

# CARLMONT CORNER

8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TRANSITION INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

MARCH 2018



## BACK TO SCHOOL CALENDAR ALERT

Dates are still being confirmed for some of these important back to school events. Please visit the *8th Grade Transition page* on the *Carlmont website* for the most up-to-date information:

- Freshman Parent Information Night: August 9, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
- Freshman Orientation & BBQ: Tuesday, August 14, 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- Early-Bird Picture Day: Tuesday, August 14, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- First Day of School: Wednesday, August 15, start time\*: 0 period 8:53 a.m., 1st period 9:43 a.m.

\* *Start time for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 0 period 8:00 a.m., 1st period 8:57 a.m.*

## STUDENT REGISTRATION (ongoing)

### Address Verification and Online Registration for ALL Incoming Students (complete by April 27)

An address verification form must be on file for every student in the Sequoia Union High School District. **Applications are being accepted now and should be submitted as soon as possible.** For the form and for additional information, please visit [seq.org/About-Us/Departments/Student-Services/Address-Verification-or-Change/index.html](http://seq.org/About-Us/Departments/Student-Services/Address-Verification-or-Change/index.html). Additionally, online registration must be completed for all incoming 9th grade students. Families will receive a letter with instructions in April and the online registration must be completed in May. Additional information for incoming 9th grade families is available on the SUHSD website at: [seq.org/About-Us/Departments/Student-Services/Info-for-incoming-9th-Grade-Students/index.html](http://seq.org/About-Us/Departments/Student-Services/Info-for-incoming-9th-Grade-Students/index.html).

### Counseling Department 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night (March 1, 7:00 p.m., Carlmont PAC)

This informational meeting will provide a review of the registration process for students from feeder and non-feeder schools. It will also include information on Carlmont High School's graduation requirements as well as those requirements necessary to apply to a four-year college. **No RSVP is necessary.**

### Registration for Incoming Students from Feeder Schools (Ralston & Tierra Linda)

8th graders attending our current feeder schools will be enrolled in math, English and science classes based on their placement tests. Forms for choosing electives will be distributed by the feeder school. More information on placement guidelines will be available at our *8th Grade Parent Night* on March 1.

### Registration for Students from Non-Feeder Schools

Registration starts February 1st for new students from non-feeder schools. Please refer to the Resources webpage for requirements at [carlmonths.org/Departments/Counseling/index.html#New\\_Student\\_Registration](http://carlmonths.org/Departments/Counseling/index.html#New_Student_Registration). Once this is complete, you can drop in to register with Irma Abelt (ext. 30095 or [iabelt@seq.org](mailto:iabelt@seq.org)).

## CARLMONT ATHLETICS TRYOUTS & ATHLETIC CLEARANCE PACKETS

If your student would like to participate in a fall sport or cheerleading, up-to-date information regarding tryouts, voluntary summer workouts and required Athletic/Activity Clearance Packets will be available on [CarlmontAthletics.org](http://CarlmontAthletics.org). Please do not contact the coach directly until after the second Saturday in June. Until that date all questions should be directed to Carlmont's Athletic Director, Patrick Smith, at [psmith@seq.org](mailto:psmith@seq.org).

**Fall sports tryouts begin August 3, 2018 for this upcoming school year, including:**

- Boys - cross country (no cut), football (no cut), water polo
- Girls - cross country (no cut), tennis, volleyball, water polo, golf
- Cheerleading (year round, *Tryouts typically occur in April for the next school year*)

**Athletic/Activity Clearance Packets (due at least one week in advance of tryouts)**

Please follow the instructions at <http://carlmonthathletics.org/hq/athletic-clearance-information/>. Forms must be signed by your child's physician and submitted online or to Ms. Eggli in Administration

## CARLMONT PERFORMING ARTS INFORMATION FOR 2018 - 2019

Please visit the *Carlmont Art Department* listed below or contact the Performing Arts staff member for information about joining, auditions and assessments.

