



September 2018 CBA NEWSLETTER

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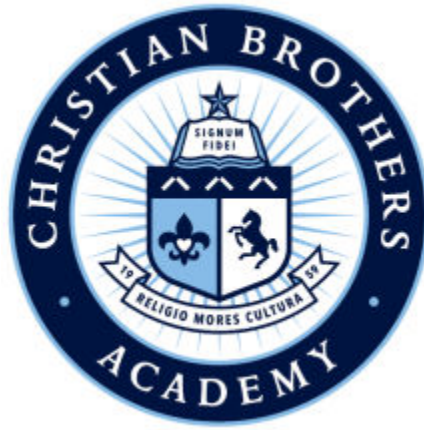
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Message from the Principal: R. Ross Fales

Once again, welcome to our new moms and welcome back to the many moms already so involved in our community!

As always, I would like to start off by thanking the Mothers involved in the Mothers' Club for all of their hard work and generosity on behalf of CBA. Last year the Mother's Club had a huge year of fundraising for the Academy and that doesn't happen without a lot of hard work by all of you. I would like to particularly highlight the Mother's Club Endowed Scholarship as an example of your generosity and a beacon for what CBA is all about. It will certainly help make a CBA education a reality for someone who might otherwise not be able to come. **THANK YOU!** You, as the mothers, are truly an integral part of what makes CBA unique and great... and most of all a real community. It is an honor and privilege for me to serve as the principal.

We have a special opportunity coming up this year that will bring a group of Lasallian students, much like your own, but from an entirely different culture, to CBA. We plan to host young men from the **Hakodate LaSalle School** in Japan from December 7-15, but **we need your help!** We need host families for the Japanese students to stay with during their week at CBA.

There will be a **brief informational session** prior to the Mother's Club Meeting on October 9 at 6:45 pm. All who have already volunteered as well as those still considering it are encouraged to attend.

We are hoping to place two students with each family if possible. Students may share rooms but must have their own bed. If necessary we may place one student with a host family. Host families are responsible for transporting the students to and from school for the week.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Mrs. Szablewski.

As you know CBA uses a **bring your own device (BYOD) program** for student computers; it is now in full swing and working well. You may have also heard that the cafeteria is, as of this year, a "**Device Free Zone.**" This may seem to contradict the technology push in schools and indeed our own requirement, but I assure you this was a researched and deliberate decision. Computers and all technology are tools that we want students to be proficient with as they will likely be using those tools in college and in life. We do not however, want them to always get lost in the alternate universe that this technology facilitates. There is considerable research that calls for reduction in "screen time." In addition we feel that the face to face interaction without the distraction of devices is an important part of our young men's social development. The cafeteria is currently the only device free zone on campus and students who need to use their computers for work may ask for a pass to the library.

As a reminder if you're **picking up your son after school**, it is best to wait until 2:45-2:50, if possible, so that the buses will be cleared out. Please do not park in the Fleming Hall parking lot, as that disrupts the business of the President's office.

What follows in an excerpt from my summer letter, but in case you missed it:

One of the hallmarks of Lasallian education is meeting students where they are. To that end, CBA has brought on a part time learning consultant (LDT-C) to work with administration and faculty to provide student support, as well as foster inclusive learning. If your son has an already documented learning difference, please contact Mr. Nunan, Associate Principal for Academic Affairs, as soon as possible to pass that information along. In a related move, we have once again increased the hours of our mental health professional that we brought on two years ago to address the some of the differing needs of our students. Open communication always plays an essential role in making all of this work and maintaining our strong community, so if there is anything you feel CBA should know, please contact your son's guidance counselor or the Dean of Students before school begins.

Student safety and security is likely and understandably at the forefront of many parents' minds. CBA has had security measures and an emergency operations plan in place for well over a decade now. The hardware and plans are periodically reviewed and updated. Over the last several years we have added more cameras, electronically controlled doors, two way radios, ballistic security film to exterior windows, and digital mapping available to the police. In addition we have closed Henderson Hall so students are not traveling between buildings and had the emergency plan reviewed by local and state police. This past summer, we embarked on a comprehensive threat/vulnerability assessment and total revamping of our security and emergency procedures. This work will be completed by two separate, unaffiliated, security agencies with school and law enforcement expertise. They will make new hardware and procedural recommendations, as well as facilitate our revamping of the emergency operations plan. This work will be ongoing throughout the year.

We will be continuing with the **enrichment period** once per week on Wednesday mornings. Each regular class will be 35 instead of 40 minutes, providing time for students, who would otherwise be unable due to transportation or other after school commitments, to get involved with some of our more intensive co-curricular programs. Additionally, this period will provide some time for students to meet with teachers, utilize the testing center, and make up work such as missed laboratory experiments that can only be done in school.

