



CAC Weekly Newsletter

Week of Sunday, September 13th, 2026

Dear Collegiate Families,

Happy September!

It has been such a joy to welcome back our wonderful Collegiate students and families over the past few weeks. As the school year gets underway, I wanted to take a moment to highlight one of our four core values: Quality.

At CAC, we believe quality means creating meaningful classroom experiences while maintaining high expectations for every student. Already this year, I have had the opportunity to see many examples of this in action across our school.

Our kindergartners are building foundational skills as they learn the alphabet and practice spelling their names. In our 8th grade ELA classes, students are exploring World War II through their reading and discussion of *The Book Thief* and *The Diary of Anne Frank*. In our high school science classrooms, Physics students are investigating velocity, while Anatomy students are learning about the body's various glands and their functions.

These are just a few examples of the learning taking place throughout our school. Whether students are developing foundational skills, exploring complex ideas, conducting scientific investigations, or applying what they have learned to real-world situations, we strive to provide high-quality learning experiences and high expectations for all of our students.

In continuing to deliver a high-quality education, we also need the support of our parent community. I also want to highlight our Parent Committees and Organizations that support the school. There are several openings for members of our Parent Teacher Foundation (PTA), School Accountability Committee, and our Governing Board of Directors. The Governing Board has its next meeting coming up next Wednesday, September 16, at 6:00pm.

Finally, our Secondary Student Council will be having its first event and fundraiser next week. They will be hosting a volleyball tournament open to 7th-12th grade students on Thursday, September 17, from 3:00 - 5:15pm.

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, September 23 and Thursday, September 24. These meetings provide a valuable opportunity to learn more about your child's progress, celebrate their successes, and work together to support their continued growth.

Conference sign-ups have been available through SignUpGenius since Wednesday, September 9. Please look for the sign-up link in your inbox or click on the links below if you have not already scheduled a conference.

We strongly encourage students to attend conferences with their families, as their participation supports shared goal-setting and helps students take greater ownership of their learning. During conferences, teachers will provide an overview of your child's academic strengths, accomplishments, and areas where additional support may be beneficial. It is also a great opportunity to ask questions, share observations, and work collaboratively with teachers to establish academic and behavioral goals.

Effective communication between home and school is an important part of student success. While conferences are a great opportunity to connect, we encourage you to reach out to your child's teachers throughout the school year whenever you have questions, concerns, or information that can help us better support your child.

Thank you for being such an important part of the Collegiate Academy community. We are looking forward to a wonderful year of learning, growth, and achievement together!

Warm regards,

Josh Rau

Secondary Assistant Principal

Upcoming Events:

Also found on our website.

Wednesday, September 16th

Board of Directors Meeting

All are welcome!

Thursday, September 17th

Secondary StuCo Volleyball

Tournament: 3-5:15pm

See Mr. Smith or Ms. Cairns for more details.

Wednesday, September 23rd

Parent/Teacher Conferences Begin: 4-

8pm

Sign up below.

Thursday, September 24th

No School

Parent/Teacher Conferences: 9am-8pm

Sign up below.

Friday, September 25th

No School

Thursday, October 1st

Foundation Meeting: 3-4pm

All are welcome!

Chili Cookoff: 5-7pm

Thursday, October 8th

HS Homecoming Dance: 7-11pm

Friday, October 9th - Monday,

October 12th

No School

Fall Break

Parent Teacher Conferences

The 2026 Fall Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up!

Conferences will be on Wednesday, September 23rd from 4-8 PM and on Thursday, September 24th from 9 AM-8 PM. There is no school on Thursday, September 24th and Friday, September 25th. Be sure to sign up as soon as possible to get the best time slot available for your schedule.

Please note that conference sign-ups will close at noon on Wednesday, September 23rd.

Click on your student's teachers' names below to schedule a Parent Teacher Conference!

ELEMENTARY:

PreK (DeSousa)

Kindergarten (Cary)

1st Grade (Disney) **Virtual**

2nd Grade (Capolungo)

3rd Grade (Hodge)

4th Grade (Weber)

5th Grade (Brown) **Please note Mrs. Brown's conference times are the week before.**

6th Grade (Ballengee)

SPECIALS:

Goodwin (PE)

Jones (Music)

Kleibo (Spanish)

Singerman (Art)

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Cairns (MS English)

Childs (MS Math)

Felix (MS/HS Social Studies)

Teston (MS Science)

HIGH SCHOOL:

Alexander (HS English)

Cohen (HS Science)

Berggren (HS Science)

Hutson (HS Math)

Shanks (HS English)

Smith (HS History)

Felix (MS/HS Social Studies)

There are lots of volunteer opportunities with the upcoming conferences! Click on each button below for more information and to sign up to donate or volunteer:

StuCo Breakfast Donations

Scholastic Book Fair
Volunteer Hours

Teacher Conference Meal Donations

You can find more information about these opportunities and volunteering at CAC on [our website](#).

Secondary Volleyball Night:

All 7th-12th graders are invited to join Student Council for a friendly volleyball tournament after school on Thursday, 9/17 from 3-5:15pm.

It is \$5 to participate individually, or \$10 per team. So, get your friends together, and we'll see you there!

See Mr. Smith, Ms. Cairns, or anyone from Student Council for more information.

After School Clubs:

Some after school clubs are up and running for the year!

Dungeons & Dragons/Magic the Gathering (Tabletop Club)

Wednesdays from 3-4:30pm in Mr. Hutson's room (202A)
7th-12th Grade

Resin Epoxy Art Club

Thursdays from 3-4pm in Mrs. Berggren's room (210A)

[Indoor Soccer Club](#) will start in October for K-12th graders due to gym events! More information will be sent home soon.

Extended Days

Extended days are now available! Students can stay until 4pm after school on the allotted days to get extra help, complete homework, or work on assignments.

[Please click here for the weekly schedule.](#)

Secondary students can work on any assignment in any classroom, as long as the teacher is there.

BakPak Program

We are offering the Food for Thought BakPak program again this year! The program will distribute sacks of food to students who need food during the weekends.

[Click here for more information.](#) If you wish for your student(s) to participate, please complete the form and return it to either front desk as soon as possible.

Para Subs

We are currently looking for paraeducator substitutes who can step in and support our regular paras when they are absent. The hours may vary depending on the shift, but the position will generally be from 10:15am-1:00pm. The primary responsibilities would be supporting our elementary students during recesses and lunch. This would be an on-call position, with substitutes contacted as coverage needs arise.

Please reach out if you have any questions or would like additional information.

Send resume to pbrock@collegiateacademy.net.

All volunteer opportunities are listed on our school website under the “Connect” tab.

Access volunteer opportunities [HERE](#).

Log your volunteer hours [HERE](#).

Click on the links below to access each document:

[Bell Schedule](#)

[School Supply Lists](#)

[2026-27 Family Calendar](#)

[2026-27 Activity Calendar](#)

[Carpool Lane Regulations](#)

[Health Office Information](#)

[Dress Codes](#)

[Handbook](#)

Volunteer:

Important Documents:

Refer a Family:

Help us spread the word:

Get 40 volunteer hours when you refer a family to our school and they enroll for the 2026-27 school year!

Follow Us On Social Media:

Don't miss out on fun highlights and important reminders during the school year! Click each link below to connect:

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