

BC CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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August 25, 2020

BACK-TO-SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR YEAR 2020-2021

Appended here are several pertinent points and dates to note:

With immediate effect, wearing a **Mask is Compulsory** for all parents and visitors at both campuses at all times. (You'll need to inform the school office in advance if you are unable to wear a mask due to medical/health reasons.)

Front Office Opening Hours:

Opening hours are the same for both Fernwood Campus (Elementary School) and Christmas Way Campus (High School).

August 24th till September 4th: 9:00am to 4:00pm – Monday to Thursday, 9:00am to 2:00pm on Friday.

From September 8th onwards, front office hours are from 8am to 4pm daily.

School Hours and Punctuality

Elementary School (Gr K to 7): 8:30am to 3:00pm (Monday – Thursday) 8:30am to 12:35pm (Friday)

High School (Gr 8 to 12)): 8:25am to 2:50pm (Monday – Thursday) 8:25am to 12:25pm (Friday)

Morning devotion is an important part of school life at BCCA. Please arrive punctually every morning so as not to miss your morning devotion time with your class and teacher.

Late-comers must remember to sign in at the school's front office for attendance to be taken and to obtain a late slip. (Students who fail to sign in may be marked as absent).

There are 3 different ways you can report absenteeism:

- 1. via our website bcchristianacademy.ca,
- 2. by calling the school office at 604-941-8426 (Fernwood Campus), 778-819-8534 (Christmas Way Campus)
- 3. or send an email to office@bccaschool.ca.

School Uniform

Since 2019, and again in February 2020, parents have been informed and reminded about our school uniform code.

Starting September 2020, **all boys in K-12** classes will be required to wear the NEAT Uniform **dress pants**. **All HIGH SCHOOL students** (all girls and boys) will also be required to wear the common dress shoes available at the Neat Uniform store.

ALL STUDENTS are expected to be in their full school uniform starting from the first day of school on September 8, 2020.

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If you have not purchased the school uniforms yet, you are strongly encouraged to make your purchases as soon as possible due to the limited stock at the store. Uniforms can be purchased online at **neatuniforms.ca**.

Early Dismissal and Welcome Back Ice-Cream Social on September 8th:

On September 8, school will end early to allow everyone to enjoy an ice-cream treat with friends in their class cohort. And of course the cohorts will gather at different parts of the school premise to ensure social distancing.

Parents pick-up time for Elementary School will be staggered as follow:

Grade K – 11:20 Grade 4 and Grade 6 – 12:00 Grade 1 – 11:30 Grade 5 and Grade 7 – 12:10

Grade 2 – 11:40 Grade 3 – 11:50

PLEASE MASK UP if you need to come into the school premise to pick up your child.

Daily Health Check

It is important that you check your children's temperature and well-being every morning before sending them to school.

You will need to fill out a health checklist form every morning for your child(ren) to hand in to their respective class teachers before entering the classroom. A copy of the form is attached.

Kindergarten Gradual Entry Schedule:

You will be contacted by your child's teacher informing you of the gradual entry schedule for the first two weeks of school, until September 13th. Normal schedule will start from September 16th onwards. Please contact the front office if you have not heard from your child's class teacher by Thursday, September 4th.

Bussing Service:

Bussing will only start on the 2nd day of school, Wednesday September 9th, 2020. You will be contacted by our friendly school bus driver by September 8th, 2020 to arrange and confirm a convenient spot for daily pick-up and drop-off. All families needing the bus service must submit their registration forms and fees to the school front office latest by Friday September 4th. Bussing forms are available at the school office or visit our website at **www.bcchristianacademy.ca** to download a copy. For your convenience, a copy is also attached with this email.

Every student **must wear a face mask** when travelling in the school bus. Students not in the same cohort CANNOT be seated together unless they are from the same family bubble.

Gym Strip

Gym strip is required for Grade 3-12 PE Classes. Limited stock and sizes are available at the Fernwood Campus starting August 31. New stock will be arriving when school starts on September 8th. You are encouraged to order ahead using the Order forms available at the front office.

Online orders will be made available when our new BCCA School website is ready.

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Class Supplies Lists

For those who missed the email that was sent out in late June, I have attached the supplies list again. Incoming Gr 8 and new HS students – please note you'll need to have your personal laptop or tablet for school. If you need help and have any questions, please contact Mr. Gery Speck at qspeck@bccaschool.ca directly.

Field Trips and Camps

All field trips and camps are cancelled until further notice.

Parents' Nights

September 9th -Parents Info Night (for all families)– Online at 7:00pm. Our Head Principal, Mr Ian Jarvie will address all parents, after which you'll get to 'meet' your child(ren)'s class teachers during the breakout sessions. You will receive a link to attend the online session later next week.

September 10th -Parents 101 Night (for new families) – meet at Fernwood Campus for 'C Our Story' Tour at 6:30pm followed by orientation and Q&A at 7:30pm. All attendees will be required to wear a mask.

Last but not least, when school starts on September 8th, teachers will explain to their students in more details, the social distancing and safety protocol. We do need parents' help to remind your child(ren) to adhere to these protocols at all times.

For more information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at 604-941-8426 (Fernwood Campus) or 778-819-8534 (Christmas Way Campus) or email office@bcchristianacademy.ca.

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