PowerSchool portal access to the online gradebook and Learning Management System (LMS) remains the same this year. I would also like to remind everyone that all students are provided a CBA email account when they begin as freshmen. The school utilizes this platform for official communication with students and it remains each student's responsibility to frequently check, and if necessary, respond to emails in that account.

The year is off to a feverish start and it is truly great to have everyone back! I hope to see you around campus at the different events.

Thank you,



R. Ross Fales, Principal

Mothers' Club President's Message



By: Lisa Murray
Mothers' Club President

I would like to welcome back our returning parents and extend a warm welcome to our freshman parents and their sons and all who are new to CBA. I can hardly believe that the 2018-2019 school year has already begun. The summer seems to fly by more quickly each year! The Mothers' Club will have many events occurring during the upcoming months and encourages all our mothers to share your time and talents with us in any way that you can. To those of you who are new to the CBA community, the Mothers' Club goals are simple:

First, we are here to **support the school** by:

- Providing hospitality for Academic and Social functions
- Chaperoning school dances and proms
- Publishing a newsletter several times throughout the year

Second, we **help financially by hosting fundraisers** such as:

- The Fall Luncheon (October 28, 2018)
- Casino Night (January 26, 2019)
- The Alumni Craft Show (March 2, 2019)
- The Tuition Raffle (March 24, 2019)

Third, **we are here for each other** socially as we enjoy:

- Monthly meetings (see school calendar or website for dates)
- The Mothers' and Fathers' Christmas liturgy and celebration (December 10, 2018)
- The Mothers' Club Retreat (March 21, 2019)
- The Mother/Son Dinner (April 11, 2019)
- The "End of the Year" reception (May 13, 2019)
- The Freshman Mothers Welcome (May 21, 2019)

It was a pleasure meeting so many at our first Mothers' Club meeting of the school year and at the Freshmen/Sophomore Back to School Night. It is always so much fun to see the excitement of our new Mothers and we are pleased that so many of you have chosen to get involved in our committees. Your willingness to become involved is what sparks the success and friendships that we all share at CBA. Please know there is always an opportunity to help out! If you would like to be involved contact me at lisa_murray0605@yahoo.com.

Our first big event will be the Fall Luncheon on October 28th at the Shore Casino. The Luncheon is open to all CBA mothers and their friends and family. Our committee has worked very hard all summer to make this an impressive afternoon. The Luncheon has sold out! Thank you for your enthusiastic support! Donations, including monetary and individual group gifts, are always appreciated. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Mary Ann Dooling at maryanndooling13@gmail.com.

The **Colt Consignment Shop**, located upstairs at Benilde Hall, continues to enjoy success and is now open
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on Tuesday's and Wednesday's 3:00pm-6:00pm. Benilde Hall is the gray building across from the main office/library. You will find a nice selection of new/gently worn school uniform slacks, shirts, belts, ties and blazers. All of the clothing has been cleaned and donated by our parents after our son's frequent growth spurts. The Shop also has a small collection of used textbooks and paperbacks. We are always accepting donations of "official school uniform" clothing. Please be sure any donated clothing is laundered or dry cleaned and on a hangar. You may drop them off at The Shop during store hours or at our monthly meetings. All proceeds raised from the Shop go directly toward the Mothers' Club Scholarship Fund. Last year the Shop was able to provide Br. Frank with a check in the amount of \$2,000 from the Shop's profits. Should you have any questions, contact Clare Mogyoros greeneire22@verizon.net.

As announced at our first meeting, The Mothers' Club is continuing its relationship with "**180-Turning Lives Around**", a residential shelter located in Monmouth County for women and children affected by domestic violence. At each monthly Mothers' Club meeting we will be accepting donations of any type of kitchen and bathroom paper products, as well as feminine products. We will also be collecting diapers (all sizes), baby shampoo, wash and powder. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

Don't forget to visit the Mothers' Club on the CBA website www.cbalincroftnj.org. You can find us under the "Parent" tab. Also, "LIKE" us on Facebook at @CBAMomsClub. If you have not received Mothers' Club emails or if you have any questions, please contact Christine Dyer, the Mothers' Club Communications Officer, at cbamothersclub@gmail.com.

Our next Mothers' Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 9th at 7:30 pm at CBA in **Alumni Hall**. Among the topics on the agenda are the final Fall Luncheon preparations. Join us as we welcome guest speaker Mrs. Jennifer Maccarella, Director of Enrollment Management. Our meetings generally last an hour and light fare and refreshments are always served. If you missed our 1st meeting, please be sure to attend- it's never too late to be involved!

All CBA Mothers are members by virtue of having a son that attends or that has attended CBA.

Have a wonderful year!

