

August 30th, 2024
Dear CCHS families,

Our school staff have had a wonderful week getting to know our students and building community within their classes. We know that taking the time to get to know students at the start of a course will lead to stronger teaching and learning throughout the semester. We have enjoyed seeing students taking active movement breaks and we are impressed with how quickly students are adapting to our new [Personal Device and Social Media Policy](#).

We are delighted to welcome Mr. Matt Onyschuk to our staff. In addition to teaching two core classes, Mr. O will gradually be taking on the role of Graduation and Post Secondary Advisor. Ms. Timm will continue leading our Work Experience and RAP (Trades) program and Mr. Holthuis, as a Division Principal, will support our work in this area.

Meet the Teacher and Open House September 5th 2024

We look forward to welcoming all families and students grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 to come to CCHS to **'Meet the Teacher' on September 5th from 5-7pm**. Teachers will be available in rooms throughout the school so that your student can bring you to meet their teachers and you can get to know them.

In addition, from **5-6pm we will hold a Grade 9 and New to CCHS family info session** in the CCHS Theater. This will include essential information about your child's journey at CCHS. Please review our [student handbook](#) in preparation for this meeting. Immediately following this an information session on Outcomes Based Assessment will begin. As a reminder, students will continue to receive a percentage final grade in all their courses. This presentation is for Grade 9 families only.

From **6-7pm we will hold a Graduation information session** for our Grade 12 families and students in the Theatre. Please review the [Grad Handbook](#) in preparation for this meeting.

International Student Program

Our school community is excited to welcome 33 International Program Students to CCHS from many different countries including Brazil, Spain, Italy, Australia, Germany, France, Finland, Switzerland, Denmark and Japan. These students are here to improve their English, learn about Canadian culture and explore the beauty of the place we call home. We are fortunate to have these students here to share their worldviews with our students so we can experience a little more of the world right here at home.

Welcome Back Assembly and BBQ

We will celebrate our community with an **assembly and BBQ for students on September 6th**. On this day we will run a modified timetable to ensure students still attend all classes throughout

the day but have time to build relationships and celebrate our fantastic school together. School still begins and ends at the same time.

Final Course Changes (Add/Drop) for Grade 12's

Timetables were finalized for grade 9, 10 and 11 students in June. Grade 12 students who require changes to their schedule for graduation or post secondary purposes must complete those changes with Ms. Preece **by 3:25 pm on Friday September 6th.**

School Council Meeting

Our first School Council meeting for parents will be held in the CCHS cafeteria (with a virtual connection available) at **7pm on September 17th.** We encourage all families with a student at CCHS to attend this meeting to gain a deeper understanding of our school and the opportunities provided to students. You can reach our school council directly by emailing cchsptcouncil@gmail.com

Nakoda Classic Pow Wow

The [Nakoda Classic Pow Wow 2024](#) is happening this weekend in Mînî Thnî and we wish all of our students and families participating in this wonderful event a joyful experience.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to continuing to work with you to support your student(s) throughout this school year.

Ms. Annabel Preece
Principal
Ms. Jody Keon
Assistant Principal