We are nearly at the end of our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the school year!! By starting school on August 17<sup>th</sup> this past year, we will be able to complete the first semester right before the winter break. There will be eleven days off for students to break up the long winter/spring span of time. Also, if there aren't a lot of inclement weather days, we will be done with school before Memorial Day again.

The Cornell School Board will be setting the 2023-24 school calendar at their October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. An exact start date has not been determined yet, but I'm suggesting (W) August 23, 2023. If you have any thoughts you would like to share on this, please feel free to contact me. In my experience, students are ready to come back to school in August for sports and/or to see their friends. However, whenever spring hits, being March or May, students have a more difficult time staying focused on academics as they want to get outside again. Going to school in June has proven to not be real effective or efficient.