

Canmore Collegiate High School 1800 - 8th Ave 403-678-6192

August 20th, 2024

Hello Canmore Collegiate High School Families,

I hope you and your family have had a good summer. We are excited about welcoming our CCHS students back to school and continuing to build a safe and connected school community.

I would like to introduce myself as the CCHS Principal for the 2024-2025 school year. I feel fortunate to be working in such a dynamic school with a committed staff and diverse and motivated students. Ms. Jody Keon will be part of our administrative team as Assistant Principal this year. We are delighted to welcome her to CCHS as she has a wealth of leadership skills and instructional expertise to share with us. This email is long, our apologies! But, it contains important information to set up your student for success this school year.

A key part of your student's success at CCHS is clear communication with the school. We invite you to carefully read through all the information in this letter so that your child is set up for success as school starts up. There are many ways you can continue to stay up to date with school details. Each week we will send home important information via email about the upcoming week. Our website is regularly updated with key information. We encourage you to come with your student to meet your child's teacher at our event on **Thursday September 5th** and to stay in contact with the school by using your Parent Portal and asking your child to regularly show you their Google Classrooms for each of their subjects. We ask you to encourage your child to self advocate by speaking with their classroom teacher directly to get extra support and solve problems early but we also invite you to email teachers for clarification about your child's class as well. All teacher emails follow this format <u>firstname.lastname@crps.ca</u>

# Parent Info Night and "Meet the Teacher"

# **Thursday September 5th**

# Grade 9 and new families

5-6pm Theater. Grade 9 and new family parent info night plus information on Outcomes Based Assessment for grade 9's ONLY this year6-7pm Tour the School and meet your student's teachers

# Grade 12 students and families

5-6pm Tour the School and meet your student's teachers6-7pm Theater. Grade 12 graduation and parent information night <u>Grade 12 Grad Handbook</u> Please review this handbook with your student prior to the meeting.

# School Council

We value your input and would be grateful if you could attend our School Council meetings which take place each month at 7pm. You can attend in person or virtually. **Our first meeting is set for Tuesday September 17th.** These meetings are a key tool in the home school communication and your opportunity to gain insight into daily life and decisions at CCHS. A virtual link and reminder is sent out via email in the days before the meeting.



Here are some important details to support your student's return to school next week.

# Student Schedules

Student schedules are finalized and are now available on the parent portal. Schedules were finalized with students in June for Grades 9-12. We are not making timetable changes unless the course is required for graduation, a student has failed a course, or does not have the prerequisite needed for the requested course. Grade 12 students requesting timetabling changes for graduation or post secondary needs must contact Ms. Annabel Preece prior to the deadline of September 6th 2024. You can reach out via email annabel.preece@crps.ca or via the main office. No changes, drops or withdrawals for grade 12's will be accepted after September 6th.

# School Startup

On *Monday, August 26th*, students will begin the school year with school start up activities in the school gym. It is anticipated that students will need to be at school for one hour.

All students will

- Have their photos taken
- Fill their lockers or sign up for a locker in the library
- Ensure they remember their network username and password (main office for support)
- Pick up timetables in the gym
- Find their class locations (self guided)

# Please note that once start up activities have been completed, students then leave the school

Students returning to CCHS will follow this schedule:

- Grade 12 9:30am
- Grade 11 10:30am
- Grade 10 noon

Grade 9's - from CRPS feeder schools

Start up activities for Grade 9's begin at 1pm on August 26th in the gym

Grade 9's who participated in our transition activities at LGMS and Exshaw Schools in May and June can proceed directly to the photo and timetable stations at 1pm and complete their own start-up activities. However, they are welcome to join the new student tour for grade 9's at the time listed below.



# Families and Students new to CCHS - All grades

Families of students new to CRPS will meet at the time outlined below and work with one of our teachers to tour the school and complete the startup activities listed above.

Student grade level times for the first day are as follows:

- Grade 12 students 9:30 am Please meet Ms. Hiles outside the main office by the front doors.
- Grade 11 students 10:30 am Please meet Ms. Grecu outside the main office by the front doors
- Grade 10 students 12:00 Please meet Mr. Bittner and Mr. Anderson outside the main office by the front doors .
- Grade 9 students arriving at 1:00 pm Please meet Ms. Warrick and Mr. McQueen outside the main office by the front doors

New grade 9 students who did not participate in transition activities at LGMS or Exshaw School are required to join the grade 9 tour, those who did are welcome to join if they wish

# International students

Please follow your directions from the International Student Program.

# Our regular class schedule will commence on Tuesday, August 27th at 8:15am.

#### Lockers

Our online locker system will be available for students to select a locker within the school starting at 8:00 am on August 23, 2023. The logon page has a map of the school locker locations and can be found <u>here</u> (<u>http://cchs.lockerassignment.com/</u>). Please note that grade 9 and 10 and 11 students must share a locker.



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# School hours for 2023-2024

Time	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tue</u>	Wed	<u>Thu</u>	<u>Fri</u>	<u>½ Day Fri</u>
<u>8:25- 9:52</u>	A	A	A	A	A	<u>8:25 – 10:01</u>
<u>9:52 -9:58</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u> <u>10:01-10:06</u>
<u>9:58 – 11:25</u>	B	<u>B</u>	B	<u>B</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>10:06 -11:42</u>
<u>11:25 – 12:25</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Dismissal</u> <u>11:42</u>
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<u>1:52 – 1:58</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	<u>Break</u>	
<u>1:58 – 3:25</u>	₽	D	D	D	D	

#### 2024-2025 Division Calendar





# <u>New Staff</u>

Please welcome the following new staff to CCHS:

Jody Keon - Assistant Principal Dave Purcell - Learning Support Teacher Jessica Lafreniere - French Immersion and French Language Arts Teacher Joanna Doroszko - Cosmetology Jaclyn Farmer Haywood - Counselor (social emotional and universal supports, non teaching staff member) Lana Scott-Moncrieff - Educational Assistant

# Upcoming Important dates

Please don't forget to stay on top of what is going on at Canmore Collegiate High School through our school website at <u>https://cchs.crps.ca/</u>. Here you will find information about upcoming events, our student handbook and information about our programming.

For up to date information about our school, we will continue to send families a weekly newsletter via email with information about important upcoming events and information about our school. These will be archived on our website. More in depth information can be found in the <u>student handbook</u>. Please review this document carefully with your student prior to the first day of classes.

We look forward to seeing all of our students next week and look forward to working with all of our families this upcoming school year. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions either by phone or email at <u>annabel.preece@crps.ca</u> (Principal) jody.keon@crps.ca (Assistant Principal) or 403-678-6192.

Thank you,

Annabel Preece Principal Jody Keon Assistant Principal Canmore Collegiate High School