



# USING OUR GIFTS TO TRANSFORM THE WORLD

2018-19

August 12, 2018

## Upcoming Calendar Dates (as of 8/12, check [LiveCalendar](#) for updates)

8/20	School Supply Kits Pick-up 5-7pm (Cafeteria)	8/25	Back to School Skate @ Jellybeans (5:15pm)
8/20	PTC Meeting 7-8pm (Cafeteria)	8/27	First Day of School
8/23	School Supply Kits Pick-up 4-7:30pm (Cafeteria)	8/28	Tryouts for MS Fall Sports
8/23	Meet the Teacher	8/29	Tryouts for MS Fall Sports
	Grades 1-4 (IEP/Low Stimulation): 4-4:30pm	8/30	Kindergarten Meet the Teacher (4:30-5:30pm)
	Grades 1-4: 4:30-5:30pm	9/3	Labor Day (NO SCHOOL)
	Grades 5-8 (IEP/Low Stimulation): 6-6:30pm	9/7	First Full Day of Kindergarten
	Grades 5-8: 6:30-7:30pm	9/10	PTC Meeting 7-8pm (Cafeteria)
8/24	Kindergarten <b>Parent</b> Info Session (5-6:30pm)	9/21	NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

## Message from the Principal

Cardinals, GET EXCITED!! We are going to have an amazing school year and I am so enthusiastic about all the new things we're going to learn together! We have some new teachers on staff, we have some new friends and families joining us, and we have new content standards and ideas about what we can do to make our school exceptional.

Our vision for this upcoming school year is on using our gifts to transform the world. Next week, our new teachers will be collaborating each day to plan lessons and activities that focus on how we can do this as a school community. The week of August 20, all our teachers return for a week-long professional development conference focused on this vision. We're increasing the rigor in every classroom to push our students to excel, and we're eager to see every student rise up and embrace the challenges we're setting for them.

Our school has so much to offer to new families, so if you have friends who want to be a part of our vision of transforming our world, please tell them to apply! The 2018-2019 school year is going to be so exciting and fun, and we want everyone to be a part of this journey of transformation!

Enjoy your last two weeks of summer break, and get ready for the fun to begin on August 27!

**Becky Draper, Ed.D.**  
Principal

Carpool maps and instructions will be sent out in next Sunday's newsletter. Be on the lookout for that! Also, when you receive your carpool number at Meet the Teacher, have your student(s) memorize that number. Afternoon carpool goes much faster when students know their carpool numbers!

Parents of Kindergarteners and other students new to the school: Please use this time before school begins to practice buckling and unbuckling seatbelts, as well as opening and closing vehicle doors. The first day of school is not the time to learn such skills.



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## Notes From Nurse Huels

### **Attention returning and new parents:**

If your child has any known health concerns, please [email or contact the nurse directly](#) with your student's name, grade and a description of his/her health concern(s). If your child requires medication (including Over-The-Counter medications) while at school, a new [Medication Authorization Form](#) must be signed by your physician at the beginning of each year.

### **Attention 7th grade parents:**

If you haven't done so already, please submit your child's latest immunization records (including Meningitis and DTap) to the school nurse. This is a state requirement.

Thank you,  
Nurse Huels

[dhuels@cardinalcharter.org](mailto:dhuels@cardinalcharter.org)

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (Find other SignUps on the [PTC website.](#))**

We are using a new SignUp website this year. The hope is that we can more easily keep track of volunteer hours.

School Supply Kits Distribution: <http://signup.com/go/AGrysFZ>

Student Packets Setup: <http://signup.com/go/gwheyjc>

## **Middle School Schedules**

Middle school schedules will be available for pickup no later than at Meet the Teacher. Students will get an email from their homeroom teacher the week of August 20<sup>th</sup>. If schedules are available prior to the Meet the Teacher date, an email from your student's homeroom teacher and a Remind text will be sent out. If you have any questions, please email Stephanie Klingler at [sklingler@cardinalcharter.org](mailto:sklingler@cardinalcharter.org)

If you missed Flight School held this past week, you can view the PowerPoint presentation. It's available on the PTC website:

<https://ccaptccary.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/Flight-School-Presentation.pdf>

## **Carpool Reminders**

As a reminder, **ALL STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSING AT 3PM DAILY! Gates will open at 2:45pm and will close at 3:45pm.** New carpool tags will be available at Meet the Teacher and there is no cost for these tags. Students will keep the carpool number they were assigned to in previous years, and new families will be assigned a new number. Please help support the carpool process and encourage your child to memorize their number and remind them to go directly from their classroom to their assigned color.

Carpool tags will be distributed in the classroom during Meet the Teacher. **If you are a current F pass holder or if you would like to apply for an F pass, please fill out the form below by August 20<sup>th</sup>.**

<https://goo.gl/forms/2J8Bb5bodzhVs4Ts1>



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### First Day of School!

School reopens **August 27th!** We need all students to be present **on the first day**—100% present. Our school funding heavily depends on all students being present on the first day, *not just day 2 or day 3*, but the first day! A student who does not show up on the first day is called a “no show”; we receive no funding for “no shows,” and “no shows” stand the chance of having their seats replaced.

