Dear Students and Parents:

Welcome to 9th grade, the official start of your high school career. We hope you are relaxed, healthy, and excited for the year ahead. We would like to emphasize that this is the year that begins your permanent transcript that will be viewed by colleges and other post-secondary institutions, and we encourage you to make the most of this important and exciting year. You will be viewed as the leaders of the school community and will enjoy many opportunities and memorable experiences as the upper class at Tamanend. One of those experiences is the class trip to Washington D.C. on March 30, 2023. In order to take this trip, we require 35-40 parent chaperones. As per Pennsylvania regulations, all parents chaperoning the trip must have current clearances. If you are planning to volunteer for this and do not yet have your clearances, please reference this link (<http://www.cbsd.org/volunteers>) to do so. This is not something that should be put off.

To enhance communication between school and home throughout the year, we encourage you to follow your child’s assignments and progress by using the parent portal of Infinite Campus as well as Canvas. Students will again be using Canvas as the landing spot for all virtual activities, and parents/caregivers are encouraged to become observers of their student. Reminder: Don’t forget to follow the directions to ready your school laptop and pen for the new year.

**CANVAS LOGIN:** <https://cbsd.instructure.com/login/canvas>

As the first day of school approaches, we would like to provide you with information that will help you prepare for the upcoming school year. Please make sure to complete your summer reading requirement by the beginning of the school year if you haven't already done so. This summer students are asked to read a book of their choice.

Below you will also find a list of *recommended* supplies for the school year:

* 1 three-ring binder with dividers
* Loose leaf paper
* Index cards (3x5, white)
* No. 2 pencils
* Ball point pens **(Blue and Black)**
* Expo-markers (Dry Erase), Highlighters
* A one subject spiral notebook as a writer’s journal for English class
* A 9 x 12 spiral bound sketchbook ***(ALL Art students)***
* Earbuds compatible with 3.5mm audio port (inexpensive to be left at school)
* Calculators
  + TI – 34 Scientific Calculator (Pre- Algebra, Algebra 1A, Algebra 1B, Geometry)

## OR

* + TI – 84 Graphing Calculator: Any version – TI-84 Plus, TI-84 + CE Color (Algebra 2 students only)

We look forward to seeing you on Monday, August 29th and hope you enjoy the remainder of your summer!

Sincerely,

The Freshman Team