



NORTH CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL

HOME OF THE PANTHERS

From the Principal

August 2009

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We welcome new readers of this newsletter, especially students and parents in the class of 2013 and families new to our community.

I hope the summer has been a relaxing time for all North Carroll High families. We are looking forward to an outstanding school year and are busy getting the building ready for opening day, August 25, 2009.

For this year only, the following daily schedule will be used:

DAILY BELL SCHEDULE

Warning Bell	7:15 am 7:25 am
MOD #1 7:30 – 8:50 am	
Student Enrichment Time	8:55 – 9:30 am
MOD #2 9:35 – 10:55 am	
MOD #3 11:00 – 12:55 pm	
<i>Lunch A</i>	10:55 – 11:30 am
<i>Lunch B</i>	11:40 – 12:15 pm
<i>Lunch C</i>	12:20 – 12:55 pm
MOD #4	1:00 – 2:20

Orientation for incoming ninth grade students and Meet the Teacher Night for all students will be held on Thursday, August 20th. Orientation for incoming 9th graders will begin at 5 pm in the auditorium where students will be given the opportunity to meet with their faculty advisor, receive a tour of the building, and be assigned their locker. Parents of ninth graders will meet with administration to receive information on several key facets of the high school program.

Students in grades 10-12 are invited to attend the Meet the Teacher portion of this evening which will begin at 6:50 pm.

Please feel free to contact any of the administrators or counselors this summer if you have any questions. Enjoy the rest of your summer, we look forward to seeing you on August 20th

Kimberly Dolch

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NOTES

The 2009-2010 season of Panther Marching Band starts with our first practice on Monday, August 10. We will perform at all home football games and different parades throughout the year. It is open to any student in grades 8 - 12. Even if you didn't attend the interest camp, there are slots still open - NO INSTRUMENTAL EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. Rehearsals for the fall season will be mostly on Thursday evenings from 6 - 9 PM. See below for the band camp rehearsal dates and times. Come one, come all and be part of an exciting season of football games, parades and other performance opportunities.

Please contact Mrs. Brown, Instrumental Program Director, at jhbrown@k12.carr.org for further information or call NCHS 410.751.3450

Save the dates

Marching Band Camp:

Monday, Aug. 10 – Friday, Aug. 14 from 9 AM – 4 PM

Monday, Aug. 17 and Wednesday, Aug. 19 from 5 – 9 PM

Friday, Aug. 21 from 3:30 – 6:30 PM.

Parent Preview Show – Friday, Aug. 21 at 6:30pm.

The Parent Preview Show is the students' chance to show their families how all their hard work during band camp has paid off. Show your Panther Pride and see the "show" for the 1st time.

End-of-camp Pool Party at Four Seasons from 7 - 10 PM immediately following the Preview Show

Mandatory Parent Marching Band Parent Meeting – Monday, Aug. 10 at 6 PM in the Band Room

Hampstead Carnival Parade is on Saturday, Aug. 15 at 5 PM. Come on out and cheer them on

The next Instrumental Music Boosters meeting is August 10, 2009 in the band room. The meeting starts at 6 PM and is mandatory for all marching band parents. Please contact the IMB president, Debbie Mays, at maysldjih@comcast.net if you want to be a part of this lively, fun organization.

Hampstead Carnival is Monday, August 10th through Saturday, August 15th from 7 PM to 10 PM each night. We are in need of parent volunteers to run the dunking booth as well as volunteers to be "dunked". Proceeds help fund the entire instrumental program. Please contact Mrs. Brown or Judy Kenney at jkenney@verizon.net to participate.

All parents and family of instrumental students - your help is needed to staff the outside concession stand. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY! We need 4-5 people per night during the week and 10-12 people for Friday night football games. The first athletic home game is Friday, September 4, 2009.

Homecoming (our biggest night of the year) is Friday, October 2. With a shrinking instrumental program, we need everyone's help to make this a successful season. So, mark your calendars and come out and help support the ENTIRE Instrumental music program, as well as a winning athletic program!!

Contact Mary Romelfanger at mary@romelfanger.com to sign up.

Come and support the students at their annual end-of-summer car wash at Wendy's in Hampstead on August 22nd, 2009 from 10 - 2 PM. All instrumental students are welcome to help. Students have the opportunity to earn money from the proceeds for their student accounts. Please let Mrs. Brown know of your intent to help.

Keep a look out for Mrs. Brown's e-mail regarding the schedule for the entire instrumental program for the 2009-2010 school year.

If you have any questions regarding anything about the instrumental program, please contact Mrs. Brown, jhbrown@k12.carr.org, current students or call NCHS and they will direct you to the right person.

Transcript Fee

Please be aware that effective immediately, the fee for high school transcripts of previous students is \$5.00 each.

Video/audio cameras are placed on school buses to protect students and staff and provide for a safe and orderly environment. The privacy of students and the recording are kept secure and are reviewed only by the authorized Carroll County Public Schools personnel.

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 unless such notification is received.

There are also occasions at which 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.

Carroll County Public Schools Volunteer Program - *Making A Difference Together*

Level II Volunteers (classroom helpers, tutors, chaperones, mentors, etc) are required to attend an annual training session at least seven (7) school days prior to volunteering. School Days are defined as days when schools are open for students. Scheduled training sessions for the 2009-2010 school year will be available by mid-August. Many schools include volunteer training sessions with other school activities/events, so look for dates and times in school newsletters and AlertNow updates. Volunteer training obtained during the 2008-2009 school year is valid through September 30, 2009. Plan to attend a volunteer training session before October 1, 2009 to avoid a break in your volunteer service. Thanks in advance for supporting student achievement by volunteering in our schools.

Additional information about the school system's volunteer program can be obtained by contacting Jane Farver, CCPS Volunteer Program Coordinator at ejfarve@carrollk12.org or 410-386-1536.

NCHS Volunteer Training Dates

August 20—4 PM media center

August 26—5:30 PM—media center

September 21—7PM—media center

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL MEAL PLANS
2009 –2010 School Year

Two different meal plans will be available to students for the 2009-2010 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 25, 2009:

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, 2009.

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 21, 2009. 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

**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 _____

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High School (Super) - \$55.00 _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

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

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(available only at breakfast
serving schools)

High School (Super) - \$467.00 _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

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**

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**INSTALLMENT MEAL PLAN
AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT
DIRECT PAYMENTS (ACH DEBITS)**

I (we) hereby authorize, Carroll County Public Schools/Food Service, hereinafter called COMPANY, and the financial institution named below, hereinafter called FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, to initiate debit entries to my (our) checking/savings account indicated below.

(Financial Institution Name)

(Branch)

address) (City/State) (Zip Code) _____ (Street)

(Routing Number) (Account Number)

Type of Account () Checking
() Savings

This authority is to remain in full force and affect until COMPANY has received written notification from me (or either of us) of its termination in such time and manner as to afford COMPANY and FINANCIAL INSTITUTION a reasonable opportunity to act on it. I can stop payment of any entry by notifying my FINANCIAL INSTITUTION at least 5 days before my account is to be charged. Furthermore, I (we) acknowledge that a \$10.00 Service Fee will be charged for early termination.

**Remit to:
Carroll County Public Schools
Food Service Department
125 N. Court Street
Westminster, Md. 21157**

(Authorized Signature)

(Date)

PLEASE ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK TO THIS FORM !

North Carroll Athletic Hall of Fame

The athletic program is, and always has been a vital part of the overall educational experience at North Carroll High School. The experiences lived and skills learned on the playing fields at North Carroll have helped prepare student-athletes for life in the adult world and provided lasting memories. Thousands of student-athletes, and hundreds of coaches, administrators, and others have participated, or played a role in the school's athletic program since its inception in 1956.

There are, however, those special people who have stood above the rest in their achievements and contributions to the North Carroll Athletic program. In order to properly recognize these elite contributors, we initiated the North Carroll Athletic Hall of Fame in 2006.

The mission of the North Carroll High School Athletic Hall of Fame is to recognize and honor former athletes, coaches, administrators, and others for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the school's athletic program.

Nomination Criterion

- Nominations categories will be for: athletes, coaches, administrators, and other service/contribution.
- The nomination committee will be made up of the principal, the athletic director, faculty members, and community members.
- Anyone being nominated must be 5 years removed from his or her tenure at North Carroll.
- Nomination forms will be accepted in the athletic office from the beginning of each school year through the end of March.

*** Nomination forms will be located in the main office or athletic office.

Each year at the North Carroll Athletic Banquet, new inductees will be honored with the presentation of a plaque highlighting his or her contribution to the athletic program. In order to commemorate their contributions, a duplicate plaque will also be kept in the school's main gym lobby. Congratulations to the 2008 inductees who were former NC athletes Tom Kiler and Michelle Ament Defeo!

Fall Sports Practice/Try Out Schedule

*****All North Carroll fall sports tryouts begin on August 15, 2009 except for cheerleading. You must have a completed CCPS physical form to try out. Physicals are available in the main office, or online @ the NCH website: <http://www.carrollk12.org/nchs/> Once again.....You cannot try out without a completed CCPS Physical form.....there are no exceptions!!!**

FIELD HOCKEY: 8-10AM & 5:30-7 PM (@ NCHS Field Hockey fields)

BOY'S SOCCER: 9-11AM & 5-7 PM (@ back practice fields)

GIRL'S SOCCER: 8am-12pm (meet in gym lobby)

VOLLEYBALL: 8-10AM (@ main gym)

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY: 9-11 AM meet by main gym doors

FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION:

8/10 Varsity Super 22 9-10:30AM Varsity 10:30-12 **8/11** JV 9-10:30AM 9th Grade 10:30-12PM

FOOTBALL PRACTICE: All teams 8AM-3PM (@football practice field) **BRING A PACKED LUNCH!!!**

GOLF: 4-6pm (@ Piney Branch Golf Course)

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY: **TBA**

CHEERLEADING: **Monday** 8/17 3-5pm (@ outdoor basketball courts)

Other Important NC Athletic Dates

Athletic Booster Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month school is in session, in the media center @ 7pm
First meeting of the 2009-2010 school year is 8/19/09

Fall Sports Picture Day: 8/26 @ 3pm

Meet the Coaches Night: 8/26 @ 7 pm in auditorium (mandatory meeting for all athletes & at least one parent)

Homecoming Football Game: 10/2 vs. Winters Mill @ 7pm

Winter Sports Tryouts: 11/14 times TBA

***Please log onto www.highschoolsports.net for an up to date North Carroll athletic schedule



Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT)

Each fall sophomores and juniors have the opportunity to take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT). This year it will be administered in each county high school on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 during regular school hours.

Students often ask, "Why should I take the PSAT?" For **juniors**, the best reason for taking the PSAT is that the participant automatically becomes eligible for the National Merit Scholarship Program that can yield monetary reward. Students may only qualify for the National Merit program in their junior year.

For **sophomores**, the major advantages of taking the PSAT are to become acquainted with a test that is similar in length and structure to the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Also, by testing against a national group, sophomores can more accurately assess their educational strengths and weaknesses, resulting in an increased awareness of academic areas in need of attention.

Developers of the SAT have indicated that one of the best ways to improve scores is to take the SAT or tests like the PSAT again and again, providing practice and an opportunity to reduce test anxiety.

Carroll County Public Schools will pay for all sophomores in a Carroll County high school to take the PSAT. Prior to the test, students will be presented a special advisory lesson to assist in their understanding of the structure and scope of the PSAT. When scores are received, each school will offer an interpretation session for parents and their students. These sessions should assist them in understanding how to use these scores to increase academic performance in the future.

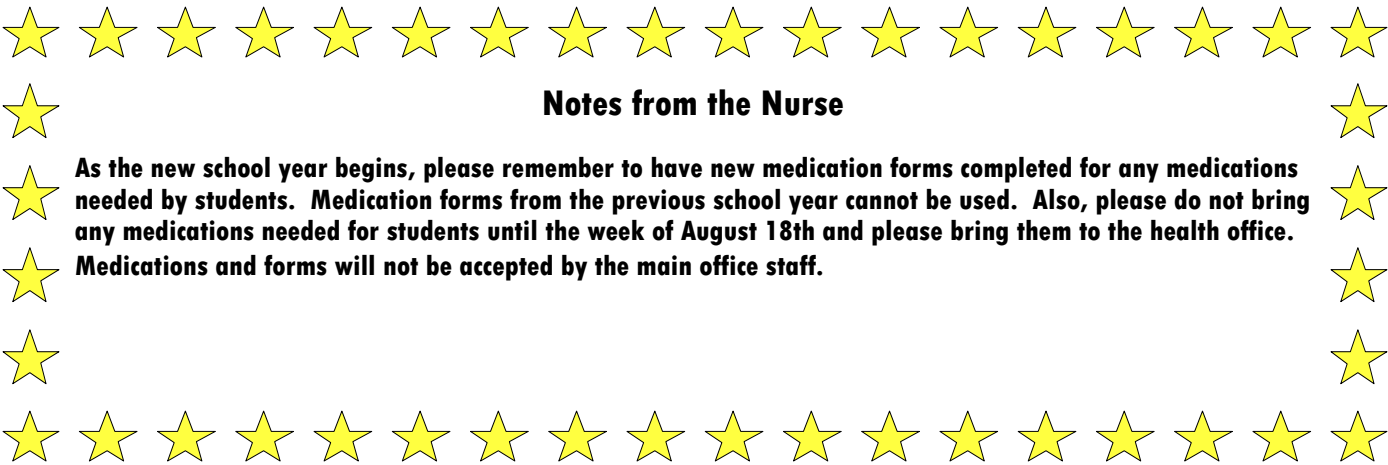
Each school will also receive a report called "AP Potential". It identifies students that, based on their PSAT performance, have the potential to take and do well in Advanced Placement (AP) courses. This information will also be shared with parents and students.