**Band/Orchestra:** [www.carlmonthmusic.com](http://www.carlmonthmusic.com), John DaBaldo: [jdabaldo@seq.org](mailto:jdabaldo@seq.org).

Incoming 9th grade students register for Band II (Concert Band) or String Orchestra, no audition is necessary for those classes. Placement audition dates for an advanced class (Symphonic Band, Symphony Orchestra, Jazz Ensemble) are March 12<sup>th</sup> for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students from Tierra Linda and March 21-23 for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Ralston students. Please visit the Carlmont music department website for more information. .

**Choral Music Program:** [www.carlmonthchoirs.com](http://www.carlmonthchoirs.com) , Genevieve Tep: [gtep@seq.org](mailto:gtep@seq.org).

Incoming 9th grade students register for Women's or Men's Choir, no placement assessment is necessary for those classes. If you wish to schedule a placement assessment for an intermediate or advanced choir, please visit the website.

**Dance:** [www.carlmonth.org/Departments/Arts/Dance/index.html](http://www.carlmonth.org/Departments/Arts/Dance/index.html), Ame Secrist: [asecrist@seq.org](mailto:asecrist@seq.org).

Freshman interested in a placement assessment for intermediate/advanced dance can register for an audition on the dance page link. Audition dates are March 6<sup>th</sup> & March 8<sup>th</sup>. Students may register for beginning dance as a sophomore with no assessment after completing PE9 as a freshman. Please visit the dance page for additional information.

## ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITES TO VISIT CARLMONT

**Upcoming events for 2018**

- Sports! Check the *Carlmont calendar* on our homepage for upcoming game dates and times.
- [Science Lectures](#) – March 7 & April 4
- Instrumental Chamber Music Night – March 9
- Choir Night – March 23 - 24
- Annual Dance Show – May 4 - 5
- Spring Instrumental Music Concert – May 16 - 18
- Spring Choir Concerts – May 23 - 24

More information, including how to purchase tickets, please visit the following websites: <http://carlmonthathletics.org/> and [www.carlmonthperformingarts.com](http://www.carlmonthperformingarts.com)

## SUMMER READING LIST OR ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

All incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will read two books: (1) *"They Say, I Say": The Moves That Matter in Academic Writing* and (2) a community "one book" choice that all Carlmont students will read. In addition, 9<sup>th</sup> graders placed in AS English 1 will read a third book, *Of Mice and Men*. Please visit the

*Carlmont English Department* later in Spring for up-to-date information about the summer reading assignments.

## **OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT CARLMONT**

### **Carlmont Academic Foundation (CHS's version of School-Force and SCEF)**

Donations to CAF reduce class sizes, invest in teachers, fund creative programs and support college counseling. Parent/guardians of incoming freshman are invited to join members of the CAF board for a dessert reception, **Thursday April 19th from 7 to 8:30pm** in the Student Union. Meet Principal Ralph Crame, Carlmont Administrators and hear presentations by Carlmont Instructional Leads regarding how to help your student adjust to high school. For more information and to donate online, visit: [www.carlmontacademicfoundation.org](http://www.carlmontacademicfoundation.org)

### **Learn about PTSA and volunteer opportunities at Carlmont**

Visit the PTSA (for parents, guardians, teachers, AND STUDENTS) at [www.carlmonths.org/Parents/PTSA/index.html](http://www.carlmonths.org/Parents/PTSA/index.html) for information about how to volunteer and to participate in our Scrip program.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Carlmont High School website: [www.carlmonths.org](http://www.carlmonths.org)

Scot Scoop: [scotscoop.com](http://scotscoop.com)

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition page: [www.carlmonths.org/Parents/8th-Grade-Transition/index.html](http://www.carlmonths.org/Parents/8th-Grade-Transition/index.html)

Sequoia Union High School District website: [www.seq.org](http://www.seq.org).