Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy

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Academy News

PRINCIPAL'S POINT OF VIEW

It's time to start thinking about getting back to school. That's right, we're welcoming summer and bidding it farewell in a single, efficient effort. I hope that, despite the lack of genuine summer weather, you found the time and means to relax and recreate.

Besides sounding the wake-up alarm, I want to let you know what to expect as we ramp up for this new school year.

First, if you have been by the Academy in the last several weeks, you will certainly have noticed that the building project is moving along in earnest. The high school side of the street will have a different appearance this year, with the addition of three classrooms and a few thousand square feet of commons area. Construction is running behind schedule, which means the first several weeks of school will involve some crowding and shuffling of teachers seeking rooms to teach in. We've been through this process before; it's not ideal, but it is temporary and has a happy ending.

We welcome nearly 700 students in grades six through twelve this year, which represents a growth of about fifty from last year's opening day. This is the result of filling nearly every grade to its cap, and not an opening of the floodgates. Unless we raise the enrollment caps, this number represents the "end game," or our carrying capacity for this site. In other words, you shouldn't hear me talk about growth again anytime in the near future.

New students are invited to attend the "Panther Prowl," our new-student orientation, on Tuesday, August 23 at 11:00. After a short gathering and welcome in the multi-purpose room, students will be accompanied by ASB representatives to meet teachers, find out where classrooms are, and get a feel for the school. Lunch will be served outdoors by our wonderful parents, where new families can continue to visit and settle in.

The first day of classes is the following Monday, August 29th. Traditionally, the first several days of school present significant traffic issues in the morning. It is imperative that we all exercise patience and courtesy, and follow the instructions of the traffic directors. If they wave you around the block, please follow the direction. This eases the burden and keeps traffic from backing up onto Kathleen Avenue, which poses a serious danger. If everyone cooperates, everything moves much more smoothly.

We're about three weeks from opening day. That's plenty of time to enjoy this late-coming summer weather and get ready to hit the ground running. See you on the 29th!

Dan Nicklay, Principal

Welcome New Teachers!

Michael Harrison—Band/Orchestra

Jayna Mills—Pre-Algebra & Algebra 1

Chris Sabatke— Algebra 1 & Physical Science

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New Daily Schedule

Period 0	7:00-7:50
Morning Bell	7:55
Period 1	8:00-8:55
Period 2	9:00-9:50
Break	9:50-9:55
Study Lab	10:00-10:35
Period 3	10:40-11:30
*MS Lunch	11:30-12:00
Period 4 (HS)	11:35-12:25
Period 4 (MS)	12:05-12:55
*HS Lunch	12:25-12:55
Period 5	1:00-1:50
Period 6	1:55-2:45
Period 7 (6th Grade Strings)	2:50-3:45
Study Hall (Optional)	3:00-4:00

*New lunch schedule

PANTHER PROWL

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Tuesday, August 23, 2011
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

All students who are new to the Academy this year are invited to attend the Panther Prowl. This is a new-student orientation introducing new students and their parents to teachers and their classrooms. Our staff is excited to meet you!

ASB students will be here to welcome you, show you around, and brief you on some of the Academy routines. Lunch will be provided by the Charter PTO.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE!

www.cdacharter.org

Become a fan on Facebook

Add Michelle Lockhart-Admin as a friend to receive Academy events on facebook.

Follow us on Twitter

Sign up for the school calendar

>>YOUR GO-TO PLACES FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION!<<

TAKE NOTE: Icons, websites, and email addresses are hyperlinked in our newsletters. The August newsletter is sent by email; starting next month, we will send by mail or email based on your preference at registration. Please consider going paperless! This saves both time and money. Email Michelle at mlockhart@cdacharter.org to make the switch!

Transportation

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy does not provide transportation to or from school for our students. It is the responsibility of each family to make all the necessary arrangements to provide this transportation for their student (s). However, there are numerous carpools with the PTO and the White Tail Transportation bus routes accommodate many of our students. Contact White Tail Transportation today at 448-0848 for details and bus routes. **(Bus registration forms are available at the office.)**

White Tail Transportation bus also transports students from the Academy to the Kroc Center daily. The cost is $1-2.00 per day (price TBD). Be on the bus by 2:50 PM.

If you are interested in carpooling, contact Tanya Roth, PTO Carpool Coordinator, at rothtanya@rocketmail.com.

FROM THE REGISTRAR

By Melissa Thompson
mthompson@cdacharter.org

Math Placement for All New 7th-12th Grade Students

All new 7th – 12th grade students who wish to enroll in Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, or Finite Math are required to take a math placement exam. Please call me to schedule a placement exam for your student as soon as possible.

Transcript Requests

Need a transcript sent? Watch your deadlines and allow one week for me to process the request. The 'Permission to Release Records' form is available in the sorter by both offices and on our website. It must be signed by a parent if the student is under 18.

Keep Us Posted

As always, keep us posted if your home address, e-mail address, or phone numbers change during the year.

