

Message from the Principal...

Welcome Back Parents and Students of Century High School. I am excited for the school year to begin and hope you are too! The first day of school is right around the corner (AUGUST 31st at 7:45am) – which brings a lot of excitement and anticipation. We have welcomed new staff to the building and expect them to have a great year; they are full of enthusiasm and look to carry on the growing tradition of excellence at CHS. If you've stopped by school over the summer you will notice that our track in the stadium is in the process of being replaced. The surface is being refinished; however, structural damage was found which needs to be repaired first. Our hope is to see this work completed in the very near future. As we look to celebrate our 10th Anniversary this year, several main areas of the school received a “face lift” – new carpeting in our media center, paint throughout the interior of the building, and new computers for several labs including science rooms and for our yearbook/graphics classes!

I'd like to thank Deanne Caracciolo for her six (6) years of dedication to our school and community as PTSO President. During her tenure, we've continued to enrich the instructional technology at Century High School – over \$10,000 has been used to purchase new ceiling mounted LCD projectors which will greatly enhance classroom presentations for students. Deanne is turning over the position to Mrs. Trish Capparelli (her message follows). Our PTSO has been small in numbers in recent years, however, their impact continues to be great. I hope to see more parents actively involved with this group in 2010-2011. Please visit our website to see when the PTSO, Athletic, Drama, and Music Boosters meet each month. We also have Art and JROTC booster groups; so please stay involved.

Our school continues to set high standards for academic success ~ as highlighted in recent *Newsweek* and *Washington Post* articles. Our rankings show that Century Knights are very capable and do well as they prepare for college and careers. The Academy structure of our school continues to thrive and our internship numbers grow each year. We hope that the introduction of the *FLEX MOD* last year helped support *ALL* students as they reach for greater heights.

I know that the start of the year will be exciting for all; please come to our orientation and back to school nights and stay informed – GO KNIGHTS!

Sincerely, Drew Cockley
Principal

PTSO NEWS

Welcome back to school students, teachers, and parents!! The PTSO is gearing up for a new school year, and we look forward to your involvement to make this a very successful year for the entire Century Knights Community!!

This year the PTSO will be supporting Century by raising money for technology, sponsoring two scholarships for seniors, by funding academy awards which are presented at graduation, and by volunteering and supporting other requests as needed. We also plan to continue with a dinner and a staff appreciation luncheon for our teachers. Plans are underway for programs which will be of interest to parents, teachers and students at our monthly meetings too! Watch for Alert Now Emails to let you know our topics each month.

Our monthly meetings will continue to take place on the third Tuesday of each month (except in December when there will not be a meeting) at 7 p.m. in the Media Center. We hope that you will come to the meetings –especially the ones with topics that interest you! Our first meeting is scheduled for September 21st, and we would like to especially invite all parents who are new to the Sykesville/Eldersburg area and to Century High to come. We want to welcome you and be available to give you information and maybe some “helpful hints” about the area and about the school. At this meeting, there will also be information provided about the College Admissions process for those of us who have SENIORS this year!! Since this process starts early in the school year, this is a “must” topic for many parents.

In order to be of great support to Century, we need YOUR support. Please visit our membership table at Freshman Orientation on August 26th or at Meet the Teacher Night on September 2nd to join and/or to purchase an Entertainment Book. You may also download the membership form and volunteer opportunities form from the Century High School website (under Parents, PTSO) and return them to school to the PTSO mailbox in the office. Forms will also be available in the office or by contacting one of the officers. This is our big fundraiser of the year, so PLEASE join and lend your support!

We also raise money by promoting Street Smarts of Maryland, the official Driving School of the Century PTSO. If you have a student who needs to take driver’s education this year, please consider using this convenient school. Classes take place right at Century, and the instructors are well qualified and very dependable. Visit their web site at www.streetsmartsmd.com. Their fall class schedule is posted.

On behalf of Century High and the PTSO, we would also like to thank our outgoing President Deanne Caracciolo for the past six years of dedicated service to Century High! We all appreciate her hard work and commitment through the years. Thanks Deanne!

If you have any questions, ideas or concerns, please contact one of the 2010-2011 officers whose names and emails are listed on the school website. Let’s all work together to continue the success of this wonderful school!

