



Grade 6-8 Back to School Letter

GENERAL POLICIES

Start Time:

For the Grade 6-8 students a bell will ring at 8:45 a.m. when they enter their classrooms and get to their seats for homeroom. At 9:00 a.m. a second bell will ring to signal the beginning of instruction time.

Punctuality is important to maximize school achievement and is a good habit to develop. If a student arrives after 8:50 a.m., they ARE late and MUST stop by the front desk to sign in and get a late slip which they then give to their teacher.

Our Extended Care program begins at 7:30 a.m.

As you are thinking about back to school shopping we have prepared a list of school supplies students will need. **Please refer to the supply list.**

School Computers:

The school has purchased new computers for the grade 6-8 students this year. These computers are Chromebooks, which are a little bit different than traditional computers. Students will be using cloud storage for much of their work, making it available at school, home or anywhere else they have internet access. One requirement will be to have a school google email address. New students this year will be set up with a school email address in order to sign into the school wireless access. The rest of the student population will continue to use the same school email that they had last year.

Students may purchase a chromebook for personal use through the school. Please contact Mr. Collier at jd.collier@onlyatbccs.com if you would like to purchase a chromebook or for more information.

ALPA/EdVenture/Curtain Call Senior Programs for Grade 6-8 Students at BCA

As we anticipate a new school year, we are excited to have three programs in place for our Grade 6-8 students: ALPA (Advanced Level Program of Athletics), EdVenture, and Curtain Call.

These programs will give Grades 6-8 students:

- Opportunities for quality personal and leadership development outside of a traditional classroom setting.
- Opportunities to learn and be evaluated on skills specific to the program chosen.

- Opportunities to work collaboratively with peers, staff and guest experts to widen their own experiences and further seek their own call as Christians and pre-teens in contexts which promote positive images of spiritual, physical, emotional and mental growth.

ALPA students

- Have numerous opportunities to actively engage in leadership opportunities and foster their development
- Will be provided with top level coaches and instructors in sport specific training, fitness, as well as in the recreational sports ALPA offers
- Will be positive role models to their student body, teachers, team members, the opponent in competition, spectators and officials.

EdVenture Students

- Explore a variety of learning activities outside the traditional classroom environment through experiential learning
- Become involved in the community at large through service projects
- Engage in the arts, mathematics, engineering, and science and technology to generate a passion for life experiences
- Have numerous opportunities to actively engage in leadership opportunities and foster their development

Curtain Call Students

- To engage in the performing arts to generate a passion for performance
- Will be provided with a training environment for students in drama, music and dance
- Have numerous opportunities to actively engage in leadership opportunities and foster their development

Senior Program Web Page

<http://bca-seniorprograms.wikispaces.com/> is the senior program website. Instructions will be provided regarding how to log on to this site. You will be able to go to the web page to find out information about programs each week. The school calendar outlines what is planned for the year in the ALPA, EdVenture and Curtain Call programs.

Senior Programming Staff:

- o **Mr Collier**, ALPA program head, Head of Senior Programs (jd.collier@onlyatbccs.com)
- o **Mr Cope**, EdVenture program head (dan.cope@onlyatbccs.com)
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- o **Mrs. Cantelon** ALPA fitness instructor (niki.cantelon@onlyatbccs.com)
- o **Mrs. Goudreau** Curtain Call head (tara.goudreau@onlyatbccs.com)