Class Schedules

Class schedules were mailed out August 1. If you have not received your schedule, please call the office at 676-1667. Every attempt was made to accommodate the requested classes. Some changes were necessary due to master schedule changes and/or classroom limits. Contact Counselor, Dr. Jim Schaffer for any schedule changes (for compelling reasons). Changes may be made August 22-26, 2011. Please bring your class schedule with you on the first day of school.

SCHOOL PICTURES

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

Picture packets will be sent home with your student. All students must have their photo taken, even if a purchase is not made.

DUAL ENROLLED STUDENTS: You may arrive and have your photo taken anytime between 7:30 -11:00 AM.

PICTURE RETAKES/GROUP PHOTOS: October 13, 2011, 8:00 -11:00 AM

AFTER SCHOOL PROCEDURES

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy does not provide transportation to or from school for our students. It is the responsibility of each family to make all the necessary arrangements to provide this transportation for their child(ren).

At the Academy, regular classes end at precisely 2:45 PM each day. After 2:45 PM the students have until 3:00 PM to gather their things, take care of any business, and vacate the building. **All students must be out of the halls and off the playground no later than 3:00 PM.** Students who have made arrangements to be picked up **by 3:00 PM** may wait in front of the building for their ride to arrive. **Students who are going to be picked up after 3:00 must check into our supervised study hall room or be in a classroom with another teacher until their ride gets here.** The study hall room is open from 3:00 – 4:00 PM on Monday-Friday. **All students accessing the after school study hall must be picked up no later than 4:10 PM** (The only exception is that students beginning an activity at 4:00 PM must go immediately to their coach/advisor no later than 4:00 PM) The study hall is **located in the high school multi-purpose room** and is supervised by Mr. Gabrielsen.

Students remaining at school after 3:00 PM will be allowed to use their cell phones or the phone in the commons to communicate regarding their pick up time. Also, before 4:00 PM you may come into the building and the office will call your child out of study hall for you.

These procedures also apply to students who are waiting after school for sports or other extracurricular activities. Please be aware of your child's extracurricular schedules and make all the necessary arrangements for transportation immediately at the end of the scheduled activity.

Other than the supervised study halls, meeting with individual teachers in their classrooms, and supervised extracurricular activities, the Academy does not provide supervision of students after 3:00 PM. Again, it is the responsibility of the family to make all the necessary arrangements for transportation. Due to supervision and liability issues, the Academy will not allow students to 'hang out' in the hallways or playground areas after school.

We have a closed campus, so after your child arrives at school **he or she may not leave campus without a parent or other pre-arranged adult** (i.e. carpool, relative). Please refer to the Closed Campus Policy included in this newsletter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are committed to the safety and well being of our students, and having them on campus unsupervised is not acceptable to us. If you have questions or would like to discuss our after school procedures please call the school at 676-1667.

Student Handbooks

Student handbooks will be sent home with your child the first week of school. All parents and students are required to read the handbook, sign the acknowledgement page, and return it to their study lab teacher.

The student handbook is also available online.

NO DELIVERIES ALLOWED

In order to keep disruptions in the classroom at a minimum, the office staff does not deliver homework, lunches, clothing articles, flowers, or gifts. Because we understand that items are sometimes left at home, we have provided a **drop-off table** for your child's convenience. Simply bring the item **with their name clearly marked on it** and drop it off on the table located outside the front office (valuable items, such as lunch money, may be left with the office staff). Students may check this table between classes, or at lunch. Students should check the table if they have left anything at home.

Non-emergency messages will not be delivered to the classroom; we will attempt to deliver these messages between classes. **We page students to the office at the end of the school day to deliver remaining messages.**

Students are not allowed to leave their class to use the phone or for any other non-emergency reason.

Every effort will be made at all times to ensure the integrity of the classroom.

Parent Communication

We communicate with Academy families by:

- Monthly Newsletter, *Academy News*, (mailed to your home or sent by e-mail, based on the selection you chose at registration).
- *Daily Announcements* sent via e-mail
- Online Activities Calendar www.cdacharter.org
- Information sent home with the student

As a courtesy to our families, daily announcements are e-mailed to the address provided at registration. If you need to change your e-mail address, or if you wish to be removed from the list, please contact the office.

Volunteer Drivers

We need volunteers to drive students to extracurricular activities. A volunteer driver must have copies of the following turned in to the office, **each school year**, prior to driving students to and from activities:

- Driver's license
- Current auto insurance card
- Three-year driving record. Driving records may be purchased at the DMV or online at www.itd.idaho.gov/dmv.

Traffic Volunteers Needed!

Mornings: 7:45—8:00
Afternoons: 2:40—3:00

You choose the day; you choose the time.

Call the office if you are interested in volunteering 676-1667. We appreciate your help in keeping our students safe!

