A cat lying on top of a tiger

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**Good Morning Tamanend (GMT)—8.30.22**

**Tuesday, August 30, 2022 — Today is a B Day.**

**Today’s ROAR Focus is OWING YOUR BEHAVIOR IN THE HALLWAYS.** You can **own your behavior in the hallways** by **using your locker appropriately** and **being aware of your surroundings and others**.

**Here is Where You Should Report Each Morning if You Arrive Between 7:10—7:20:**

7th Graders: Auditorium\*

8th Graders: Cafeteria\*.

9th Graders: Main Gym\*.

\*Any student who is interested in purchasing breakfast may report to the Cafeteria upon arrival at school.

Students are permitted to report to their 1st Period classes at 7:20.

**Happening Today—There is a Whole-School Activity Scheduled in Tiger’s i.** Your Tiger’s i teacher will share details. A reminder that when there is a whole-school activity scheduled in Tiger’s i, you will not have the opportunity to meet with a teacher or work independently on your school work. Please plan accordingly.

**Happening Today—There is a Whole-Team/Grade Activity Scheduled in Resource.** Your Resource teacher will share details. A reminder that when there is a whole-school activity scheduled in Resource, you will not have the opportunity to meet with a teacher or work independently on your school work. Please plan accordingly.

**Equipment Drop Off for 9th Grade Athletes:** This is where 9th Grade athletes will drop off your athletic equipment… 9th Grade Girls will be storing their bags in the Girls Locker Room (thanks Brenda & Hanna!). 9th Grade boys should drop off their equipment in their last class of the day. 9th Grade Golfers should drop off their equipment in the Guidance Office.

**Laptop Information for 7th Grade Students:** We will distribute laptops to 7th Graders this week. Even if your child has his/her own device, we are asking that you participate in our program to allow for a consistent learning platform for our students. All students in a grade level will receive a device equipped with: *internet filtering, software, tech support for break/fix, and access to instructional tools and resources used by our teachers.* You can learn more on our FAQ page: [https://www.cbsd.org/Page/38121](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cbsd.org%2FPage%2F38121&data=05%7C01%7CJJAFFE%40CBSD.ORG%7C12badef838a84d9b6dcb08da75b0c9b9%7Caa0b488ffc9e4185a5e3384220df23ca%7C0%7C0%7C637951699407922763%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2B%2BkFpNESevZe4piwHkS41pKCLbGMlHC5icKGZYb3yPc%3D&reserved=0) The first step prior to distribution is to enroll online and pay a usage fee. The usage fee covers the at-home and in-school use of a device, a charger, and insurance for accidental breaks. We have different pricing structures for elementary students as they will pay $15 a year and secondary families will pay $60 in 7th grade and $60 in 10th grade. Each payment for secondary will be good for three years. We have prorated payments for all secondary students who are new to Central Bucks. What steps does a family need to take prior to device handout?

* 1. Beginning on August 16th, all families in grades 3-12 should visit: <https://www.cbsd.org/1to1>
  2. Parent/Guardian and Student will click on and read the 1:1 Handbook.
  3. Parent/Guardian signs the user agreement and pays\* the user fee via [MyPaymentsPlus](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.mypaymentsplus.com%2Fwelcome&data=05%7C01%7CJJAFFE%40CBSD.ORG%7C12badef838a84d9b6dcb08da75b0c9b9%7Caa0b488ffc9e4185a5e3384220df23ca%7C0%7C0%7C637951699407922763%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=aUnS4JtYaX3%2FkHH%2B4w7Ay73MNVKYatzxuz%2FFZ%2FfC8qA%3D&reserved=0) (MPP). Upon submitting the fee and MPP agreement, you are confirming that you have reviewed the information with your child.

**Free and Reduced Lunch Applications:** Families can access the online application for Free & Reduced Meals by [clicking here](https://www.cbsd.org/Page/342). The application must be submitted each year. Students who qualify for the Free and Reduced School Meals Program may also qualify for a variety of needs-based assistance based on their program eligibility. Federal law requires the family’s consent before Central Bucks School District can use or share eligibility status for purposes other than the provision of free or reduced lunch. This information will only be shared if you consent to help provide needs-based assistance to your student that may be beneficial to your family. Your decision to share or not share this information will not in any way affect your eligibility status for the Free and Reduced School Meals Program; it is completely optional. If your student(s) qualifies for the Free and Reduced School Meals Program, you will receive a notification of a document that needs your attention in the Parent Portal. The **Free/Reduced Lunch Information Sharing Consent Form** requests permission to use the eligibility status to qualify for various needs-based assistance and programming. You may consent for all areas listed below, decline consent to all areas, or provide partial consent. See the link below for instructions to complete this consent form. [**Free/Reduced Lunch Information Sharing Consent Form Instructions**](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cbsd.org%2Fcms%2Flib%2FPA01916442%2FCentricity%2FDomain%2F79%2FInformation%2520Sharing%2520Consent%2520-%2520Parent%2520Portal%2520Instructions.pdf&data=05%7C01%7Cbcaughie%40cbsd.org%7Cd749b461ab6f4b53613208da86c87789%7Caa0b488ffc9e4185a5e3384220df23ca%7C0%7C0%7C637970492796937499%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=PQaW7cRU69ZS3SBTvgm4DfX9LVEaLNOqecbjuI%2FT6as%3D&reserved=0)

**Tamanend Picture Day is Wednesday, September 14. Tamanend Picture Day is Wednesday, September 14.** We will share more information from the photography studio shortly.

**7th Grade Back to School Night is Thursday, September 15.** 7th Grade Back to School Night is Thursday, September 15. The evening begins at 7:00. We will follow an A-Day schedule for Back to School Night.

**8th and 9th Grade Back to School Night is Thursday, September 22.** 8th and 9th Grade Back to School Night is Thursday, September 22. The evening begins at 7:00. We will follow an A-Day schedule for Back to School Night.

**Please Update Your Student’s Information in Portal by Friday, September 30.** Please update your student’s information in Portal by Friday, September 30. You can find screenshots to help you in the *Tamanend Connections* newsletter: <https://www.smore.com/74wny>

**Required Dental Examinations for 7th Graders:** Dental exams are required for all 7th Graders by October 15, 2022. Any exam given since September 1, 2021 is acceptable. Please have your student turn in his or her dental exam form directly to the Health Office.

**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.

**Reminder--Expiration of Universal Free Breakfast and Lunch:** School breakfast and lunch was available for Central Bucks School District students at no cost since March 2020. This expired in June of 2022. Students will now be charged if they wish to purchase breakfast or lunch at Tamanend. 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.
* Students may once 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--Logging in to Your Laptop:** If you are having trouble logging in to your laptop, please click [here](http://www.cbsd.org/passwordguide) for assistance.

**Reminder--Please Properly Take Care of Your Laptop:** Here are a few tips to help you properly take care of your laptop and avoid cracking the screen:

* 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--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--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. 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>

**Students Can Access Daily Announcements Through the “Tamanend Announcements” Canvas Course:** Starting with the 2022-2023 school year, Tamanend is changing how we publish daily announcements. We will be publishing daily announcements through Canvas. We believe this change will make students more connected to the many activities and events available at our school. Tamanend Students will self-enroll in the "Tamanend Announcements" Canvas course during the first week of school. Parents can still access daily announcements via the Announcements section of the website at this [link](https://www.cbsd.org/domain/423).

**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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