GO KNIGHTS!

Trish Capparelli,
President

Public Notification of Career and Technology Education Offerings

Carroll County Public Schools offers career and technology education programs in business, agriscience, allied health, trade, and technical education, family and consumer science, and technology education. Business, agriscience, family and consumer science and technology education programs may be offered in each of the county's eight high schools. Allied health, trade and technical programs are offered at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center. Pro-Start and programs such as Teacher Academy of Maryland and Academy of Finance are offered at specific high schools. These programs are open to students who are in the grade levels served by the programs and who are interested in and qualify for these educational program options.

At the Carroll County Career and Technology Center students receive specialized career training and education, as well as earning credits toward high school graduation. Students may enroll in grades 11 and/or 12 in the center's competency-based programs, provided they meet prerequisites for specific courses. Students enrolled in the programs at Carroll County Career and Technology Center are also enrolled concurrently in their home schools in order to complete graduation requirements and participate in extracurricular activities. School bus transportation is provided for the students from the home schools to and from the Carroll County Career and Technology Center. A support service team is available to work with those disadvantaged and handicapped students who need additional assistance in order to be successful in their career and technology education program. For details about programs, contact the school counseling office at each high school.

Carroll County Public Schools provides career and technology education opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, religious belief, national origin, or disabilities. The Title IX Coordinators are Judy Klinger and Jim Rodriguez; the Section 504 Coordinator is Ray Prokop. These coordinators may be reached at Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, 410-751-3000.

A local application for career and technology education programs has been prepared and submitted to the Maryland State Department of Education for approval. The application is available for review and/or comment by the public. Contact Marjorie Lohnes, Supervisor of Career and Technology Education, Carroll County Public Schools, (410) 751-3104 to review this application.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| New Student Orientation | August 26 th 9:00 am |
| First Day of School | August 31st – Mod 1 begins at 7:45 am |
| Underclass Pictures | September 2nd |
| Back to School/Meet the Teacher Night | September 2 nd 7:00 pm |
| Underclass Pictures | September 3 rd |
| Schools/Offices Closed – Labor Day | September 6 th |
| Senior Portrait Make-ups | September 8 th |
| Schools/Offices Closed – Rosh Hashanah | September 9 th |
| Schools/Offices Closed – Primary Election Day | September 14 th |
| Underclass Pictures – Make-ups | September 16 th |
| PTSO Meeting (New families and College Night) | September 21 st 7:00pm |
| Underclass Pictures – Make-ups | September 30 th |
| Fall Parent Conference Night | October 14 |

ALERT NOW COMMUNICATION

The Carroll County Public School System will continue to use the AlertNow Rapid Communication Service to provide parents with information from their child's schools and the school system. Century will be sending the school newsletters through the Alert Now system. You do not need to sign up for this system. The information will be taken from the emergency procedure cards. If you wish to receive a paper copy of the newsletter please notify Mrs. Prince in the Main Office.

ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS

The Maryland State Department of Education has changed the method school systems use to determine students' attendance. Under the new regulations:

A student is counted present for a full day if the student is in attendance four (4) hours or more of the school day. ***A student is counted present for ½ day*** if in attendance for at least two (2) hours of the school day, but less than four (4) hours. If a student is in attendance at school for less than two (2) hours during the day, the student will be considered absent for the entire school day.

ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

All students are expected to attend school regularly and to be on time for classes in order to benefit from the instructional program and to develop good habits of punctuality, self-discipline, and responsibility. Students who have good attendance generally achieve higher grades, enjoy school more, and are much more employable after high school.

Whenever a student is absent, a parent should call the school (410) 386-4400 by 9:00 A.M. or email the school, chsattendance@carrollk12.org indicating the reason for the absence, or the school may call the parent. Whenever a student is **late** or expects to **leave early**, a note from the parent must include date, time, reason for the missed time, telephone number for the parent, and parent signature. **Parents are asked to avoid school-time appointments for students. Students arriving more than 2 hours 50 minutes late are considered absent for ½ day. Similarly, students who leave school for appointments more than 2 hours 50 minutes before regular dismissal are considered absent ½ day.**

These notes will be approved or disapproved according to the stated codes in the CCPS Student Handbook. **A call or an email from a parent replaces the written note.** More than three consecutive days' absence due to illness may require a note from a physician.

