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Secondary Update - August 26, 2020

Hello CCS Families!

Teachers are back and school preparations are continuing to progress as we near the first day of school. We are so excited to welcome our students and be back together (in person or online). Our school building will have a new look with entrance/exit doors, labelled and separated one way and multi-directional hallways, dedicated stairwells going up or down, additional cleaning and sanitation practices, and so much more. We have two new Administration Assistants at our front office, April and Michelle, who will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

Our first week together (September 2-4) will also have a new look as we implement a staggered start. This will allow us to welcome all of our students and introduce the new protocols and procedures prior to having everyone back in the building at once. Please see the updated information below for more details on when your child will be in the building. We hope to make the transition back to school as smooth as possible for all involved.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact one of us if you have any other questions.

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New Information

1. Staggered Start

- a. Wednesday, September 2 Grade 7, 10 & 12
- b. Thursday, September 3 Grade 8, 11 & 12
- c. Friday, September 4 Grade 9

2. Schedules and Homerooms

- a. HS check your PowerSchool to see which courses you are enrolled in. Any desired changes will be requested via an online form this year. Stay tuned for more information and direction later this week. New families in Grades 10-12 will be receiving more information regarding how to set up your account in PowerSchool shortly.
- b. MS Welcome letters will be sent out on Friday! This letter will include your child's homeroom teacher, more details on school start up, and a schedule.

3. Online Learning

a. Online learners - watch for more information on what your program will look like to come out on Friday!

4. Important Details

- a. All students, staff, and visitors are required to wear a mask upon entering the school. The mask needs to stay on in all hallways and common areas. As per the guidance of AHS, masks may be required in some classroom spaces where adequate spacing is not available. Specific doors will be identified as entrance/exit doors and sinks/hand sanitizer is available for use as you enter.
- b. Cohorts
 - i. In Middle School, each homeroom will function as a cohort. Each cohort will remain in their assigned classroom for the duration of the day and teachers will move from room to room. Brain/body breaks will be incorporated throughout the day.
 - ii. In High School, semester one will feature a Grade 10 cohort and a Grade 11/12 cohort. Students will be moving from room to room and surfaces will be disinfected in between classes.
- c. CCS will remain an open campus which means that students in Grades 8-12 will be allowed to leave campus for lunch. While off campus, students will be expected to follow the protocols in place for all citizens of Calgary. Upon return,

- they will need to follow the same entry protocol to ensure adequate sanitization has taken place.
- d. Grade 7 families join Mrs. Vienneau for a Grade 7 Information Night on Monday, August 31 @7pm. We will meet using Zoom, a link will be included in Friday's letter.. This would be a great opportunity for parents and students to hear more about what Grade 7 life will look like. If you have any questions, please ask them ahead of time through this form and Mrs. Vienneau will try to incorporate as many answers into her presentation as possible.
- e. All visitors must book an appointment through the front office prior to coming into the school. (Email: ccssoffice@pallisersd.ab.ca or ph: 403.242.2896 ext300)
- f. Microwaves are no longer available please bring a lunch that does not require heating up.
- g. Extracurricular athletics have been postponed by our school division. This will be revisited at the end of September once school has opened up. Modified PE classes will continue to run with no access to change rooms.
- h. Outside doors will open each morning at 8:15am. Students will enter, sanitize/wash hands, and head to their first class. There is no usage of lockers at this time.
- i. Supplies Students will need to bring their own school supplies as we are unable to allow students to share supplies or have shared classroom supplies available. Supply lists are <u>posted here</u>.