



Friday, September 9, 2022

Dear Carson Graham Community,

What an amazing week it has been! It has been wonderful to see all of the activity in the building and we have been most impressed with our students as they have transitioned back from summer break. Counsellors and office staff have been working hard to get students settled and we thank you for your patience as we have worked through this.

We want to remind families that Wednesday, September 14th marks the first “late start” of the year. This will be the first of a series of Staff Collaborations that will occur throughout the year. This time allows us to meet the obligations of being an IB school and focus on other school-wide initiatives. During this time, staff are collaboratively developing, reflecting and refining their units of instruction both within their subject area and across disciplines. Ultimately, this targeted time is intended to continually improve our teaching practices. The instructional day will begin at 9:52am and end at 3:00 pm on these days:

Staff Collaboration	8:30 - 9:50
Period 2/5	9:52 - 10:52
Period 3/6	10:56-11:56
Period 1/7	12:00-1:00
Lunch	1:00-2:00
Period 4/8	2:00 – 3:00

Please see below for some other important updates and dates:

### **Grade Assemblies**

We will be having a series of grade assemblies so that we can introduce key staff and community members, discuss the upcoming school year and review the code of conduct. Students are asked to attend their regular classes and teachers will escort them to the large gym at their designated time. Students with study blocks are asked to also attend at the time indicated below for their grade level:

#### **Monday, September 12th (Day 2- 7568)**

Grade 8 - 9:20

Grade 9 - 10:35

Grade 10 - 11:45

#### **Tuesday, September 13th (Day 1- 1234)**

Grade 11 - 10:30

Grade 12 - 11:45





### **Photo Retakes**

Students who did not have their photo taken on Tuesday will be able to do so on Photo Retake Day which will occur on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Grade 8 BBQ and Parent Night**

Families and students are invited to join us on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm for a PAC-sponsored BBQ.

The evening will continue at 6:30pm in the Gym with a short presentation after which parents will move through their child's schedule. Parents are asked to bring a copy of their child's schedule/timetable with them. Each class will last only a few minutes and during the classes, teachers will give an overview of their course. We look forward to meeting all our new parents at this event.

### **Athletics**

Our Fall athletics program is up and running so it is important to sign up for a team as soon as possible. The teams we offer depend on student interest and the availability of coaches and sponsors. Tryout and practice schedules have been shared in MS Teams (grade level teams) and are also on Instagram.

If you have questions, please see our Athletic Director, Mr. Grant or send him an email at [dgrant@sd44.ca](mailto:dgrant@sd44.ca).

### **MyEducation BC Access**

Parents and students will have access to [MyEdBC](#) on September 21<sup>st</sup>. These accounts are currently "disabled."

### **School District Permission Forms**

Each year, parents/guardians are asked to complete school district permission forms online using our [SchoolCash Online system](#). Instructions on how to complete the following forms have been sent to families via email and you are asked to complete these forms online as soon as possible:

- Impromptu Walking Field Trip Informed Consent
- Personal Information Consent for School District Publications
- Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement





## Upcoming Events

September 12-13- Grade Assemblies  
September 12- Grade 8 Parent Night @6:30 pm (BBQ @5:30 pm)  
September 14- Late Start @9:52am  
September 17- Buchanan Bowl  
September 19-22- Grade 8 Retreat  
September 23- School-Based Professional Day (No Classes)  
September 26- Club Fair  
September 28- Late Start @ 9:52am  
September 29- Truth and Reconciliation Assembly (time to be announced)  
September 30- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)  
October 4- Grade 12 Parent Evening  
October 5- Curriculum Implementation Day (No Classes)  
October 11- Photo Retake Day  
October 12- Late Start @9:52am, PAC Meeting @7:00pm  
October 10- Thanksgiving Day (Schools Closed)  
October 21- District Professional Day (No Classes)  
October 26- Late Start @ 9:52am

Enjoy the sun this weekend,

Suzette Dohm  
Principal