Lisa Murray

Danny 2009, Ryan 2010, Patrick 2014 and Timmy 2019

Fathers' Club

By: Mark Anderko
CBA Fathers Club President

I hope everyone enjoyed their summer and are settling into the new school year. This is always an exciting time, especially for our new freshman parents. On behalf of the CBA Father's Club, I would like to welcome all the new parents and students into our CBA family. I look forward to meeting many of you throughout the year.

Our annual Father's Club kick-off Meeting was held on September 20th in the cafeteria. We had many Dads attend the meeting, including many new freshman Fathers. At the meeting we covered our upcoming events and we received a commitment from many of the Dads to assist us in the coming year. We also introduced and welcomed our new and returning members to the Executive Board:

President: Mark Anderko, **Vice President:** Gary Krall, **Vice President:** Kevin Gibson, **Treasurer:** Dr. James Sullivan, **Recording Secretary:** Rich Settino, **Communications Director:** David Tierney, **Member At Large:** Peter Cohen, **Member At Large:** Chris Bonin

The Executive Board was excited to announce to the membership the new format at our monthly meetings which will be the addition of guest speakers from CBA that will address various aspects of CBA from academics to athletics. Our first speaker, Athletic Director Vito Chiaravalloti will deliver the first talk to the membership at the October Meeting.

The Father's Club began a new initiative of service. Fathers and Sons will have an opportunity to work side by side in preparing, plating and serving food at St. Mark's Soup Kitchen in Keansburg, N.J. Our first group of Fathers and Sons lead by Kevin Gibson began this initiative on Saturday, September 15th. Sign-up sheets will be offered for upcoming months during the school year.

The Tenth Annual Brother Andrew Memorial Golf Outing will be held on Monday, October 1st at the renowned Metedeconck National Golf Club. Golfing and Sponsorships opportunities are available. In addition, The Fathers Club is offering a trip to enjoy the game day pageantry of **Army Football on the beautiful campus of the United States Military Academy West Point on Saturday, October 20th**. Tickets are available and limited to 56 for the trip. Please visit the Father's Club section of the CBA website to obtain further details of these events as well as the schedule for all our meeting and upcoming events. You can also visit the CBA Father's Club Facebook for upcoming meeting and events.

Our next Father's Club meeting is Thursday, October 18th at 7:00 PM in Alumni Hall. Our meetings are casual with a meal and beverages provided and are a great opportunity for our Dads to relax and socialize after a hard day at work. We look forward to seeing many of our CBA Dads at our October meeting.

Regards,

Mark Anderko
CBA Father's Club President

Guidance Services



PSAT TESTING: On Wednesday, October 10, juniors and sophomores will take the PSAT test which will help them become acclimated to the SAT exam. We recommend that juniors take SAT or ACT or both tests multiple times usually ranging from spring through late summer to early fall.

JUNIOR PARENT COLLEGE INFORMATION NIGHT: The Guidance Office will hold a Junior Parent Information Night at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 in Henderson Theater for parents only. During the evening, we will review the various elements of Naviance (including a look at college search engines and career information), a Guide to Decision Making at Selective Schools, an Outline of College Costs and Financial Aid Opportunities and more. We encourage you to attend.

COLLEGE VISITATIONS AT CBA – Over 100 college and university officers will visit the Academy this fall. They will be available for any senior or junior. Juniors wishing to speak with them can do so during their lunch, free periods or in between classes. **Seniors-only can attend a college session during a class period after attaining permission from their teacher to miss class.** Students can register online for these visits by clicking on the Colleges tab in Naviance, then clicking on the Colleges Home link. Halfway down the page, click on Show More under College Visits. Then click the registration button for any meeting you wish to attend.

SENIORS AND JUNIORS watch for information posted to Naviance regarding College Open Houses and Information Sessions in our area. For example, the University of Notre Dame will be hosting an Information Session at CBA on Sunday Oct. 21 in Henderson Theater at 6:30 p.m. and Loyola Marymount University will be hosting an Information Session at CBA on Tuesday, October 16th at 7:00 pm in Alumni Hall.

SAT TEST DATES AND DEADLINES:

Test Date	Regular Deadline
Nov. 3	Oct. 5
Dec. 1	Nov. 2
March 9	Feb. 8
May 4	April 5
June 1	May 3

SAT and ACT Preparation



Our Fall SAT Prep Program begins on October 29th for SAT Writing and October 30th for SAT Math and English. Students from all schools are welcome. Applications are available in the Main Guidance Office. One-on-One tutorials are available for interested students. Afternoon and evening sessions are planned.

For all questions and issues, please email Mr. Joseph Fili, Director of the Prep-SAT Program:

jfili@cbalincroftnj.org

Phone: 732-330-7482

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