#### How do attendance numbers during the first 20 days affect school funding?

The school receives \$7200 for each student based on Average Daily Attendance (ADA) for the first 20 days. Each day a student is in class during the first 20 days is worth \$360 in funding for the school. If 100 students miss the first day of school, that’s five sets of \$7200, or \$36,000, that CCA won’t receive.

#### Here’s a simplified example of how funding is determined based on (ADA):

Number of students enrolled: 1000

Number of days in school month: 20

Full attendance days:  $1000 \times 20 = 20,000$  student days

Attendance on first day: 900; Attendance on second day: 950; Attendance on third day: 900

Attendance on fourth day: 950; Etc.

Total actual attendance days:  $(10 \text{ days} \times 900 \text{ students}) + (10 \text{ days} \times 950 \text{ students}) = 9000 + 9500 = 18,500$

$18,500 \text{ actual student attendee days} / 20 \text{ school days} = 925 \text{ students}$

So even though 1000 students might be enrolled, the school will only receive funding for 925 students.

Amount of money allotted per student: \$7,200

100% attendance = \$7,200,000

Actual attendance = \$6,660,000

**The difference is the cost of multiple teachers, support staff, or even supplies.**

Parents: If your student has friends who would like to enroll at Cardinal Charter Academy with them, please have their parents contact our enrollment manager, Chantavia Knight, at [cknight@cardinalcharter.org](mailto:cknight@cardinalcharter.org). She’ll be happy to get them started on the needed paperwork! Thank you!

We have a limited number of the "additional items" from the school supply kit sale that we are making available to those who may need them. These items can be picked up during the same times as the school supply kits.

- Monday, August 20th from 5pm to 7pm
- Thursday, August 23rd from 4pm to 7:30pm

Questions? Contact [ccaschoolsupplies@gmail.com](mailto:ccaschoolsupplies@gmail.com)

Purchase link: <https://give.classy.org/supplies>



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### Academically Gifted Program at Cardinal Charter Academy

It's finally here! Cardinal Charter Academy will have an academically gifted program. It will look different than what you typically see in traditional public schools because it will be tailored to meet the needs of the student rather than a one size fits all approach.

School Wide	Classroom Setting	Individual Differentiation
<p>-Purposeful scheduling of enrichment time to occur daily during school hours. Students will not miss CORE instruction. Instruction can occur during specials time, through character education opportunities, enrichment, flex grouping, inquiry-based problem solving, cross-curricular projects, and within the CORE instructional units as well.</p> <p>-All students will be exposed to increased rigor and enrichment through problem/project based learning and interdisciplinary activities.</p>	<p>-Teachers are being provided professional development to increase awareness of indicators of academic giftedness.</p> <p>-Teachers are being provided professional development to provide students enrichment throughout the school day as part of the Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum.</p>	<p>-All students identified will be provided enrichment as noted on their PLP.</p> <p>-Enrichment can include (but is not limited to): differentiated groupings, advanced placement in courses, online accelerated and self-paced learning, other opportunities as appropriate.</p>

Criteria for identification for AIG will include: NWEA scores, EOG scores, grades, teacher recommendation, and any other outside information provided. Other factors will include behavior, ability to handle advanced work, and willingness to embrace challenge. Qualification requirements will be sent out and identification process will begin in September with the fall NWEA assessments. Students will be asked to write an essay about their interest in the gifted program and must adhere to a code of conduct and an honor creed called the Cardinal Commitment.

#### STANDARDS for GIFTED EDUCATION

1. Student identification
2. Differentiated curriculum & instruction
3. Certified gifted personnel plus enhanced professional development school-wide
4. Comprehensive programming within the total school community
5. Community partnerships to bring in additional gifted enrichment opportunities
6. Program evaluation, assessment, and accountability



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Dear Parents:

We are looking forward to another great year of middle school sports! We are kicking off the school year with boys soccer and co-ed cross country for the fall season. Only students in grades 6-8 are eligible to participate in school sports.

Tryouts for both of these sports will be:

**August 28th and August 29th from 3:45-5:00pm (both days are mandatory).**

There will be an *optional boys soccer workout* after school on August 22nd and August 24th from 3:45-5:15pm (meet in the gym at 3:45pm). These workouts are for 6th-8th grade boys interested in trying out for the team, but attendance is not required.

ATHLETES ARE TO BE PICKED UP ON TIME IN THE PARKING LOT AREA BY THE BACK ENTRANCE WAY.  
THANK YOU!

***Students interested in trying out for a team this fall must...***

- **Sign up in the gym between August 22nd – August 25th.**
- Supply their own attire for that sport (running shoes/cleats, shin guards, socks, goalie gloves - if trying out for the position - and any other necessary equipment).
- Have an up-to-date sports physical on file with the school Athletic Director **before August 28th** (Sports physical form attached and can be found on the [PTC website](#)). Physicals expire one year after the exam.

\*With regard to the physical forms, most pediatricians can complete and return the form to you without an office visit if your child has had an annual physical within the previous year. However, if you are in need of a physical you can obtain one for \$30 at Doctor's Express Urgent Care in Cary.

We will offer boys & girls basketball and cheerleading in the winter, as well as co-ed track & girls soccer in the spring.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the email address below.

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