Upon returning to school, the student must take the absence note directly to the attendance secretary in the cafeteria. Students missing class for any reason are expected to make up the missed work. If the attendance secretary or an administrator does not receive a note within five (5) days of the student's return, the absence will be considered as unexcused.

Once students arrive, they are not to leave the school grounds without proper permission. Permission will not be granted for early dismissal unless a note has been received from a parent or phone contact has been made with a parent. Any student in violation will be subject to disciplinary action including parent contact and assignment to after school detention, Saturday School, or suspension. Students leaving school, or returning after an early dismissal, are to sign out/in with the attendance secretary in the main office.

STUDENT AGENDA BOOKS

Each student will receive an agenda book the first day of school. It contains a great deal of important information. The front of the handbook contains school rules and regulations. Parents are asked to review the contents of the agenda book with their students. They are accountable for the information it contains. Students will also receive a Carroll County Student Handbook on the first day of school.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURE CARDS

Emergency Procedure cards will be distributed to students the first day of school. Please complete these and return them to advisors the next day. Current medical information must be maintained on all students.

MEDICATION POLICY – NOTICE TO PARENTS

Under no circumstances may a student bring medications to school. If a parent cannot bring in the medication, a responsible adult may bring in the medication with a note from the parent. **All medications must have a consent form signed by physician and parent.** Tylenol and Ibuprofen (Advil) only need parent signature for recommended dosage. All medications must be received in original container (no plastic baggies). All prescription bottles must be labeled with the same instructions as on the consent form signed by physician. **Policy states that bringing medication to school is grounds for suspension.** Consent forms are available in the main office of the schools.

SCHOOL LUNCH PRICES

The Board of Education has approved school meal price increases. The prices for 2010-2011 are as follows:

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| Elementary Lunch | \$2.00 | Elementary Breakfast | \$1.25 |
| Middle & High Lunch | \$2.25 | Middle & High Breakfast | \$1.50 |
| Super Lunch – High | \$2.75 | | |
| Milk | \$0.50 | | |
| Ice Cream | \$0.75 | | |

The Food Service Program is again offering parents the opportunity to purchase an annual meal plan or to pay for meals using a monthly payment plan. They are encouraging parents to sign up early to receive the most benefit from either meal plan. Attached in the back of this packet is more detailed information about the school lunch meal programs including the enrollment form for the installment payment plan.

It is against school policy for students to call for and accept delivered “carryout” food during the school day, including lunch time.

DRESS CODE

Students of Carroll County Public Schools are required to groom themselves in a manner that is modest, clean, appropriate, decent, and not disruptive to the educational process. Students are expected to abide by this dress code upon arrival to the school building through the defined ending of the school day. The requirements include, but are not limited to:

Head Coverings:

- Hats, sunglasses, or head coverings of any kind, including bandanas and visors, may not be worn in the school building unless approved for religious or medical reasons. Certain headbands, scrunchies, etc., which are used to hold hair in place and do not cover the entire head, are permitted.

Shirts - Shirts shall:

- Cover the entire back i.e., no cutout backs, no shirts that tie in back.
- Cover the *midriff area*, i.e., bottom of the shirt must meet the top of the lower attire at all times.
- Cover undergarments, (muscle shirts and under armor shirts are considered undergarments, and must have a shirt over them).
- Not be see-through.
- Fit modestly so that the cleavage area is covered.
- Have two straps, one on each shoulder (no tube tops or halter tops).

Skirts/Skorts/Shorts/Pants:

- Skirts, skorts, and shorts should not be excessively short. The guideline for “excessively short” is clothing that exposes the upper half of the thigh while standing.
- Pants shall cover undergarments at all times and not be excessively long so that they drag on the floor.

Other:

- No shoes with wheels shall be worn.
- No bedroom slippers shall be worn.
- No chains which could inflict significant bodily harm if used as weapon, spiked clothing or accessories shall be worn.
- No mutilated, cutout or ragged clothing shall be worn that exposes bare skin between the upper chest and mid-thigh or creates a significant distraction.
- Underwear shall not be showing and shall not be worn as outerwear.
- Clothing shall not convey advertisements for condoms or other birth control devices, stated or implied.
- Clothing shall not convey messages that express hate, racial slurs, or sexual harassment.
- Clothing shall not convey establishments or products whose names can be directly interpreted or construed as carrying a “double meaning” involving sexual innuendo, tobacco, alcohol or drug use, gang symbols, weapons, or *sexual activity*.

