

August 15, 2016

Dear CAB Students and Families:

There are only a few weeks of summer left, and I hope you're able to enjoy every last minute you have with your family! This letter is to update you on some of the changes that I outlined earlier in the summer. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Summer Office Hours are every Monday-Thursday from 9:00am-12:00pm, and you can reach me by email or phone!

At school, we are busy getting ready for a new year, and for our Back to School Meet & Greet, scheduled for Monday, August 29, from 5:00-7:00pm! We can't wait to see you then, and have you meet our new teachers!

**New Start/End Times:**

Because we are required to have 180 school days this year, rather than 175, we have decided to change our start and end times for our school day. Beginning this year, our school day will begin at **8:15am**, and end at **3:10pm**.

We will still have early supervision in the auditorium for students beginning at 7:30am, when I arrive. The procedure for elementary students to go directly to the auditorium, unless accompanied by a parent to their locker, will stay the same. Elementary students will be released for class at 8:10am.

We have been in contact with the transit, and they do not see any concerns with our new times, but parents will still need to contact them directly to schedule buses for their children. The transit will likely still pick up students beginning at 3:20pm, which will give students a few more minutes to catch their bus!

**Daily Schedules:**

While I anticipated more changes to daily schedules for middle and high school students, we were able to achieve what we wanted with few structural changes! Therefore, 6th and 7th grade students will have year-long classes, and 8th grade will continue to have a blend of year-long classes, and block schedule classes, which are longer, and for half the year. High school students will have few changes, but will see some academic classes offered during seminar time, and will have a shorter last period class.

**\*\*Please note**—for 8-12th graders, there have been a couple of schedule changes since students came in to register, due to a couple errors that we didn't catch until students actually signed up. Affected students will receive a new schedule at Meet & Greet, or on the first day of school.

\*8th graders—A couple of your classes were reversed. We now have this fixed.

\*9th graders—Yes, you will be able to take Drama this year!

**New Staff:**

The following staff members will be joining the CAB family this year, and we look forward to having them with us! Please stop in to see them and introduce yourself at Meet & Greet! Also, watch for their bios to show up on our new website!

Mr. Carlson—Middle and High school Social Studies (while Mrs. Mills is on maternity leave)

Miss Farmer—Middle and High school Choirs, as well as 2nd-4th grade Music

Ms. Rice—Kindergarten teacher

Mrs. Ritter—Middle and High school Math

Mrs. Sloan—Middle and High school Science

**New Website:**

One goal that I've had for a while was to improve our existing website, and make it more user-friendly. Thank you for all of you who gave feedback in our surveys as well; your comments were well noted! Please check out our new website, and let us know what you think! Some parts are still under construction, but they will be getting finished up quickly!

[www.concordboyne.com](http://www.concordboyne.com)

Enjoy the next few weeks, and we'll see you all soon!

Sincerely,



Rebekah Leist