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**Good Morning Tamanend (GMT)—6.10.22**

**Friday, June 10, 2022 — Today is a B Day**

**Today is the last day of the 2021-2022 school year. On behalf of the entire Tamanend faculty and staff best wishes for a wonderful summer.** A Welcome Back *Tamanend Connections* newsletter will be sent out on the first Friday of August. We will hold an open house on Friday, August 19 for the 2022-2023. Details to follow.

**Happening Today—Final Awards/Closing Ceremony:** Tomorrow we will hold our traditional Final Awards/Traditional Closing Ceremony. All students will report to 1st Period at the beginning of the school day. Many students at Tamanend choose to dress nicely on the last day of school to honor our 9th Graders. In addition, it’s “Dress to the 9’s Day” for Spirit Week. Students are dismissed from school tomorrow at 10:45.

**Continuing Today--7th and 8th Graders Must Return LOANER Laptops and Chargers by Thursday, June 9.** **7th & 8th Grade Students**--If you received a loaner laptop or charger and have not turned it in you will also be subject to the same charges as above. ALL loaner equipment MUST be turned in by Thursday, June 9th to Mr. Catterall in the library.

**Happening This Week: Student Council Spirit Week:**

**Monday: Neon Day—**Dress in neon colors!

**Tuesday: Hawaiian Day—**Dress in Hawaiian gear!

**Wednesday: Country or Country Club Day—**Get creative dressing in either a country outfit or country club outfit!

**Thursday: TMS Spirit—**Show your Tamanend spirit!

**Friday: Dress to the 9’s—**Celebrate our 9th Grade Class and honor them by wearing nice clothes for the last day of school.

**Reminder--Lost and Found:** Any remaining items in our Lost and Found will be donated to charity on June 20. Please check the Lost and Found in the Cafeteria and in the Gym before you leave for the summer.

**Reminder--Expiration of Universal Free Breakfast and Lunch:** School breakfast and lunch has been available for Central Bucks School District students at no cost since March 2020. Reimbursement for the cost of providing these meals has come through a United States Department of Agriculture Waiver issued to the Pennsylvania Department of Education. This waiver suspended free and reduced lunch eligibility requirements, allowing for universal participation in the National School Lunch Program. The waiver is expected to expire at the end of June.

In anticipation of this, we wish to remind families of the following:

* Eligible families are strongly encouraged to apply for free and reduced lunches. Families may apply through an online application that is safe, secure, and private. Visit [cbsd.org/freeandreduced](http://www.cbsd.org/freeandreduced) for details. All children in households eligible for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits are eligible for free meals. If you have questions about your family’s eligibility, please send email to Renee Ziccardi at [rziccardi@cbsd.org](mailto:rziccardi@cbsd.org) or contact your school nurse.
* When the waiver expires, students may again purchase lunch, a la carte items, or snacks through their [MySchoolBucks](http://www.myschoolbucks.com/) account. Now is a good time to log on, bring your child’s account up to date if money is owed, and update expired payment information. Review frequently asked questions about school lunch accounts [on our website](https://www.cbsd.org/Page/45073). *Your child will not be able to utilize their account to purchase a la carte items or snacks if it is past due.* If you have questions about your child’s account, or if you believe the balance information is inaccurate, please contact Renee Ziccardi at [rziccardi@cbsd.org](mailto:rziccardi@cbsd.org).

**Reminder--New Resource for Help With Mental Health:** In February Tamanend held two presentations (one for students, and one for parents) related to adolescent mental health. As a follow-up, the district social workers created [this resource](https://www.cbsd.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=25&ModuleInstanceID=1102&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=210068&PageID=43) to assist parents with connecting their children with mental health help.

**Reminder--Please Properly Take Care of Your Laptop:** We have seen an increase in cracked laptop screens. Here are a few tips to help you properly take care of your laptop:

* Use your laptop bag when carrying your laptop in school and outside of school.
* If you have a small crack on your screen, please take it to the Library to get it fixed as soon as possible. Many times, students do not have small cracks repaired as soon as they occur. This sometimes results in the screen shattering completely.
* Please note that **intentional** laptop damage will result in potential disciplinary consequences and a bill for the repairs.

**Reminder--Where Should I Go in The Morning When I Arrive at School?** If you arrive to school before 7:20 (either from the car rider line or from you bus), you should go to the following locations:

* 7th Graders—Auditorium
* 8th Graders—Cafeteria
* 9th Graders—Main Gym

If you would like to get breakfast, you may go to the Cafeteria regardless of what grade you are in. You may not go to your 1st Period classroom or walk around the hallways with your friends until 7:20.  Thank you for your cooperation.

**Reminder--Information Regarding Volunteering at Tamanend:** All Central Bucks School District Volunteers play a vital role in supporting the staff, students, sports programs and other activities of our schools. We are excited to introduce our *NEW* contactless application and paperwork submission process *to our CBSD volunteers.* You can now upload your clearances online through our Volunteer Tracker portal. Please click [App Garden- Volunteer Tracker](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fappgarden5.app-garden.com%2FVolTrackPA92102.nsf&data=02%7C01%7CABORGESON%40CBSD.ORG%7C7c0546ab92944948f4b108d83ae31eba%7Caa0b488ffc9e4185a5e3384220df23ca%7C0%7C0%7C637324094487390536&sdata=bFWQoyP%2F%2B88vWLqa%2FkYYfKJQlKt506nFa4NSE73tpzY%3D&reserved=0) to sign-up and review the clearance requirements. Sign-up is required for both New and Returning Volunteers! The Volunteer Tracker will allow you to sign-up for volunteer opportunities specific to your building and/or classroom of choice. You will receive communication via email to update you on the latest upcoming event(s), clearance expiration, and to review your participation level. Clearances and Background Checks are valid for five (5) years. Click [here](https://www.cbsd.org/volunteers) for required documentation and further information: <https://www.cbsd.org/Page/355>

**Reminder--Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Can Sign Up for Email Blast Of Daily Announcements:** If parent(s)/guardian(s) wish to continue receive the daily announcements via email blast, they should email [Mrs. Donna Kirkpatrick](mailto:www.dkirkpatrick@cbsd.org).  Daily announcements are always posted under the ["Daily Announcements" Section](https://www.cbsd.org/domain/423) of the Tamanend website for those who do not wish to receive the daily email.

**Reminder--Student Drop Off/Pick Up:** Parent(s)/Guardian(s)—It is helpful for the flow of traffic during student drop off and pick up if parents/guardians make a right hand turn into/out of our parking lot from/on to Stuckert Road. Thank you for helping us keep traffic moving in a safe and orderly way.

**Our weekly newsletter (Tamanend Connections) is updated each Friday. Here is the** [**link**](https://www.cbsd.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=25&ModuleInstanceID=1102&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=2378&PageID=43) **to all of our newsletters.**

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