Violations:

A student found wearing inappropriate clothing will be asked to change or remove the item and will be given the opportunity to do so. Should the student not be able to change or remove the item, clothing may be provided by the individual school. Students who fail to cooperate will be referred to an administrator. Any student not complying with the direction of the administrator may be considered insubordinate and subject to appropriate disciplinary action. A school administrator, in consultation with a Director, has the discretion to enforce additional requirements in order to maintain a safe and secure environment.

Request for Exceptions:

Exceptions to the dress code for the purpose of school spirit activities by clubs or organizations will occur at the discretion of the school administration.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

A. *Electronic communication devices* must be turned off and placed out of view before entering the schoolbuilding and remain off and out of view during the entire school day. The principal may approve written requests for exceptions (e.g., from emergency agencies) in advance.

B. The audible notification of electronic communication devices must be turned off while being transported on a school bus.

C. Students are responsible for the security of their electronic devices. Carroll County Public Schools is not responsible for theft or damage of a student's electronic communication device.

D. Students who display and/or use an *electronic communication device* and/or fail to follow the directions of a staff member or bus driver regarding electronic devices will be subject to disciplinary action, including but not limited to the following:

1. **First offense (on, ringing, or visible):** Confiscation of the electronic communication device for the remainder of the school day. The electronic communication device will be returned to parent/guardian at the end of the school day or as soon as pick-up can be arranged. Notice will be given to the student and parent/guardian that the next offense will result in detention or Saturday School for *Insubordination*.

2. **Second offense (on, ringing, or visible):** Confiscation of the electronic communication device and Saturday School or detention for insubordination. The electronic communication device will be returned to the parent/guardian as soon as pick-up can be arranged. Notice will be given to the student and parent/guardian that the next offense will result in a 1 – 3 day suspension for insubordination.

3. **Third offense (on, ringing, or visible):** Confiscation of the electronic communication device and a 1 – 3 day suspension for insubordination. The electronic communication device will be returned to parent/guardian as soon as pick-up can be arranged. Notice will be given to the student and parent/guardian that the next offense will result in a 3 – 5 day suspension for insubordination.

4. **Fourth and repeating offenses (on, ringing, or visible):** Confiscation of the electronic communication device for the remainder of the day and a 3 – 5 day suspension for insubordination. The electronic communication device will be returned to the parent/guardian as soon as pick-up can be arranged.

E. Camera phones – a student's possession or use of a camera phone during the school day shall constitute use and display of a cell phone with the same consequences as defined above. If a camera phone is used for inappropriate, illicit or illegal activities, more severe consequences will be imposed, up to and including extended suspension or expulsion.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES (OTHER)

A. Laser pointers – are prohibited on school property and will be confiscated if brought onto school premises. Other consequences, as listed for camera phones, may also be enforced. Portable video games and other noninstructional electronic devices are prohibited during class time. These may be confiscated and returned to a student's parent/guardian if used inappropriately.

B. Video Games and Video Cameras - permission of the principal is required prior to bringing either to school due to the potential distractions.

MVA Requirements for Learner's Permit

Effective July 1, 2007, any student applying for a learner's permit who is under the age of 16 years must present to the motor vehicles administration a certified copy of their school attendance record. The MVA will not issue a learner's permit if the school attendance record indicates more than ten (10) unexcused absences during the prior school semester. Students who need this documentation for MVA will submit to the attendance secretary a completed MVA form. (These forms must be obtained from www.marylandmva.com). The school will need 24 hours to verify and process the information required to complete the form.

Valuable Items / Theft

Each year, we emphasize to students to limit valuables brought to school which are not needed for instructional purposes. Typical items reported lost or stolen include cash, IPODS, cell phones, and electronic devices. Every student is issued a locker with a combination. We do not encourage students to share lockers or their combinations with others. Items left unattended in team rooms, locker rooms, and general areas are the most susceptible to theft.

