



CARIBOO HILL SECONDARY SCHOOL ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE CARIBOO HILL

8580 - 16th Avenue, Burnaby, BC V3N 1S6

Tel: 604-296-6890

September 3, 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

RE: School Opening for Grade 8-12 Students – Thursday, September 10 & Friday, September 11

As the summer holiday comes to a close, we look forward to welcoming you back to École Cariboo Hill Secondary School for another school year. We work hard to provide academic excellence in a respectful, caring environment and to keep you involved and informed. This letter includes some general information about the school as well as some more detailed information about the first week of classes for the 2020/2021 school year.

- **School District 41 Survey** – If you did not complete the SD41 survey, you may email Cariboo.Info@burnabyschools.ca to let the school know your learning choice.
- **Thursday, September 10** –
 - Grade 8 students will come to school as follows:
 - Last Names A-K go to Period 1 class at 9:00 am and Period 2 class at 10:00 am
 - Last Names L-Z go to Period 2 class at 9:00 am and Period 1 class at 10:00 am
 - Grade 9 students will come to school as follows:
 - Last Names A-K go to Period 1 class at 11:00 am
 - Last Names L-Z go to Period 1 class at 11:45 am
 - Grade 10 students will come to school as follows:
 - Last Names A-K go to Period 2 class at 1:00 pm
 - Last Names L-Z go to Period 2 class at 1:45 pm
- **Friday, September 11** –
 - Grade 11 students will come to school as follows:
 - Last Names A-K go to Period 2 class at 9:00 am
 - Last Names L-Z go to Period 2 class at 10:00 am
 - Grade 12 students will come as follows:
 - Last Names A-K go to Period 2 class at 11:00 am
 - Last Names L-Z go to Period 2 class at 12:00 pm
- **Monday, September 14, 2020** - This will be the first day of regularly scheduled classes for all students. The Bell Schedule will be posted on the school website.
- **Timetables** - Please note that students MUST log in to MyEducation and access their class schedule *prior* to coming to school. The MyEducation portal will open at 9:00 am on September 8th. ***Instructions on how to access this account are under Quick Links on the Cariboo Hill website:*** <http://cariboohill.burnabyschools.ca>. Please note that the parent view does NOT provide complete information on your child's timetable, so it is essential that your child logs into their *own* account to access this information. Students will be in a Quarter System taking 2 courses every ten weeks.
NOTE: If you forgot your MyEducation portal password, your password has been emailed to your O365 account.
- **Course Changes** – If you need to request a course change, please go to Cariboo Hill website and fill out the electronic course request form which will be accessible on Tuesday, September 8 at 9:00 am. This form will close on Wednesday, September 9 @ Noon. This year, in keeping with Provincial Health guidelines, students have been enrolled in Learning Groups who remain together and who primarily interact with each other, in order to keep our students healthy and safe. As a result, some students have been placed



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in elective courses that were not their first choice. In order to keep the Learning Groups together, and to remain in compliance with the Provincial Health guidelines, there will be limited course changes.

- **Entering the school** - All students must enter the building using the main front door only.
- **Daily Health & Safety check** – all students must go over the questions on the attached Health & Safety Check each morning *prior to coming to school*. If your child(ren) answer “yes” to any of the questions, they must stay home that day. No need to print and fill out the form. To report a student absence, please call the school at 604-296-6890 (then “to report student absence **press 2**”) or email the office at cariboo.info@burnabyschools.ca
- **Face masks** – Students are asked to bring 2 face masks to school each day. 2 re-useable face masks will be given to each student.
- **O365 Email Accounts** – all students have an Office 365 email account that can be access through the school website. This email address is the safest and most reliable method for our staff to communicate with our students, and students are asked to check these email accounts regularly. Please note that 3rd party email addresses (e.g. @hotmail) are sometimes filtered out by the School District’s firewall.
- **Fees & Fee Payments** – More information will come out in late September. No fees are due at this time. The preferred method for fee collection is the Burnaby School District’s secure online payment program, *School Cash Online*. Parents are encouraged to register for School Cash Online through Quick Links on Cariboo Hill’s website at <http://cariboohill.burnabyschools.ca>.
- **Lockers** – There will be no lockers issued this year.
- **Cafeteria Service** - This year, cafeteria service will be adapted to meet Health and Safety guidelines and will not be operating for the first few weeks. Please note that due to Health and Safety regulations, microwaves will not be available for student use until further notice.
- **School Communication** - Regular school communication is done via email. All parents who have an email address on file will automatically be added to our ListServ database. Please note that the **School Calendar** is currently being revised; the Calendar on the front page of the school website is your best source for up-to-date information about activities and events at Cariboo Hill.
- **Cariboo Hill Parent Advisory Council – PAC** – the first Cariboo Hill PAC Meeting is on **Monday, October 5th at 7:00 pm**, in a format to be determined.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 604-296-6890. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Mr. A. Chin
Principal

Mr. F. Papathanasiou
Vice-Principal
Supporting Students with
Last Names L-Z,
International & Indigenous
Students

Ms. H. Watson
Vice-Principal
Supporting Students with
Last Names A-K
& Academy Students

Attachments: