

# Central New Brunswick Academy

## School Newsletter

September 19, 2019

**“The vision of Central New Brunswick Academy is to encourage the development of accountable, confident critical thinkers and life-long learners who possess the skills to contribute to the success of their community.”**

It has been a couple of weeks since the school year began, and we are off to a good start. As the year progresses, we look forward to meeting you and working together throughout the year to ensure that the students at CNBA get the best education possible. We are very fortunate to have teachers and educational assistants who go above and beyond to assist in our endeavors to create a positive learning environment at CNBA that supports the academic growth of students.

For students, we encourage each of you to become involved in school life by participating in the various activities offered at CNBA; to accept leadership responsibilities; to challenge yourself academically and to be a proud member of your school community.

For parents/guardians, it is extremely important to remain current on school policies; to communicate with the school when an issue needing addressed arises; to encourage good study habits with your child and to ensure your child maintains regular attendance at school.

With the combined efforts of teachers, parents and students, we can guarantee an educational system that serves the students in this area well. Having a great facility, wonderful students, supportive parents and a caring community will allow our students/your children to make a strong presence in both the educational and athletic realm.

If you require any assistance during the school year, please contact the school. Please keep in mind that CNBA can be a busy place as we work hard to meet the needs of the students; therefore, we ask for your patience and understanding when you contact the school. We assure you that your concerns/inquiries will be addressed in a timely fashion. Out of respect for your child's school and his/her educators, please work through any issue with us as opposed to social media. We are willing to assist you in understanding decisions made at the school level or clarify realities distorted by misunderstandings.

We consider you as partners in education and will do our best to address your needs and/or those of your child's. Through partnerships at Central New Brunswick Academy, our efforts will contribute to the success of the 2019-2020 school year.

Yours in education,  
Barbara A. Long, Principal & Grant Ross, Vice-Principal

## OUR STAFF

### **Administration/Teaching Staff:**

Barbara A. Long – Principal; Distance Education Facilitator  
Grant Ross – Vice- Principal; Outdoor Pursuits/Education 110; Physical Education Leadership 120  
Kristy Brawn – Grade 6B homeroom; Language Arts 6 & 7; Resource Teacher  
Katheryne Hay - Grade 7H homeroom; Post-Intensive French 6 to 8; Social Studies 8; Personal Development & Career Planning 8  
Josh Campbell - Grade 8C homeroom; Math 6 to 9  
Jon Roe – Grade 8R homeroom; Physical Education 6 to 8; Social Studies & Science 6 & 7  
Julie Munn – Grade 9M homeroom; English 113/123; English 9 & 10  
Charissa Smith - Grade 9S homeroom- Music/Art 6 to 8; English 8  
Lyn Munn \_ Grade 10M homeroom; Science 9 & 10; Chemistry 112; Biology 120  
Shelley Carson – Grade 11C homeroom; English 112 & 122; Law 120; Individual & Family Dynamics 120  
Ryan Slade – Grade 11S homeroom; Post-Intensive French 9 to 12; Hospitality & Tourism 110  
Steven Carson - Grade 12C homeroom; Math 9 & 10; Foundations in Mathematics 110; Pre-Calculus A 120  
Carl Legere \_ Grade 12L homeroom; Financial & Workplace Math 110; Art 9; Digital Technology 110  
Ken Cullihall – Math 8R, Social Studies 10; Business Management & Organization 120; Physical Education 9  
Jason Davy – Science 8; Middle School Technology Education (MSTE); Intro to Environmental Science 120  
Jonathan Hunter – Social Studies 9; Computer Aided Design 110; Metal Fabrication 110; Culinary Technology 110  
Susan Elliott – Guidance Counsellor; Personal Development & Career Planning 6 & 7  
Lisa O'Donnell – Resource Teacher

**Administrative Assistant:** Michelle Arbeau      **Educational Assistants:** Iris Doak; Karen Beek; Christina Pratt  
**Cafeteria Staff:** Paula Munn & Carla Howe      **Library Staff:** Gail Ross & Krista Higgins  
**Custodians:** Rita Beek -Luce; Carla Black; Donna Hickey; Elissa Norwood  
**Bus Drivers:** Ryan Chase; Vernon Daigle; Graham Lyons; William Lyons; Tony Munn; Penny McAleer; Sonya McAlwee; Debbie Ward  
**Social Worker:** Lynsey Wilson- Norrad      **Nurse Practitioner:** Vanessa Betts  
**Child & Youth Team:** Beth Hatchard, Amy Ferguson, Barb Gallant, Anna Marie Colpitts, Pendle Dewhirst, Danielle Belyea, Shelley Keeling, Dawn Maskill