ADA Compliance Statement

The Board of Education of Carroll County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment of provision of services, programs or activities. Information concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act is available from the Director of Facilities, (410) 751-3177. Persons needing auxiliary aids and services for communication should contact the Office of Community and Media Relations at (410) 751-3020, or publicinfo@carrollk12.org or write to Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, use Relay or 7-1-1. Please contact the school system at least one (1) week in advance of the date the special accommodation is needed.

Deliveries to Students During the School Day

All items brought for students must be delivered to the main office. Due to the high volume of traffic in our main office, we request that deliveries be limited whenever possible. Students are not called out of class to receive deliveries; they are notified during their lunch time or at the end of the school day (especially for uniforms and equipment needed for games/practices). Balloons, flowers, or gifts should not be delivered to school; thank you for your understanding!

Driving to School / Parking Permits

Driving to school is a privilege reserved for juniors and seniors only. We do not have enough parking to accommodate every student who wants to drive to school. Parking permits are required for all students; the cost of a permit is \$20 for the year. The cost goes down by \$5 each quarter throughout the school year. Permits will go on sale the first day of school (August 31) during all lunch shifts. Students are encouraged to come pick up a parking permit form and bring this completed with parent signature and vehicle information when they want to purchase a permit. Students do need to maintain academic, attendance and behavior eligibility to continue to drive and park on school property.

Consent and Release Information

Permission to Photograph, Videotape or Audiotape

Throughout the school year, the Carroll County Public School System frequently covers school activities and may use your child's photograph, video image, or voice for educational, informational, or public relations purposes, with or without identification by name.

If you do not wish to have your child's voice reproduced on tape or to have his/her image appear in such things as a video, a photograph, or the school website, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their children being audiotaped, photographed, videotaped, or having their image placed on a school website by the school system unless such notification is received.

There are also occasions when the media cover certain school events (such as when a government leader visits a school). If you do not wish to have your child's name or likeness published by the media, you should address your concerns directly to the school involved so that the media is so advised. Please be advised that the school system has no control over the media when they are covering activities such as sporting events and musical programs that are open to the public.

Use of Student Work on Websites or in Publications

There may be times throughout the year when the Carroll County Public School System wishes to display student work on school websites or in publications. If you do not wish to have your child's art, poetry, writing, etc. appear on school websites or in publication, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their child's work being displayed on school websites or in publications unless such notification is received.

Parent Volunteers / We need you!

Please call Debby Prince (410) 386-4400 in our main office if you are able and interested in donating some of your time and expertise to Century High School. We are in the need of parents to help with our "Copy Center" (copying materials for teachers), the School Store (during lunches we need parents to help manage the school store), as well as throughout the year for events and career activities.

We hope to hear from you soon!

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL MEAL PLANS

2010 –2011 School Year

GREAT NEWS – Lunch prices will remain the same for the 2010-2011 school year!

Two different meal plans will be available to students for the 2010-2011 school year. We encourage you to choose the plan that is most convenient for you. In addition to these plans, daily payment is always available. These plans are a convenient, simple way to ensure that your child will be eating a well balanced, nutritious school lunch every day.

ANNUAL MEAL PLAN

Using this plan, parents can pay for their child's lunch in a one-time payment for the entire school year. We accept Visa, MasterCard, Money Order, Cash or Personal Check. The cost for a full year starting August 31, 2010:

Lunch:

Elementary \$340.00*
Middle & High (Regular) \$382.50*
High School (Super) \$467.50*
* Reflects a 10 meal discount.

Breakfast - Only available at schools serving breakfast:

Elementary \$206.25*
Middle & High \$247.50*
*Reflects a 15 meal discount.

If your child attends a field trip please notify the cafeteria manager one (1) day prior to the event and a bagged lunch will be provided.

To enroll your child by cash, check or money order: complete an enclosed enrollment form (titled **Annual Meal Plan**) for each participating child. Check and money orders should be made payable to Carroll County Public Schools. Remit to CCPS, Food Service Department, 125 N. Court Street, Westminster, MD 21157. **(Please do not send to your child's school)**

To enroll your child using a VISA or MasterCard: call 410-751-3040 or 410-751-3087 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, beginning July 1, 2010.