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

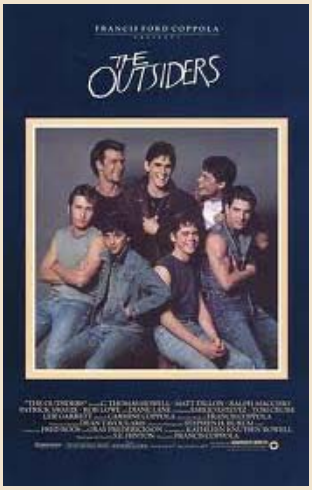
By Heather Solsvik hsolsvik@cdacharter.org

Calling all photographers! The yearbook staff needs your help capturing photos throughout the school year. Parents, if you attend athletic events, concerts, fundraisers, or anything else for that matter, we covet your photos. Students, if you take photos during lunch or during a cool class project or presentation (with your teacher's permission, of course!) we would love to have a copy to potentially use in the yearbook. And now it is easier to share your images with us. To upload photos from your computer to our system, you just need to follow the easy instructions below. We will only use photos for yearbook purposes, and will absolutely give you the photo credit for the images we use in the school publications. Thank you for helping us make the yearbook the best it can possibly be!

Here's how to share your photographic prowess with us:

- Go to www.hjeshare.com and enter the CCA school code 2048679
- Or, go to http://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/Index.jsp?code=2048679 to bypass the login screen altogether.

Drama Auditions August 31-September 1 *The Outsiders*



By Tracey Vaughan
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Auditions for *The Outsiders*, based on the famous book by S.E. Hinton, are August 31 and September 1, 2011 (yep, that's the first week of school!). If you are interested, read the book, or watch the popular 1983 movie starring C. Thomas Howell, Ralph Macchio, Tom Cruise, Patrick Swayze, Rob Lowe, Emilio Estevez, Matt Dillon, and Diane Lane. We will need 9 – 12 boys and 6 – 10 girls.

AUGUST SPEECH & DEBATE NEWS

By Elisa Barry ebarry@cdacharter.org

A MANDATORY meeting for all Speech and Debate team members will be held on 3:00 PM on Thursday, September 8 in Mrs. Barry's room (Room 2). If possible, parents should attend. At the meeting we will discuss fund-raising, the year's tournament schedule, and the wonderful parent volunteers who will be judging.

The tournament schedule for next year is almost solid! Please plan on the following dates:

2011-2012 Tournament Schedule

- October 21-22 Rookie Rumble at Lake City HS
- December 9-10 Viking Invitational at Auburn Riverside HS
- January 6-7 Conway Classic at Gonzaga University
- February 10-11 Foley Tournament at University HS
- March 17 District Speech at Coeur d'Alene HS
- March (TBD) National Quals (Location TBD)
- April 13-14 State Speech in Rexburg (If you qualify at District)

CONTACTING TEACHERS AND STAFF/ONLINE GRADES

By Michelle Lockhart mlockhart@cdacharter.org

The best way to contact your child's teacher is to send them an email. All Academy emails are first initial then last name @cdacharter.org (e.g. Michelle Lockhart is mlockhart@cdacharter.org). You may find a complete list of our teachers on our website, www.cdacharter.org/Teachers.html. We do not link emails on our website due to "web crawlers" that send spam in mass quantities to online email address. A majority of the teachers have web pages to access your child's grades, homework, and more. For online grades, go to:www.cdacharter.org/onlinegrades/. Detailed instructions are listed on the web page.

To contact an administrator or staff, go to www.cdacharter.org, click on 'Contact Us'. Our 'Support Staff' page contains a list of whom to contact. Meetings with the principal or vice principal are scheduled by appointment through the office.

MACY'S SHOP FOR A CAUSE —6TH GRADE FUNDRAISER

By Geri Hagler ghagler@cdacharter.org

Macy's is having their annual Shop for a Cause, August 27. This is a huge sale open to the public. Mrs. Hagler is selling coupon for $5 each, that will take 25% off of any clothing item (even sale items). In addition to the 25% off, you may fill out the coupon and put it in a drawing to possibly win a $500 Macy's gift card! The $5 will go into the 6th grade fund, but the coupons are available to anyone who wants to take advantage of the extra savings. The coupons make great gifts. Mrs. Hagler will be selling the coupons up through the day of our **Panther Prowl**. Contact Mrs. Hagler for any questions ghagler@cdacharter.org.

SPORTS PHYSICALS/START DATES

PHYSICALS

If you plan to participate in any sport you must have a completed Athletics and Activities Packet on file in the school office. This packet includes all necessary forms and information pertaining to Charter athletics. **A student may not participate in any practice or game until the packet has been completed and turned in to Michelle Lockhart in the middle school office.** [Do not turn in physicals or any other paperwork to the coaches. It must be turned in to the office.] Athletics and Activities Packets are available on the Charter Academy website, www.cdacharter.org or in either school office.

CONTACT:

Contact Mr. DePew
bdepew@cdacharter.org
or Michelle Lockhart
mlockhart@cdacharter.org with any questions.

SPORTS SCHEDULES

Go to: www.cdacharter.org and click on activities for a link to the schedules, or http://coeurdalene.intand.com and click on schedules (top right side of page) for a complete list of schedules.

START DATES/ TRYOUTS

AUGUST 12-13
Girls' HS Volleyball
Coach Brian Childs
208-755-6461
AUGUST 12
Co-ed HS Cross–Country
Coach Lewis Watkins
208-819-4339
SEPTEMBER—TBA
Girls' MS Volleyball
Sign-up in the MS commons the first week of school
SEPTEMBER—TBA
Co-ed MS Cross–Country
OCTOBER 31
Girls' HS Basketball
NOVEMBER 11
Boys' HS Basketball
JANUARY—TBA
Boys' MS Basketball
JANUARY—TBA
Girls' MS Basketball
FEBRUARY 24
Co-ed HS Track and Field
FEBRUARY 24
Co-ed HS Tennis
MARCH—TBA
Co-ed MS Track and Field
MARCH—TBA
Co-ed MS Tennis Club
>>>>NEW SPORT<<<<
MARCH—TBA
HS Girls' Softball

Middle school tryout dates and first practice dates will be announced in the daily announcements.

SAVE MONEY BY PURCHASING AN ASB CARD OR SEASON PASS! Plan now to attend Panther sporting events!

Student ASB Cards $30.00 – Attend games, dances, and other events for FREE or a reduced price.

Volleyball Season Pass for parents and guests: $25.00. Valid for all home games.

Basketball Season Pass for parents and visitors: $40.00. Valid for all girls and boys home basketball games.

PANTHERS

COMING SPRING 2012 LADY PANTHER SOFTBALL!

Stay tuned for details.

ATTN: ALL INCOMING SIXTH GRADE FAMILIES

TRAIL CREEK ON THE HORIZON SEPTEMBER 26 – 30

By Cathy Bierne cbierne@cdacharter.org

All Charter Academy Sixth Grade students will attend Trail Creek , a three-day, two-night outdoor education program at Shoshone Base Camp shortly after the school year begins. We are thrilled to be able to offer our students this exceptional program which affords them the opportunity to experience activities that are not possible in the classroom. Additionally, the Trail Creek experience augments the development of community amongst our students.

This year we will be attending Trail Creek the week of **September 26 – September 30**. Your child will attend the Monday to Wednesday session or the Wednesday to Friday session. We use parents as chaperones for Trial Creek. We encourage you to consider joining us on this excellent adventure. If you get a chance, talk to one of our parents who have attended Trail Creek with his/her child in the past; we believe they will tell you that this is an event you do NOT want to miss! Start consulting your calendars NOW!

Each student will be required to pay $100.00 toward the cost of the trip. This fee covers all costs associated with the trip including transportation, food, lodging, and other miscellaneous expenses. The fee for parent chaperones is $35.00. **The money for Trail Creek will be due shortly after the start of the school year.** We encourage you to plan for this expense now.

We look forward to greeting you at the Panther Prowl!

The Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy 6th Grade Team

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHTS

6TH GRADE ONLY

Wednesday, September 7
6:00—7:00 PM

Report directly to your child's sixth grade classroom.

We share a **LOT** of information with parents on this evening – please make every effort to have at least one parent present. It is not necessary for your child to attend, but he/she is more than welcome.

7TH-12TH GRADES

Wednesday, September 14
6:00—8:00 PM

Report to the MMPR (middle school multi-purpose room) at 6:00 PM for instructions. Parents (only) will go from classroom to classroom, following their child's schedule to meet teachers and receive class overview/expectations. Bring your child's schedule with you.

LOCKERS ASSIGNED DURING STUDY LAB THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL

Student lockers will be assigned during the first week of school. Locks are available from the office for a charge of $10.00. At the end of the school year, locks must be returned to the office, and the student will receive a refund of $5.00. Only school locks may be used on school lockers, and the office retains the right to open any locker for unannounced inspection at any time. Any change to locker assignment must be done by the administration.

Mr. Rigg, PE Teacher

PE Uniforms

PE uniforms are also available at Dennis Uniforms and Underground Expressions.

Visit our website for a full list of uniform requirements and vendors. www.cdacharter.org/Uniforms.html

PERMISSION TO LEAVE CAMPUS GRADES 11-12

Leaving Campus During Unscheduled Class Periods

Juniors and seniors in 'good standing' will be given the privilege of leaving campus during periods they have no classes scheduled. In order to attain 'good standing,' juniors and seniors must meet all of the following requirements:

- Juniors must have at least 22 credits earned and be on track to graduate with their class.
- Seniors must have at least 34 credits earned and be on track to graduate with their class.
- Have no suspensions for behavior or other school violations.
- Have a valid Permission to Leave Campus form on file in the office. This form must be signed by a student's legal parent or guardian, the school counselor, and the vice principal.