### Visitors

The safety of staff and students is very important to us. Therefore, all visitors (anyone not a student or immediate staff member) entering Central New Brunswick Academy, including the school property, are required to report to the main office immediately. Visitors are not permitted beyond the administrative area of the school without authorization and a visitor's tag. Visiting on the school property over lunch hour requires the same procedure as above. Visitors who have registered with the office will receive an identification badge to be worn while at CNBA. These badges let school staff/students know that the visitor has received permission to be in the building or on the school property for an extended period of time. Absence of the badge signifies that a person has not registered at the main office.

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- September 21<sup>st</sup>- Becca Schofield Day – Random Acts of Kindness; add your act of kindness (both received and performed) to hashtag #Beccatoldmeto
- Immunization Clinics – September 26<sup>th</sup>- Grades 7 & 9 students
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> - Motivational Presentation - Live Different
- September 24<sup>th</sup>- CNBA Open House/Social Evening - 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Grade 6 meeting at 6:45 p.m.; Grade 12 parent/student meeting at 7:00 p.m.; PSSC Elections at 7:30 p.m.
- September 27<sup>th</sup> – CNBA Terry Fox Run @ 2:00 p.m. (\$2 per person or a donation of choice)
- September 30<sup>th</sup> – Student Fees are due; Respiratory Therapist Presentation on vaping
- October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Middle School Dance
- October 14<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving Holiday \_ No School
- October 17<sup>th</sup> – Harvey Studios Grad Gown Shots & Outside Group Photo for grade 12 students
- October 18<sup>th</sup> – Harvey Studios Retake Day
- October 20<sup>th</sup> - Sports Fundraiser – Lumberjack Fun Run 2pm at RCUM Park.
- October 30<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Halloween Dance
- October 31<sup>st</sup> – School Clothing Order Due
- November 4<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards – Grades 9 to 12
- November 7<sup>th</sup> – CNBA Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 2:00 p.m.; Parent-Teacher Evening Interviews – 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (High School Only)
- November 8<sup>th</sup> - Professional Learning Day (Grades 6 to 8); Professional Learning/Parent Teacher (Grades 9-12) – no school for students.
- November 8<sup>th</sup> – Parent-Teacher Interviews (High School Only) – 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- November 11<sup>th</sup> - Remembrance Day Holiday – No School
- November 18<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards – Grades 6 to 8
- November 21<sup>st</sup> - Parent-Teacher Evening Interviews – 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Middle School Only)
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> - Professional Learning Day/Parent Teacher (Grades 6-8) – no school for students.
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> - Parent-Teacher Interviews (Middle School Only) – 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- November 30<sup>th</sup> – Grade 12 Class Christmas Market – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

### Transportation

In the interest of the safety of all concerned, it is essential all students traveling on the school buses behave responsibly and follow the rules and regulations as required by the bus driver and the school district. Failure to do so could result in the loss of bus privileges. Students in grades 6 to 8 may only travel on another bus for childcare purposes or other reasons deemed valid by administration. **Bus notes for alternate transportation for high school students are only permitted for reasons deemed appropriate.** No child can travel by school bus to attend social gatherings such as birthday parties, sleepovers, etc. For a student to travel on a different bus or be let off at a different stop, parents must notify the school. Once approved/validated, a bus note will be provided for the driver. A bus note from the office must be presented to the driver for a student to be transported on a different bus or dropped off at an alternate address on a student's route.

## Electronic Devices and Cell Phones

- Upon the beginning of homeroom at 8:20 a.m., your cell phone is to be turned off and secured away
- Cell phones can be used during break (15 minutes) and lunch time. It must be shut off at all other times. Upon return to class from breaks/lunch, phones will be secured away
- Cell phones are to be appropriately used. Cell phones that are used for cyber-bullying, communicating inappropriate messages or graphics, spreading gossip/slander, will result in the loss of cell phone privileges of the owner.
- Even though your cell phone may have photo capabilities, photos are not to be taken at school during the instructional day.
- **If you become ill while at school and need to go home, it is extremely important that you make the phone call home from the office.** The Administrative Assistant/Administrator will need to speak with a parent/guardian to care for your needs and ensure that transportation home is secured.
- When incidents occur at school, it needs to be dealt with by school staff without outside interference. **Students should not be contacting parents/guardians before school staff have had time to investigate/deal with an incident.**
- Cell phones that have been confiscated will be turned in to the office with battery in place. **Removing the battery is not an option.** A student may pick the phone up at the end of the day when consequences will be discussed.
- **In the case of high school students, cell phones or other electronic devices may be used during instructional time when the teacher deems them to have an instructional purpose. The teacher will inform students of the need to bring cell phones to class. These devices may only be used for the purpose/purposes prescribed by the teacher.**
- **Refusal to adhere to these guidelines is considered defiance and will be managed as non-compliance to school policy. Cell phones privileges may be revoked and/or the electronic device turned into the office**

In order to ensure that the learning environment is focused on instruction, we need parents'/guardians' assistance in respecting the above guidelines by not texting/calling students during the hours of instruction.

Non-instructional times are as follows:

8:00 – 8:20 a.m. Pre-homeroom

9:35 – 9:48 a.m. (Middle School students)

10:35 – 10:48 a.m. (High School students)

12:05 – 12:45 p.m. (Middle School students)

12:55 – 1:30 p.m. (High School students)

3:05 p.m. (Middle School students)

3:10 p.m. (High School Students)

Thank you for supporting us in maintaining an uninterrupted learning environment.

### Sign-In and Sign-Out Procedures

To create a safe school environment, students will be able to sign-out of school once the school office has received written or verbal consent from a parent/guardian. Students will remain in class until the parent/guardian has made a personal appearance at the school office to take responsibility for the student and complete the sign-out procedure. ***Students may not leave the school without permission.*** Students arriving at school after the homeroom period has begun in the morning or afternoon must **sign-in at the office.**

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### Attendance

Regular attendance at school contributes to academic success. Teachers will make home contact after a student misses 3 to 5 days, if school staff has not heard from the parent/guardian. After 5 days of being absent from school, additional absences will be monitored by administration/guidance to determine the point at which intervention is required. Contact via phone or written correspondence will be made in these cases.

Students who participate in extra-curricular activities are expected to be at school in order to participate in extra-curricular events. If there is a need to be late, the student must arrive at school prior to 10:00 a.m. in order to be eligible to participate in after school functions. The only exceptions to this guideline would be a note from a doctor/receptionist validating a need to be absent from school, which needs to be presented to the office upon the return to school.

### **No Child Without Program**

“No Child Without” Medical Alert bracelets are available for free to children up to age 14. Elementary schools should be receiving pamphlets soon which have the special PIN for coding. Meanwhile, families can call these numbers:

1-877-282-5378 between 10am – 6pm or 1-866-679-3220

Students aged 14 to 18 can get a reduced rate.

**Peanut Free School:** *Due to individuals with severe nut allergies, please refrain from sending any products with your child that contain or may contain nuts.*

**Scent Free School.** *Many persons are extremely sensitive to perfumes, colognes, after shave and other scented products.*

*Please do not wear scents at any time at school or on school busses.*

### **PSSC**

We need PSSC (Parent School Support Committee) members. I would like you to consider offering as a candidate for CNBA’s PSSC. The major responsibility of the Parent School Support Committee is to give advice regarding the establishment, implementation and monitoring of the School Improvement Plan. The committee meets approximately six times per year from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The regular term of office for PSSC parent members will be three years. There is no limit to the number of terms a parent member can serve if they are re-elected and they have at least one child enrolled in the school. Community members (interested people who do not have students in school) can offer to serve on the committee as well. Candidates may not be employees of the school in which their child attends. If you are interested, please call Barbara Long at 365-2090 or email at [barbara.long@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:barbara.long@nbed.nb.ca)

### **Magnets**

During the 2018-2019 school year PSSC committee members recognized the need to get school & District information into the hands of parents; therefore, with the funds allocated to the PSS magnets were created. Magnets were provided to grades 6 to 12 last year, as well as this year’s grade 6 students. Our hope is that the magnets provide you with contact information, as well as websites where information can be located when the need arises. Please place it in a prominent location for quick reference. If additional magnets are needed, please let the school know. Magnets courtesy of the Parent School Support Committee at CNBA

### **Student Fees**

A student fee of \$20 per student, or \$40 per family of three or more, is necessary to cover the cost of a yearly planner, rental fee for a locker and lock, exam booklets, school sponsored activities and I.D. card. NOTE: Student fees are to be paid by September 30<sup>th</sup>. The student fee must be paid for a student to participate in extra-Curricular activities.

