

NEWSLETTER



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Back to School!

August 2008



Dear Parents and Caregivers:

Welcome to the 2008-2009 School Year at Central Collegiate! I extend a special welcome to those students and parents new to our school and to the community of Moose Jaw.

At Central, we pride ourselves on a rich history of academic excellence. We are committed to offering:

1. A safe and caring learning environment,
2. Quality instruction in the classroom and
3. A well-rounded extra-curricular program.

We have an experienced staff who care about our students and believe in offering the best instructional and assessment practices to students. We want students and parents to understand that Central is a great place and that school work is an important priority. We maintain high expectations for students and will hold them accountable for their behaviour. All issues of drugs, bullying and violence will be investigated. It is our belief students learn best within a safe and caring learning environment.

There are numerous activities in which students can engage at Central. Extra-curricular activities ranging from athletics to fine arts, yearbook and student leadership serve to enhance high school learning experiences. We strongly encourage extra-curricular involvement as such participation forms the foundation of positive relationships and life-long memories.

Earlier this week, your son/daughter should have taken home information related to school fees, student health and appropriate use of school computers. Please read, sign and return these to the school by September 5. We look forward to working with your child(ren) and look forward to meeting you. If at any time you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school at 693-4691.

Sincerely,
Mr. S. Williamson

SCHOOL BELLS

- 8:40 Warning Bell—classrooms open
- 8:45 Announcements/ Attendance/ Period 1 begins
- 9:50 Period 1
- 9:55 Period 2 begins
- 10:55 Period 2 ends/ Long Break
- 11:05 Period 3 begins
- 12:05 Period 3 ends/ Lunch
- 1:05 Warning Bell—classrooms open
- 1:10 Period 4 begins
- 2:10 Period 4 ends
- 2:15 Period 5 begins
- 3:15 Classes dismissed



SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Council's Annual General Meeting will take place October 29th at 7:00 p.m. Watch future newsletters for further details and information.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

We ask if your child is absent from school that you notify the main office as soon as possible. The school's voice mail is active 24 hours a day. If you are unable to notify the school please send a signed note with your child upon their return to school.

Students who are marked absent from one or more classes during the day and have not had their absence cleared by a note or phone call may receive a call from the school automated phone message system.

Should you have any questions regarding your child's attendance please contact the vice principal.

STUDENT FEES

Student Fees for the 2008/2009 school year are as follows:

\$50 fee which covers the cost of the yearbook and student activities throughout the year.

\$20 textbook fee for new students. This fee is refunded upon graduation or when a student leaves if the student's textbooks and library books are all returned.

Locks are \$5 each. Grade Nine students will require two locks—one for their daily locker and one for their phys ed locker. Students are not required to purchase locks from the school.

Agendas are \$6 each. Grade Nine students and students new to Central Collegiate receive their first one at no charge.



Please remit the student fees as soon as possible. Please make your cheques payable to Central Collegiate. Post-dated cheques will be accepted—please highlight the date or attach a note. Receipts will be issued upon request only.

Please visit us @ www.centralcollegiate.ca for up to the minute CCI news.

2008 – 2009

CENTRAL COLLEGIATE SCHOOL CALENDAR

Semester One 2008-2009

Semester Two 2008–2009

Thursday, August 21	Teacher In-service (no classes)	Thursday, January 29	Semester Two Begins , 8:40 (Day 1)
Friday, August 22	Professional Learning Community Meeting No classes	Friday, January 30	Report Card Three Issued
Thursday, August 21	Grade 9 Orientation Evening 7:00 p.m.	Friday, February 6	Professional Learning Community Meeting No classes
Monday, August 25	Semester One Begins , 8:45 a.m. (Day 1)	Monday, February 16	Family Day Holiday
Friday, August 29	Picture Day	Tues. to Fri., February 17 to 20	Spring Break
Monday, September 1	Labour Day (no school)	Monday, February 23	Classes Resume
Tues. to Fri., Sept 2 to 5	Welcome Week	Wednesday, March 18	Report Card Four Issued
Friday, September 5	CCI Dance	Friday, March 20	Professional Learning Community Meeting No classes
Friday, September 26	Teacher Convention—no classes	Friday, March 27	Teacher Convention—no classes
Wednesday, October 1	Report Card One Issued	Thursday, April 2	Parent-Teacher Interviews (6:30–8:30 p.m.)
Monday, October 13	Thanksgiving Day Holiday	Friday, April 3	Parent-Teacher Interviews (9:00 to noon) No classes all day
Thursday, October 23	Parent-Teacher Interviews (6:30–8:30 p.m.)	Friday, April 10	Good Friday Holiday
Friday, October 24	Parent-Teacher Interviews (9:00–noon) No classes all day	Mon. to Fri., Apr. 13 to 17	Easter Holidays (no classes)
Tuesday, November 11	Remembrance Day Holiday	Monday, April 20	Classes Resume
Friday, November 14	Report Card Two Issued	Friday, April 24	All Schools Dance
Friday, November 21	Professional Learning Community Meeting No classes	Wednesday, May 6	Report Card Five Issued
Friday, December 5	Professional Learning Community Meeting No classes	Monday, May 18	Victoria Day Holiday
Friday, December 19	Last Day of Classes—2:30 dismissal	Thursday, June 18	Last Day of Classes for Semester Two
Monday, January 5	Classes Resume	Friday, June 19	Semester Two Exams Begin
Wednesday, January 21	Last Day of Classes for Semester One	Wednesday, June 24	Semester Two Exams Conclude
Thursday, January 22	Semester One Exams Begin	Wednesday, June 24	Report Card Six Issued
Tuesday, January 27	Semester One Exams Conclude	Friday, June 26	Graduation—Cap & Gown Ceremony
Wednesday, January 28	School Based In-service—no classes	Saturday, June 27	Graduation—Grand March, Banquet, After Grad.

COACHES NEEDED!! We are in need of adults to work in a coaching capacity with our girls' and boys' soccer teams as well as junior boys' volleyball. If you, or someone you know, would be willing and able to help please contact Mr. Williamson at the school. Your interest and involvement is greatly appreciated.



WELCOME WEEK AT CENTRAL COLLEGIATE

During the week of September 2-5, Moose Jaw High Schools will be hosting "Welcome Week". Welcome week is intended to welcome our grade nines and students new to our school. Because your child's personal well-being is important, we want to inform you that older students will sometime host their own "Welcome" party. These parties are not sanctioned by Central Collegiate or any other Moose Jaw High School. These parties (usually within the first three weeks of school) are not suitable for Grade 9's. In the past, paddling and getting the "Freshie" drunk have been part of the evening. Ultimately, after-school activities are the decision of the parent but we wanted to give you a "heads up" and an opportunity to discuss with your child what may be occurring in their lives. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 693-4691.

SLC WELCOME WEEK ACTIVITIES



Welcome back to Central everyone! To get back into the swing of things the SLC has a few Welcome Week activities planned.

Tuesday, September 2—Hawaiian Day! Pizza and fruit punch will be sold at lunch for \$2.00.

Wednesday, September 3—Pajama Day! There will be a pancake breakfast from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the student lounge.

Thursday, September 4—House Team Day! Alpha, Delta, Kappa and Sigma House Leagues will dress up in their team color. Watch for posters to see which House Team you are on. There will be a Gymblast in the afternoon.

Friday, September - Red and Gold Day! Dress in our school colors for the Football Pep Rally. In the evening take in the Neon Graffiti School Dance in the CCI Gym. Water will be sold at the dance for \$1 and \$2 for pizza by the slice. The cost of dance tickets to be announced.

Listen for the announcement.



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