



FROM THE DESK OF

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Dear New Cannon Middle School Families,

We hope you and your children are getting more and more excited about entering the Cannon community in August! We enjoyed meeting so many of you a few weeks ago at our New Family Reception. In case you missed it, [HERE](#) is a link to what we covered.

Included in this note you will find links to important action items as promised in [last month's email](#). These action items will require your child to choose elective courses for next year so that we can begin to plan for our classes. If you need to have individual conversations with any of the folks below, please reach out to them with times that will work for you. We can offer you a phone call while school is in session, and we may be able to offer some in-person sessions after our students leave for the summer.

Our tradition is to unveil the summer reading choices at the end-of-year assembly on the last day of school, so we will send a document later in June with details on the books and the assignment. There is no action required on that until you receive the information and instructions; typically, the assignments and the reading are expected to be done before the first day of school. This will be the only summer work required of our students this year.

The math placement committee meets early in June, and no action is required on your part. Kyle Tsuchiyama, our Math Department Chair, will reach out to you if more information is needed for placement. If you have questions, you can reach her at ktsuchiyama@cannonschool.org.

Our Chromebook program is led by Jeremy Mattsson, our Technology Integrationist. If your child is entering 6th or 7th grade, you may click this [LINK](#) to learn more about the device, billing, and program. New seventh and eighth-graders will receive their Chromebook and introduction on orientation day in August. New sixth-graders will receive devices when school begins. If your child is entering 8th grade, you should have already received a brief survey via email. No action is required on this at this time. If your child is entering 5th grade, they will use a school device while at school and will need a family device while at home.

As always, please reference the [New Family Resources](#) page for all things Cannon Middle School. All past correspondences and pertinent information can be found on that page. You will also find the [LINK](#) to order the 5th and 6th grade school supply boxes. Pre-ordering is optional; if you have not already done so, you may choose to order online through June 25th. The 7th and 8th grade supply lists will be shared in a future correspondence, and there is no pre-order available due to the individualized nature of the supply list.

You can expect an email from me at least once in each upcoming month with pertinent and timely information for the start of the school year. We will keep you well informed, but please feel free to reach out to anyone on this list for help as you need it.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Action Required

Arts and World Language Selection

Please use the links below to sign your child up for Arts and World Language classes. Please complete the form for EACH child using the correct link.

Please [click here](#) for a description of seventh and eighth-grade arts classes. The 7th and 8th-grade forms also include study hall and PE options for our fall athletes, as well as world language selections. Please note: 5th graders are placed in a world language rotation, so the form solely includes arts courses and choices.

If you have questions about arts and music class selection, please email [Anne Marie Samuel](#); she will answer any questions you may have. If you have questions about World Language, reach out to [Xiaozhao Sun](#). Our Assistant Head of Middle School for Academics, [Catherine Jones](#), can answer any general questions you might have about course offerings.

[5th Grade Music Selection Form](#)

[6th Grade Music and World Language Selection Form](#)

[7th Grade Arts, Athletics, and World Language Selection Form](#)

[8th Grade Arts, Athletics, and World Language Selection Form](#)

PE Uniform Order

All 5th and 6th-grade students are required to wear the school-issued PE uniform and tennis shoes (sneakers). 6th-grade students may wear their 5th-grade uniform if it still fits! Uniforms will be available to purchase starting Monday, August 11th, in person at the Cougar's Den. The Cougar's Den will be open Monday-Friday 8am-3pm, for the remainder of the month of August. Rising 5th-grade families and new to Cannon 6th-grade families will be able to purchase uniforms in person on orientation day. If you are not able to purchase during this time frame, your student will have the opportunity to purchase during advisory or PE class once school starts, and their account will be charged.

All 7th and 8th-grade students have the following choices for PE and strength and conditioning classes:

- The school-issued uniform (can be purchased starting August 11th or during PE class once school starts)
- Dark running shorts, long tights, or sweatpants (no bike or volleyball shorts)
- Cannon short or long-sleeved t-shirt
- Sneakers, tennis shoes, etc.

All students must change into their clothing at the start of the PE class and change back into their regular dress for the remainder of the day.

Summer Strength & Conditioning Program

The summer Strength and Conditioning program is available for all rising seventh and eighth-grade middle school students. [This program](#) plays a big part in the success of our athletic program. If you have questions about fall athletics, please see the Athletics portion of our website. If you have questions specific to strength and conditioning, reach out to our Strength & Conditioning [Coach, Shawn Powell](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carla M. Moyer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "C" at the beginning.

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Cannon School nurtures relationships at the heart of learning and engages the learner in a journey of growth.

Courage | Teamwork | Passion | Respect | Integrity | Kindness