for 17 minutes, representing the 17 people killed in the shooting at Marjory Stoneman High School in Parkland, FL.

We hope that parents of CMHS students will educate themselves on the walkout, and talk with their child(ren) about the issues behind it, and the possible consequences of participating in this type of civic action. You can find information about the march at <https://www.womensmarch.com/enough/>

As educators, we here at Crete-Monee High School must balance our students’ desire to raise their voice on issues they feel passionately about with our responsibility to provide a safe and orderly learning environment. To that end, March 14th will be a regular school day here at CMHS. Classes will follow our regular schedule, and attendance will be taken each period. Students who want to participate in the National School Walkout will not be blocked from doing so. Any work missed while on the walk-out will have to be made up.

In order to ensure the safety of any students who choose to participate, CMHS staff members not assigned to classrooms will be monitoring the halls and the lawn outside the school. The presence of these staff members should in no way suggest that the school is taking a position on the issues raised by the students. Their presence is merely to provide safety and security for students who choose to participate. The views and opinions expressed by the students are theirs alone, and do not reflect the official policies or position of Crete-Monee High School or Crete-Monee District 201U.