Sophomores may opt out of the PSAT if a written request is made by a parent. Please be aware that the county will not pay for juniors to take the test, even if they did not take it in their sophomore year.

All sophomores and juniors who are considering any form of post-secondary education, such as a four-year college, community college, trade or technical school, or the military are encouraged to take the PSAT. Please contact your school counselor if you have any questions.



Notes from the Nurse



As the new school year begins, please remember to have new medication forms completed for any medications needed by students. Medication forms from the previous school year cannot be used. Also, please do not bring any medications needed for students until the week of August 18th and please bring them to the health office.

Medications and forms will not be accepted by the main office staff.

2009-2010 Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser

Mark your calendar!

We are making one change this year, 1 school per night and the top 4 earners will go on to round 2 in the spring.

Sept 16	Winters Mill High School
Sept 23	North Carroll High School
Sept 30	Westminster High School
Oct 7	Century High School
Oct 14	South Carroll High School
Oct 21	Manchester Valley High School
Oct 28	Liberty High School
Nov 4	Francis Scott Key High School

The top 4 schools will then move on to the Spring Round, Those dates will be determined after round 1 so we can work with the 4 semi finalist schools schedules.

Carroll County Public Schools prepares students to understand the importance of plagiarism prevention by utilizing a web-based tool, Turnitin® developed by iParadigms. By using this tool to submit their written work, students learn about plagiarism when material from another source is identified. The tool evaluates the paper, and the student is provided with an originality report. This originality report matches the text in the student's paper to other written text from various sources: Internet, previous student submissions to Turnitin®, and databases of journal articles and periodicals. In turn, instructors assist students with crediting sources appropriately, making Turnitin® a valuable instructional tool. In addition, this tool is another means of preparing students for coursework beyond high school. Turnitin® is frequently used by colleges and universities to prevent plagiarism. To use this resource, students must enroll under their teacher's direction to submit written work. Each student receives a class ID number and a password in order to enter the Site. A student enrolls using their own email address, class ID number, and password. Students may have the teacher submit written work for them if a parent objects to their child having direct access to the program. Such requests should be submitted in writing directly to the teacher. Students may enroll independently in this program if they are eighteen (18) years of age or older.

Mark your calendar

January 7, 2010 is AP night. More information will be forthcoming.

Change of Address

In order for North Carroll High School to change a student's address, we must receive a current proof of residency. This is extremely important because the State occasionally audits our student's records and will penalize our school if the appropriate documentation isn't included.

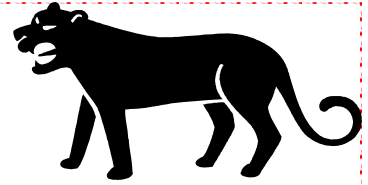
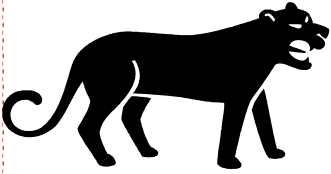
Please assist us in making the change of address by sending in one of the following : current utility bill (electric, phone or cable), OR a copy of the lease/settlement papers. If the proof of residency doesn't have a parent/guardian name on it then a residency verification form must be completed as well. If there are any questions or concerns regarding a change of address or proof of residency, please do not hesitate to contact our Registrar, Ms. Caryn Mason at 410-751-3461 ext. 254.

STUDENT SAFETY

Parents there is a concern with stopping in the middle of Panther Drive and dropping off students. This creates a safety hazard with students crossing roadway everywhere. Parents please drop off students off in the loop or enter the parking lot first.

CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The Board of Education of Carroll County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment or 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, TTY 410-751-3034, or write to Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, MD 21157 at least one (1) week in advance of the date the special accommodation is needed.



