

Cape May County Technical School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope this letter finds you enjoying the summer. The first day of school is Tuesday, September 5th, and is just a few weeks away! I would like to provide you with information that both you and your son/daughter need to have a successful start to the year:

A. <u>FALL ATHLETIC PRACTICES</u>: Soccer and Cross Country and Girls Volleyball begin August 21st. Student athletes who have not been contacted by a coach should call the Athletic Coordinator at 609-380-0200, ext. 273. Students registering for Athletics must have a current physical examination and a completed Health History questionnaire on file in the nurse's office before the student is authorized to participate in practice/tryouts. For additional info and official practice dates, please visit our website.

B. <u>TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS</u>: Bus transportation to our school is arranged depending on the high school district in which you live. Soon you will receive information in the mail concerning the route number, pick up time and location. This mailing is being sent to you directly from the transportation office in the district responsible for providing the bus service.

If you have a question about this, please call the appropriate number based on the following:

Avalon/Stone Harbor 967-7544 ext. 3506

Dennis Township District (includes Woodbine) 861-2821 ext. 602

Lower Regional District 884-3475 ext. 253

Middle Township District 465-1800 ext. 5810/5811

Ocean City District 399-3191 ext. 6400

Transportation Cooperative (includes all Wildwoods & Sea Isle) 465-2720 ext. 7731 or 7761

Upper Township District 628-3500 ext. 2286

If your question is not answered, please call Mary Beth Ciccarone at 609- 380-0200 ext. 2602.

- C. <u>STUDENT SCHEDULE</u>: Schedules will be made available prior to the opening of school via Powerschool. On Tuesday, September 5th, all students will report to their first period class. Staff will be available throughout the building to assist students.
- D. <u>LUNCH ARRANGEMENTS</u>: Your child will have the option each day to either bring lunch from home or to purchase lunch items from our cafeteria. If you qualify for state aid, you must fill out a free/reduced price lunch

application, which is on our website at www.capemaytech.com. Forms should be submitted to the Guidance Office ASAP.

Note to Parents: If you have students at more than one school, you MUST submit an application to each school.

- E. <u>STUDENT HANDBOOK</u>: The student handbook can be found on our website at www.capemaytech.com or on the Hawk Haven site. It contains many student related information components, including the Student Code of Conduct.
- F. <u>ATTENDANCE</u>: It is imperative that students be present every day to benefit from the individualized teaching methods of our highly skilled teachers. We will enforce the attendance policy that you will read in the handbook. Please remember to send a note with your son/daughter the first day he/she returns to school that explains the reason for the absence.
- G. <u>APPROPRIATE DRESS</u>: Dressing in an appropriate manner demonstrates a willingness to conform to industry standards, making a student more employable and reliable. Revealing, sexual or vulgar dress is never acceptable. Students will refrain from dressing in a distracting or disrespectful way. Standards for dress satisfy the need for safety and mirror industry practices. Please refer to the "Guide to Dressing for Success", on our website, for further information.
- H. <u>MEDICATION</u>: When your child requires medication, we prefer that you administer it at home. If it is absolutely necessary that he or she takes it during the time spent in school, certain procedures must be followed. These are outlined in the handbook under the section marked "Administering Medication to Students." If you have any questions about this procedure, you may contact our school nurse.
- I. <u>STUDENT SEARCH NOTICE</u>: Unannounced searches or inspections of lockers, desks and other property, including that owned by students and brought onto school grounds such as book bags, hand bags, lunch boxes, etc. will be conducted as necessary to maintain order and discipline and to protect the safety and well-being of our entire school community.
- J. <u>Therapy Dogs:</u> The district may employ the use of certified therapy dogs throughout the school year. All Therapy animals have been through appropriate training and have been approved by our Board of Education.

During the opening days of school, each teacher will distribute to students copies of the grading criteria as well as the course proficiencies that must be accomplished in order to receive a passing grade for the course. These should be taken home and shared with you.

Most of the information frequently requested is found posted on our website, www.capemaytech.com. Please contact school personnel if there is a need for clarification or further information.

I hope this will be a most rewarding year for your child.

Sincerely,

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Steven Vitiello

Principal