If you would like to have your child's plan in effect for the first day of school, we recommend that you order prior to August 27, 2010. Please note there are no refunds on this plan unless your child moves outside the CCPS system.

INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN

Using this plan, parents can pay for their child's lunch through an easy direct debit from a checking or savings account. Payments will be withdrawn in equal monthly installments on the 20th of each month, August thru April. The monthly installment is as follows:

Lunch:

Elementary
\$40.00/month
Middle & High (Regular)
\$45.00/month
High School (Super)
\$55.00/month

Breakfast - Only available at schools serving breakfast:

Elementary
\$25.00/month
Middle & High
\$30.00/month

If your child attends a field trip please notify the cafeteria manager one (1) day prior to the event and a bagged lunch will be provided. Installments are debited on the 20th of each month and cover meals to be served starting on the first day of the subsequent month. Enrollment forms must be received by the 15th of the month to secure your child's start date on the 1st day of the subsequent month. Applications received after the 15th will be processed on the 20th of the following month. If your bank rejects a debit twice, this plan will no longer be available to the student.

To enroll your child in this plan, complete the enclosed forms: **Installment Meal Plan Student Enrollment Form & Installment Meal Plan Authorization Agreement.** Remit the original signed forms with a voided check to: CCPS, Food Service Department, 125 N Court St. Westminster, MD 21157

We would like to thank you for your past participation in the Food Service Program, either through daily payment or one of our meal plans. If you have not been a past participant, please consider the options we are offering. We look forward to serving you again this year and hope that the "Lunch Program" will be a positive experience.

**ANNUAL MEAL PLAN
STUDENT ENROLLMENT FORM
(One per child)**

Child's Name: _____

School/Grade: _____

Breakfast: (√ Selection)

Elementary - \$206.25 _____

Middle & High - \$247.50 _____

(available only at breakfast
serving schools)

Lunch: (√ Selection)

Elementary - \$340.00 _____

Middle & High (Reg.) - \$382.50 _____

High School (Super) - \$467.50 _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

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Telephone #: _____

Payment Type (Select one):

Cash/Money Order _____

Check _____

Credit Card:

Visa _____ or Mastercard _____

Account # _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date ____/____/____

3 Digit Security Code _____

(last three digits located on back of card)

Remit to:

Carroll County Public Schools

Food Service Department

125 N. Court Street

Westminster, MD 21157

Thank you for your participation in our meal plan program

**INSTALLMENT MEAL PLAN
STUDENT ENROLLMENT FORM
(One per child)**

Child's Name: _____

School/Grade: _____

Breakfast: (√ Selection)

Elementary - \$25.00/mo. _____

Middle & High - \$30.00/mo. _____

(Available only at breakfast
serving schools)

Lunch: (√ Selection)

Elementary - \$40.00 _____

Middle & High (Reg.) - \$45.00 _____

High School (Super) - \$55.00 _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

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Telephone #: _____

PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK

Remit to:

Carroll County Public Schools

Food Service Department

125 N. Court Street

Westminster, MD 21157

Thank you for your participation in our meal plan program

Carroll County Public Schools 2010 – 2011 School Calendar

August

- 13-20 New Teacher, Pre-Service Professional Days
- 23 Professional Development for Instructional Assistants
- 24-30 Pre-Service Professional Days for Teachers and Instructional Assistants
- 31 Schools Open – First Day for Students

September

- 6 Schools/Offices Closed – Labor Day
- 9 Schools/Offices Closed – Rosh Hashanah
- 14 Schools/Offices Closed – Primary Election Day

October

- 1 Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide; Professional Development Time available for Instructional Staff; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 15 Schools Closed for Students and 10-Month Staff – Professional Meeting Day

November

- 2 Schools/Offices Closed – General Election Day
- 8 Marking Period Ends. Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide; Teachers Work on End of Marking Period Items; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 15 Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide; Professional Development Time available for Instructional Staff; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 22 Schools Closed for Students, Teachers, and Instructional Assistants
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- 24–26 Schools/Offices Closed – Thanksgiving Holiday

December

- 10 Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal for Elementary Students; Professional Time for Elementary Teachers; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 23 Schools/Offices Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal – Last Day before Winter Holiday; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 24 Schools/Offices Closed – Christmas Eve
- 27-31 Schools/Offices Closed – Winter Holiday