The following rules apply to students leaving campus, **with a permission to leave campus form on file in the office signed by parents, vice principal, and counselor.**

- A student may not be off campus during lunch unless he/she has no class scheduled during period 4 or 5.
- A student may not leave campus during Study Lab unless he/she has no class scheduled during period 2 or 3.
- During regularly scheduled classes, if a student has to leave for a doctor appointment, emergency, or any other reason, they must be checked out by a parent/guardian, by phone or note to the office. Permission to leave campus does not apply to regularly scheduled class periods.
- Students leaving campus during the school day are required to sign in and out at the office. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in loss of privilege.
- Students who are tardy to class upon returning to campus **more than three times in a semester** will lose the privilege to leave campus during unscheduled class periods. Parents will be notified if privileges are revoked.
- Students who remain on campus during unscheduled class periods, or arrive on campus during unscheduled class periods must be in an assigned study hall or comply with other arrangements made with the vice principal.

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy will not monitor, nor take responsibility for transportation methods used by students leaving campus during unscheduled class period and/or returning to campus to attend scheduled classes.

Contact Brett DePew bdepew@cdacharter.org if you have any questions regarding this policy.

Volunteers Needed!

Printable Registration Forms Online!

2nd Annual Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy RALLY for Education

Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy's

2nd Annual *Rally for Education* Fundraiser

An Afternoon Road Rally through North Idaho

Saturday, October 1, 2011

Event begins at 1:00 PM

WHAT IS A ROAD RALLY?

- It is a competition of intelligence, teamwork, and the ability to follow directions and solve clues.
- A driver, a navigator, and up to four (4) passengers will decipher clues to specific destinations "pit stops" throughout Kootenai County.
- Cars will leave the starting line at set intervals and accurate time will be measured to the nearest second.
- Each pit stop will serve as a time check station and require the completion of a challenge to receive the clues to the next destination.
- The finish line will be a community event for all to enjoy and include dinner, entertainment, prizes, raffles, and of course the winning results of the Rally.

MONEY RAISED FROM THIS EVENT WILL GO TOWARD:

1. To our current high school addition (see our current summer project on our website www.cdacharter.org)
2. College Scholarship Fund

Become a Sponsor! Visit www.cdacharter.org/RallyHome.html

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TRAFFIC FLOW INSTRUCTIONS:

Vital information for the safety of your children!

PLEASE DO NOT:

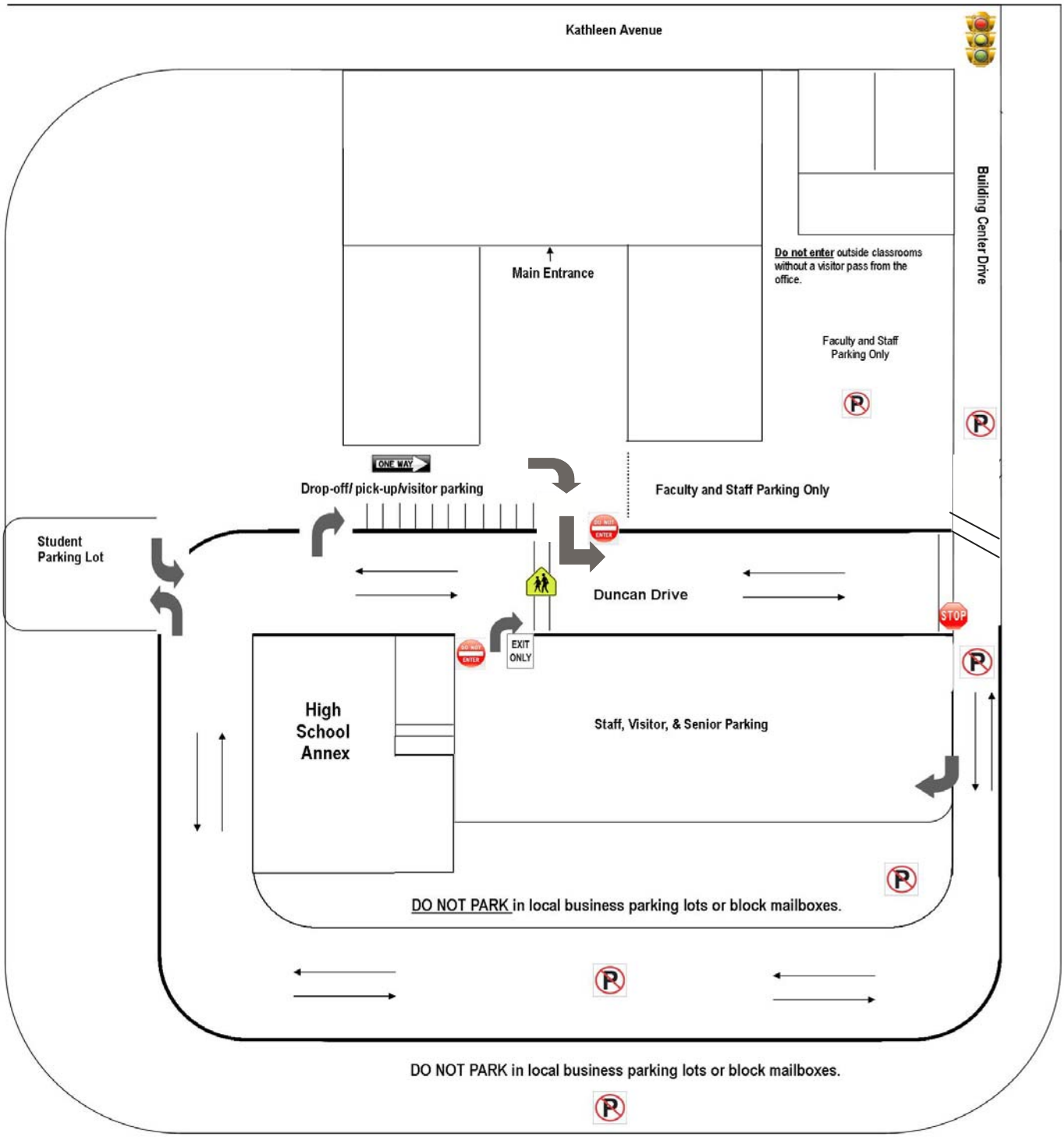
- Stop in the middle of the street to drop off/pick up a student, or for any other reason, other than to avoid a collision.
- Park in the handicap space unless you have a proper handicap sticker.
- Make a U-turn in front of the school during peak traffic times.
- Try to have a conversation with the crossing guards when they are working.