### **Talk Mail/Attendance Manager**

The school utilizes the services of School Messenger. This enables us to send messages home to the entire student body or to particular grade levels by phone and/or email. Please make sure that the school has current phone numbers and email addresses. In respect to attendance, the system will send out a message at approximately 8:40 a.m. alerting you to the status of your child's attendance at school. If a student is absent (unexcused) or late to school/class, you will be alerted. To avoid a call on an absence of which you are aware, call the school with a valid reason for the absence prior to 8:30 a.m., or use the Safe Arrival System (information was sent home earlier this month). Late arrivals to school after 8:20 a.m., will go home to alert you that your child arrived late. At the end of the day, you will receive a call notifying you of any unexcused absences throughout the day. Please contact the school immediately to inform us of absences so that we can enter it in the system. Excuses must come from the parent/guardian and not from students. These guidelines allow school administrative staff to manage students' attendance at school to ensure all students are accounted for during the school day.

### **Visitor Parking**

We ask all visitors to please park in the parking lot and **not** in front of the school as it is a fire lane. If you are waiting to pick up a student, please wait in the parking lot area. From a safety perspective, if the Emergency Response Vehicles must respond to a situation at the school, the lanes through the parking lot become Emergency Lanes. Therefore, we are asking parents/visitors to park in one of the parking spots as opposed to parking in front of the school or in the fire lanes when you are picking up students. Please do not exit your vehicle if you are parked in front of the building or in the lanes as this can be an obstacle to the safe evacuation of students from CNBA. Please keep in mind that over 200 students could be exiting the front doors in the event of an evacuation. Any vehicles parked there put students at risk of injury; therefore, vehicles need to ensure that the emergency lanes are clear to assure the safety of all students.

### **Class of 2020 Fundraiser**

The Grade 12 students have started their annual fundraiser of selling potatoes. Please see any Grade 12 student to order. All orders must be in by Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> and will arrive at CNBA on Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> for delivery.

Potato prices are:

\$17 – 50 lb bag

\$12 – 20 lb box

\$20 – 50 lb box

CNBA Website: [cnba.nbed.nb.ca](http://cnba.nbed.nb.ca)

Find us on Facebook: Central New Brunswick Academy

## CNBA SOCCER HOME GAMES 2019 Opponent

Saturday	Sept. 21	Sr. Boys	12:00	DRHS
Wednesday	Sept. 25	Sr. Girls	4:30	ERBSA
Thursday	Sept. 26	Sr. Boys	4:30	Blackville
Friday	Sept. 27	MS Boys	5:00	Stanley
Wednesday	Oct. 2	Sr. Girls	4:30	Stanley
Thursday	Oct. 3	MS Girls	5:00	Harvey
Saturday	Oct. 5	Sr. Girls	12:00	DRHS
		Sr. Girls	3:00	AQV
Monday	Oct. 7	MS Boys	5:00	Harvey
Tuesday	Oct. 8	MS Girls	5:00	Stanley
Wednesday	Oct. 9	Sr. Girls	4:30	Blackville
Tuesday	Oct. 15	MS Girls	5:00	Harvey
Thursday	Oct. 17	Sr. Boys	4:30	ERBSA
Monday	Oct. 21	MS Boys	5:00	Harvey

Soccer sports fees – HS \$75                      MS - \$25      Due on or before Sept. 30.

Schedules are subject to change.

### SOCCER PRACTICES

Monday	3:15 – 4:45	MS Girls	Sr. Boys
Tuesday	3:15 – 4:45	MS Boys	Sr. Girls
Wednesday	3:15 – 4:45	MS Girls	Sr. Boys
Thursday	3:15 – 4:45	MS Boys	Sr. Girls
Friday	3:15 -	Open	Open