**North Carroll High School
Class of 2011 Fall Scrapbook Crop**

September 26, 2009

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

With school just getting started, many people have summer pictures that just haven't found their way into a scrapbook yet. Do you have a whole stack of pictures that need a home? How about getting a jump start on your holiday cards. Either way, this is the day that every "scrapper" needs on their calendar.

This second annual crop includes:

- Lunch included with snacks
- Continuous scrapbook time (9 to 5)
- Tons of prizes
- Lots of opportunities to win fun contests!
- Plenty of scrapping room in the Media Center

Thank you gift for coming

Day cost

\$25 per person due no later than Monday, September 14. Checks may be made out to North Carroll High School Class of 2011. Payment can be given to Ms. Pritchett or to Margie Cronhardt at 4368 Old Field Lane, Hampstead, MD 21074. All payments received prior to August 1st will be entered into a special drawing. Don't forget, register early!

Book your spot early, because this will fill quickly!

If you have any questions, contact Margie Cronhardt at (410) 239-9761 or pdcron@qis.net.

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

email: _____

I would like to sit near _____

***I am a home consultant with a scrap book or craft company (name) _____ and

would like to:

_____ be a vendor (\$40 fee includes all the above)

_____ donate a door prize or raffle item

Basket & Vera Bradley Bingo

featuring Longaberger Baskets and Vera Bradley Purses

North Carroll High School Cafeteria

Friday, September 25, 2009

Doors open 5:30 pm

Early Bird Game 6:45pm

Games Begin 7:00 pm



Tickets: \$12 in advance

\$15 at the Door

to benefit

North Carroll Choral Boosters

Light Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Many basket & purse prizes will include matching accessories!

For Bingo Information Call Margie Cronhardt at (410)239-9761

Your admission ticket includes cards for 20 regular games. Each seat must have a ticket.

This event is in no way affiliated with the Longaberger Basket or Vera Bradley Companies.

Permit

Emergency Cards

Carroll County Public Schools will require parents to complete 1 emergency information card per child. This card will have pressure sensitized paper on the top portion of the card, thereby requiring the parent to only complete 1 card, but allowing the school to have a duplicate copy of the emergency information from the beginning of the school year. Emergency cards are due back to school August 28, 2009.

Underclass Portraits

School portraits will be taken on:
September 3 and 4 by Victor

O'Neill Studios.

It is important for students to be photographed even if a package is not purchased. Student ID cards will be issued using photographs taken on this day. Order forms will be distributed the first week of school.

Free and Reduced Lunch

At the beginning of each school year, the Carroll County Public School System provides you as a parent or guardian with an opportunity to qualify for free or reduced price meals for your child/children. If your child does qualify, benefits include free or reduced price breakfasts and lunches and a waiver of the \$80 athletic team fee. In addition to these benefits for children and their families, the state of Maryland provides the school system with additional funding for every child who qualifies for free or reduced price meals. Even if you qualify but choose not to take advantage of the program, the school system still receives funds. These important funds are used to improve programs and services that enhance the quality of your child's education.

If you think you may be eligible for free and reduced price meals, please take the time to fill out the form and send it in to your school office. Please remember that if you are eligible but choose not to participate, filling out the form will still allow the school system to receive valuable funding that will ultimately benefit your child.

All forms will be reviewed by the school administrator, and you will receive a letter in the mail confirming your eligibility. We recognize that this form is complicated and that you may have questions. To make this process a little easier, we are training school administrators and volunteers who will be available to assist you. Please keep in mind that all information, including the names of students who participate, is confidential.

As a school system, we need your support.

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AlertNow Announcement for Newsletters

The Carroll County Public School System is now using the AlertNow Rapid Communication Service to provide parents with information from their child's schools and the school system. AlertNow replaces eSchoolnewsletter and is capable of delivering both e-mail and phone alerts at no charge to parents. You do not have to sign up for the new system. All information is taken from emergency procedure cards. AlertNow was piloted in six schools last year and we have had very positive feedback. We are excited about the new capabilities AlertNow offers and believe it will greatly enhance our communication with parents and our school communities.

School System Announces New Parent Communication System

The Carroll County Public School System is now using the AlertNow Rapid Communication Service to provide parents with information from their child's school and the school system. AlertNow replaces eSchoolnewsletter and is capable of delivering both e-mail and phone alerts at no charge to parents.