PLEASE DO:

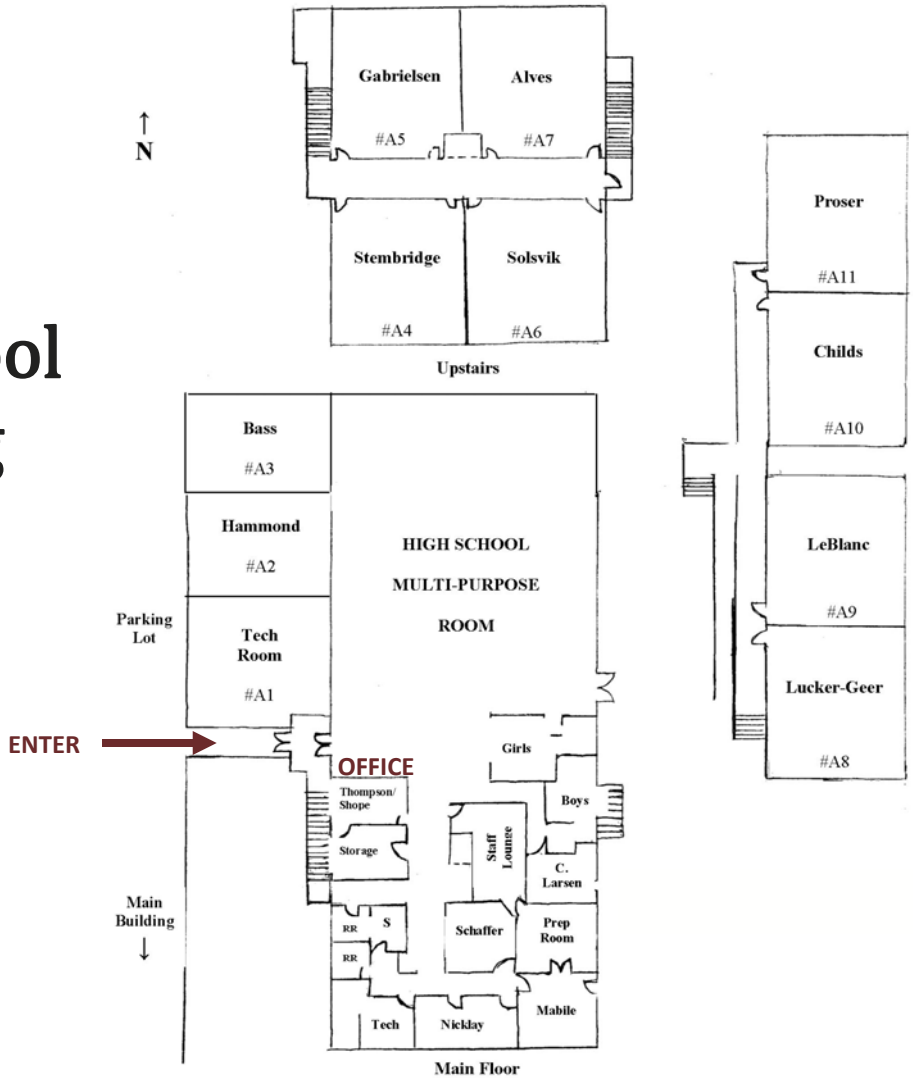
- Follow the directions of the person holding the stop sign. The only time to disregard his/her directions is to avoid a collision.
- Be patient with the crossing guards. No one likes to wait, but everyone has to sometimes in a highly congested area.