January

- 3 Schools/Offices Reopen
- 17 Schools/Offices Closed – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- 28 Marking Period Ends. Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide; Teachers Work on End of Marking Period Items; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 31 Schools Closed for Students – Professional Day for Teachers

February

- 11 Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal for Elementary Students; Professional Time for Elementary Teachers; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 21 Schools/Offices Closed – Presidents' Day
- 22 Schools Closed for Students; Professional Development for Teachers

March

- 14 Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide; Professional Development Time available for Instructional Staff; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students

April

- 8 Marking Period Ends. Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide; Teachers Work on End of Marking Period Items; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 22 Schools/Offices Closed – Good Friday
- 25 Schools/Offices Closed – Easter Monday
- 26 Schools Closed for Students, Teachers, and Instructional Assistants

May

- 12 Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal for Elementary Students; Professional Time for Elementary Teachers; Schools Closed for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 30 Schools/Offices Closed – Memorial Day

June

- 15 Last Day for Pre-Kindergarten Students
- 16 Last Day for Students, Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes Early Dismissal System-wide – Professional Time for Teachers
- 17 Professional Time for Teachers – Last Duty Day

Approved – 10/14/09 Board Meeting

Updated – 10/20/09

Updated – 5/17/10

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS-SCHOOL CALENDAR 2010-2011

All duty days or half days when students are not in school will be used for professional meetings, in-service activities, or workdays as determined by appropriate central office administrative personnel or the school principal.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION DATES:

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| June 1, 2011 | Manchester Valley High | 7:00 p.m. |
| June 2, 2011 | Francis Scott Key High | 7:00 p.m. |
| June 3, 2011 | Century High | 2:00 p.m. |
| June 3, 2011 | North Carroll High | 7:30 p.m. |
| June 4, 2011 | Westminster High | 1:30 p.m. |
| June 4, 2011 | South Carroll High | 7:30 p.m. |
| June 5, 2011 | Liberty High | 1:30 p.m. |
| June 5, 2011 | Winters Mill High | 7:30 p.m. |

South Carroll Career & Technology Center will hold its Certificate Ceremony on Wednesday, May 25, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Carroll Springs will hold its Certificate Ceremony on Friday, May 27, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Gateway School will hold its Certificate Ceremony on Tuesday, May 31, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Carroll County Career & Technology Center will hold its Certificate Ceremony as students complete their programs. Dates and times will be released through the school.

NUMBER OF DAYS IN SCHOOL CALENDAR:

| MONTH | PUPIL DAYS | TEACHER DAYS | *MARKING PERIODS |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| AUGUST | 1 | 6 | FIRST AUGUST 3 NOVEMBER 8 |
| SEPTEMBER | 19 | 19 | SECOND NOVEMBER 9 – JANUARY 28 |
| OCTOBER | 20 | 20 | THIRD FEBRUARY 1 – APRIL 8 |
| NOVEMBER | 16 | 16 | FOURTH APRIL 11 – JUNE 16 |
| DECEMBER | 17 | 17 | |
| JANUARY | 19 | 20 | *Actual marking periods may be |
| FEBRUARY | 18 | 19 | adjusted depending on the use of |
| MARCH | 23 | 23 | emergency closing days. |
| APRIL | 18 | 18 | |
| MAY | 21 | 21 | |
| JUNE | 12 | 13 | |
| TOTAL | <u>-4*</u> | <u>-4*</u> | |
| | 180 | 188 | |

*Emergency Closing Days

If any of the four (4) emergency closing days are not used, the last day for student and staff are as listed below:

One (1) day not used – Last Student Day – June 15th, Last Staff Day - June 16th.

Two (2) days not used – Last Student Day – June 14th, Last Staff Day - June 15th.

Three (3) days not used – Last Student Day – June 13th, Last Staff Day - June 14th.

Four (4) days not used – Last Student Day – June 10th, Last Staff Day - June 13th.

In the event that the school year is shortened due to unused emergency closing days, the last student day will be a two-hour and forty-five minutes early dismissal. The one-day immediately following the last student day will serve as a professional day for teachers. If further emergency days are required, the Board will request a waiver from the State Board of Education and if not granted, the school year will be extended.