AlertNow was piloted in six Carroll County schools during the 2008-2009 school year. Positive feedback and valuable input has been received from the participating schools and parents.

Among the enhanced capabilities of AlertNow is a feature that allows the schools to send phone alerts to parents. Phone alerts will be limited to high priority and emergency messages such as:

- closings or delays due to inclement weather or emergencies
- attendance calls
- cancellation of school activities
- interim report and report card reminders.

Other information will be sent via e-mail. Examples include:

- school newsletters
- announcements of upcoming events and activities
- parent group updates
- information from the Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools.

According to Stephen Guthrie, Assistant Superintendent of Administration, "The AlertNow electronic newsletter and telephone calling system provides a great vehicle for the school system to enhance our communications to the Carroll County school community for not only routine information but in emergency situations as well."

Parents and guardians will not need to subscribe to this communication system. All contact information will be taken from the student information system, which is based on the information provided on the emergency procedure cards. This will provide schools with the flexibility to target newsletters and other communications to parents of students by grade, homeroom teacher, bus number, and other criteria.

Schools will begin sending communications using the AlertNow system in August.

CONSENT AND RELEASE

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 publications, 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 Needed

Volunteers are needed at North Carroll High School. If you can volunteer a few hours a day or a few hours each week, we would be delighted to have you.

Please contact Karen Mitchell, Volunteer Coordinator @ 443-507-0899 or at karenmmitchell@comcast.net with questions.

Volunteer training will be held at NCHS media center on the following dates:

August 20—4 PM
August 26—5:30 PM
September 21—7PM

Parent's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

When are you available:

	am	pm		am	pm
Monday	___	___	Thursday	___	___
Tuesday	___	___	Friday	___	___
Wednesday	___	___			

Could you help weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or as needed? _____

I can help in the following areas?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Media Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Calls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Career Day Speaker | <input type="checkbox"/> Administration Office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mock Interviews | <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore Class Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman Class Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Class Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Class Activities | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skills: | |

Please Fill Out and Return to the Main Office By September 15th



Public Notification of Career and Technology Education Offerings



Carroll County Public Schools offers career and technology education programs in business, agriscience, allied health, trade, industrial and technical education, family and consumer sciences, 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. Trade and industry and technical programs are offered at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center and South Carroll High School. An allied health program is available at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center. 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 and at the Career and Technology Center at South Carroll High School, 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 centers' competency-based programs, provided they meet prerequisites for specific courses. Students enrolled in the programs at the centers 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 centers. 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 guidance 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. Carroll County Public Schools offers career and technology education programs in business, agriscience, allied health, trade, industrial and technical education, family and consumer sciences, 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. Trade and industry and technical programs are offered at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center and South Carroll High School. An allied health program is available at the Carroll County Career and Technology Center. 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 and at the Career and Technology Center at South Carroll High School, 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 centers' competency-based programs, provided they meet prerequisites for specific courses. Students enrolled in the programs at the centers 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 centers. 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 guidance 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.



North Carroll High School Athletic Boosters

Come one – Come All!!!! Welcome to the “New North Carroll High School’. Let me begin by introducing myself. My name is Robin Miller, and I am the new President for the North Carroll High School Athletic Boosters. We are very excited about the new beginning for the school and it is our hope that you as parents will join the new board and I as we start our new journey to what will be an incredible experience for your children while attending NCHS.

I would like to thank the outgoing officers who dedicated many hours of their lives to make their high school years memorable.

President – Bonnie Burrier

VP – Sue Kron

Secretary – Jill McWhirter

I would like to welcome the new officers

VP – Bonnie Kapinos

Secretary – Candi Urch

Treasurer – Julie Barkley (returning for another year).

Last year we raised over \$20,000.00 for our athletes. Our goal for the 2009-2010 school year is to raise \$30,000.00. We need everyone’s support to reach this goal. All profits from this year’s fundraisers will go directly into the NCHS Boosters Fund for all athletes. If you ask the athletes what they would like to have the answer will likely be, ‘good quality, well-made uniforms and equipment to make us look good.’ We all know that this is not cheap. The athletes as we all know are also very competitive; and now we have competition!!! Let’s give the athletes what they want. We can do this with everyone’s help. Please join us on **August 19th, 7:00pm in the **Media Center** and meet the new officers, give us your ideas and help all of us reach the same goal.**

Thank you

Robin Miller

North Carroll High School Athletic Boosters President

We are on the web:
<http://www.carroll.org/ccps/nchs/main.html>



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