PLEASE AVOID:

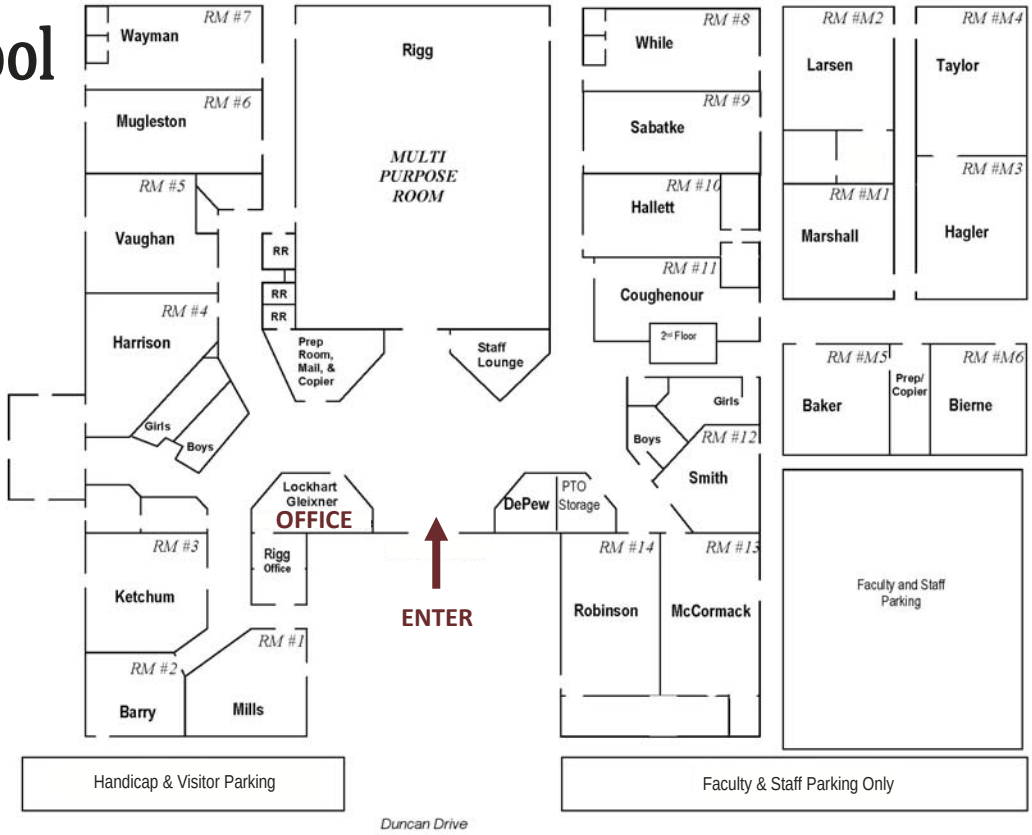
- Using cell phones in a school zone. Most of the "close calls" have been because someone was on their cell phone and not paying attention.
- Turning from the middle school exit across the crosswalk.
- Parking within one car length of a crosswalk, as it blocks the view of oncoming traffic.



High School Building



Middle School Building



PTO PRESS

Parent Teacher Organization August 2011

...to support the school, to promote academic excellence and to create a sense of community through fundraising, volunteer

WELCOME TO THE PTO

Welcome to the Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy PTO. As a parent or guardian of a Charter student, you are automatically a member of the PTO. Studies show that one of the best ways to ensure your child's success in school is to be involved. With dedicated parents, teachers and staff at the Charter Academy, we have an awesome school!

There are many volunteer opportunities throughout the school year. We are short on volunteers and need you! We hope that we can count on everyone to make a small contribution of time and energy. Keep in mind that if everyone helps out with something, no one person will have to help with everything. Please join us by volunteering to keep our school the very best it can be! If you are interested in volunteering, contact Cheri Rose Kociela at 755-4262.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Annual Events & Fundraisers

- Middle School Lock-In
- All-School Year-End Picnic
- Academy Awards Night
- Eighth Grade Celebration
- Used Uniform Sale - March & July
- Triple Play Night
- Box Tops / Food Labels
- Road Rally Fundraiser - Volunteers needed for Finish Line Event, Pit Stops, Sponsorship Procurement, Data Entry, and general help as needed.

Faculty/Staff Appreciation

- Adopt-A-Teacher
- Monthly Staff Lunch
- Teacher Appreciation Week

School Assistance

- Traffic Control
- Registration Help
- Newsletter / Directory
- Lunch Program Helpers
- Refreshment Team

2011-2012 PTO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CONTACT VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR, CHERI ROSE-KOCIELA TO GET INVOLVED!

