

Dear Students and Parents:

Welcome to 9th grade, the official start of your high school career. Our last school year was very unusual, but 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 and we encourage you to make the most of this important and exciting year, despite our virtual start. We know it may not be the format we are accustomed to, but we will all work together to overcome these challenges. We are in this together! Even virtually, 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.

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 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

CANVAS VIDEO TUTORIAL FOR PARENTS (Thank you to Colleen Haag for providing this): <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4t7Yh-NpvbQ&feature=youtu.be&hd=1</u>

We know you have many questions and, as we begin the year, most of these will be answered as everything is set in motion; however, we encourage you to reach out to teachers with unanswered questions.

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

- ✤ Loose leaf paper
- Pencils, Pens, Highlighter, Colored Pencils
- ✤ A one subject spiral notebook as a writer's journal for English class
- Choice reading book for English
- * A spiral notebook for Math, World Language, and Social Studies
- Earbuds compatible with your laptop audio port
- For certain 1st Marking Period specials classes, your child's teacher will contact you directly with additional recommended supplies for virtual learning after the first few days of class.
- ✤ Calculators
 - TI 34 Scientific Calculator (Algebra 1A, Algebra 1B, Geometry)
 - TI 84 Graphing Calculator (Algebra 2 students only)
- If you need assistance obtaining anything for your child, please email your child's guidance counselor so that we may assist you. Mr. Jeff Klein (last names A-L) jklein@cbsd.org; Mrs. Mandy Camman (last names M-Z) mcammann@cbsd.org.

We look forward to "seeing" you on Tuesday, September 8th and hope you enjoy the remainder of your summer!

Sincerely,

The Freshman Team

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