CCS Middle School Things Every Parent and Student Need to Know

1. What will my child's schedule look like?

- a. The schedule will include 5 core courses (Bible, English, Math, Science, and Social Studies) as well as 3 periods of rotation classes and electives.
- b. The schedule is a modified block with 8 periods meeting on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Odd-numbered double periods meet on Tuesdays and even-numbered double periods meet on Thursdays.
- c. Chapel meets weekly on Wednesdays.

2. What will the rotation schedule look like and what will my child be taking?

- a. Each student in each grade will take Art, Computer, Language Arts Extension (LAX), Math Extension (MAX), Music, Physical Education, Spanish, and Technology each week. LAX, MAX, Music, and PE will meet twice a week while the other courses will meet once a week.
- b. The rotation schedule will be as follows. Elective periods have a grey scale background. All rotation classes will be 40 minutes in length; there will be no double periods for rotation classes.

MS Rotation Schedule 2016-17

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6	PE 6 Music 7 LAX 8		Spanish 6 MAX 7 Art 8	LAX 6 PE 7 Music 8 Art 6 Spanish 7 MAX 8	MAX 6 ART 7 Spanish 8
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3. What elective choices are available, how long are they, and may my child change his/her elective each trimester?

- a. You and your child should have received via email the MS elective and selection sheets. If you did not receive them, please contact Mr. Hepler.
- b. Each elective is 12 weeks in length.
- c. Students will have the opportunity to change electives within the first week of each elective rotation. Students should go to Mr. Hepler in the office for an elective change form and then return it to him.

4. What are the attendance and missed work policies at CCS?

- a. School begins each day at 8:10 a.m., and bus riders are dismissed at 2:45 p.m. Students arriving at school after 8:10 a.m. must sign in at the main office in the high school building. Students leaving before 2:45 p.m. need to sign out in the main office.
- b. Parents who arrive at the school before 2:45 p.m. to pick up their children should wait in the parking lot at Conestoga Mennonite Church until **all** the buses have exited the school parking lot.
- c. Refer to the Student/Parent handbook here to see the attendance policy in regards to excused absences, unexcused absences, tardies to school, parent communication in the case of an absence, loss of points for marking period grades, the school's missed work policy, etc..

5. How is my child expected to dress for school at CCS?

- a. Students are asked to dress in a manner that honors Christ and is sensitive to staff and students at CCS.
- b. Specific guidelines are found in the Parent/Student Handbook. Students are expected to dress neatly and modestly.

6. What extracurricular activities are available for middle school students at CCS?

- a. Sports: fall boys soccer, fall girls volleyball, winter boys and girls basketball, spring boys and girls track
- b. Clubs and Activities: band, Bible quizzing, fall and spring dramas, Student Council, Technology Student Association

7. How might I stay in communication with my child's teachers as well as stay informed about my child's assignments and academic performance?

- a. ParentsWeb on RenWeb will allow you to e-mail your child's teachers, view his/her grades, and view a teacher web page for each of your child's core courses which will contain their assignments for the week.
- b. You may always call your child's teacher at the school if you wish to speak with them.

8. Will my child be able to buy lunch?

- a. We do not serve hot lunches at CCS with the exception of fundraiser lunches that often occur on Wednesdays.
- b. Students will be able to buy drinks and snacks at lunch time each day.

9. What other information do I need to know?

a. Each MS student will receive a CCS e-mail account to use for school business.