LUNCHES

LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA

Mondays & Wednesdays

Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza
$1.00/slice
Drinks & snacks $.50—$1.50

192 E. Neider Avenue
Coeur d'Alene, 667-8200

RED BOWL

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Oriental chicken/rice bowl $3.00
Drinks & snacks $.50—$1.50

1650 W Appleway Ave.
Coeur d'Alene, ID 765-8668

LIL POLPETTA

Fridays

Sub Sandwiches $2.50
Drinks & snacks $.50-$1.50

1735 W. Kathleen Ave.
Coeur d'Alene, ID

PTO Meeting Calendar

PTO meetings are held the second Monday of every **month.**

Meetings are held in Mrs. Larsen's Room M2 at 3:00 PM.

September 12, 2011
October 10, 2011
November 14, 2011
December 12, 2011
January 9, 2012
February 13, 2012
March 12, 2012
April 9, 2012
May 14, 2012

PTO Contacts

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Secretary: Nancy King
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Used Uniforms: VOLUNTEER NEEDED

STUDENTS WHO DRIVE TO SCHOOL MUST COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW TO RECEIVE A 2011-2012 PARKING PASS.

Bring this form and the required information to the high school office on the first day of school.

ACADEMY PARKING

Driving to the Academy is a privilege. Any violation of safety procedures, reckless behavior, irresponsible behavior, or unauthorized parking may result in suspension of driving privileges. Students are required to park their vehicle in the assigned lot (senior parking north parking lot and all other students in the east parking lot). The driver who parks his/her vehicle off campus or in an unauthorized location will be subject to disciplinary action. All vehicles driven to school must be registered with the office each year and display the official permit on the rearview mirror.

To receive a permit you must submit the following to the Academy office:

Proof of insurance (current insurance card)
Driver's license
Permit fee: $1.00 per vehicle

The permit is valid for one school year. You must provide the above information to the office each year to receive a new permit. Students may exchange last year's permit for a new one.

Vehicle #1 Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Color _____ License _____ State _____	OFFICE ONLY: Permit # _____
Vehicle #2 Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Color _____ License _____ State _____	OFFICE ONLY: Permit # _____
Vehicle #3 Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ Color _____ License _____ State _____	OFFICE ONLY: Permit # _____

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Student's Name (print) Student's Signature

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Parent's Name (print) Parent's Signature

MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

For the protection of your child and the Academy, we ask that the following procedures be followed if you would like your son/daughter to take medicine while at school:

- Parent or legal guardian must complete and sign the Medical Administration Authorization form (insert) and bring it with medication to the school office.
- The medication **must be in the original container with the student's name clearly visible on the bottle; (no baggies or pillboxes allowed)**.
- The medication authorization must be delivered in person by the parent or legal guardian, not the student.

The medication will be administered to the student by the school secretary (or other authorized staff member) in the school office.

No medicines of any kind may be retained by the student in lockers or backpacks, with the following exception: A student who has been instructed in the self-administration of medication for treatment of a serious condition (e.g. asthma, allergies, diabetes) shall be permitted to possess and use a prescribed medication (e.g. inhaler or Epi Pen) at all times, provided the school has received, and administration has approved, a signed prescription or written direction from his/her physician or health care provider stating that the carrying of such medication is medically necessary.

Medication forms can be found online. Go to: http://www.cdacharter.org/Forms.html .

Visit Our Website

Our activities calendar is posted on our website and is updated on a regular basis. We encourage you to use the online calendar to remain up to date on all Academy activities. The online calendar allows you to: view daily calendar, print a customized monthly calendar, print schedules (i.e. choir, band, volleyball, etc.), get directions from Google Maps to your away activities, receive schedule change notifications to your email or cell phone, and free sync schedules to your Outlook, Palm desktop, or iCal. Instructions: Go to our website www.cdacharter.org, click on Activities/Calendar, click on "sign in" and follow the steps.

STUDENTS & PARENTS: TAKE NOTE

A couple of notes on the uniform policy:

BOOTS: Boots, if worn, must be covered by slacks. Like non-uniform coats, students may wear boots to school, uncovered; but once they are at school, the boots must be removed or covered. The last year saw boots become a major fashion statement at the Academy. Remember that the uniform policy is largely about de-emphasizing fashion statements. For the coming year, we are going to enforce the policy as we did for many years—if you wear them, you must cover them.

TEAM WARM-UPS: Team warm-ups will not be allowed as uniform items for the school day, any more than a volleyball or basketball jersey would be. Teams sometimes purchase warm-up jackets or shirts, and in recent years these have been treated as uniform items. However, with the accumulation of activities and successive years of new items, it has become nearly impossible to determine when students are wearing team-specific warm-ups and when they aren't.

TEAM UNIFORM ITEMS: Teams or groups may get approval from administration to add a group logo to uniform items. For example, the track team might choose to modify an Academy sweatshirt to say "Track" under the existing logo or submit a new logo that is specific to their sport. Any modified item must be approved by administration before it may be worn in school.

COLLEGE SHIRT WEEK: During the last week before graduation, seniors will be encouraged to wear sweatshirts from the college or university they plan to attend. We want to honor these students for their achievements and allow them to sport their new colors.

2011-2012 Uniform Requirements

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