



COMMUNICATION BULLETIN

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Good evening C.P. Allen Students and Families:

Thursday, Oct 8: School Photo Re-Takes

Thursday, Oct 8: Grade 12 Post Secondary Expo (afternoon in the gym)

Thursday, Oct 8: Grade 12 Parent Post Secondary Information Evening 6-8pm

Thursday, Oct 8: Cross Country Regional Championships

Friday, Oct 9: Lunch Order Window Opens for October 19-30

Monday, Oct 12: Thanksgiving Day (no classes)

Tuesday, Oct 13: Army Reserves at CPA for interested students at lunch in the student exchange area

Wednesday, Oct 14: Lunch Order Window Closes for October 19-30

Grade 12 Post Secondary Expo

The grade 12 student Post-Secondary Fair will take place on Thursday, October 8 in the gym during the afternoon. This is an exciting event for grade 12s where they can meet university and college representatives from Atlantic Canada to learn more about what each institution has to offer. There will also be breakout sessions with some of the universities that grade 12s can sign up for after the expo portion.

Grade 12 Parent Post Secondary Information Evening

Parents of grade 12 students are invited to join CPA Guidance Counsellors on Thursday, October 8 at 6:00pm in the cafetorium for an information session on all things post-secondary. After the presentation, guests will be invited to the gym to meet representatives from various universities, colleges and institutions from across Atlantic Canada.

Grade 12 Measurements for Grad Gown Sizes

Although we are just starting the school year, planning for June graduation starts early. We have to order grade 12 graduation gowns by early November for the June ceremony. Students should log into their GNSPES and fill out the [Graduation Gown Size Form here](#). **Due October 31 at 3:30pm**

Student Photos and Re-Takes

Calnen Studios will be returning on Monday, October 5, 2026, and Thursday, October 8, 2026, to photograph any students who have not yet had their school picture taken.

On Monday morning, we will be calling down students who have not yet been photographed. Monday afternoon and all day Thursday will be reserved for picture retakes.

Students who wish to have a re-take must sign up in the Google Form. Please remember the appointment time you book and arrive for your photo re-take on time.

<https://forms.gle/UTr7EBC9AdskwbyTA>

Student Europe Trip 2027 – Early Registration Discount

Students interested in travelling to Cinque Terre, French Riviera and Barcelona March 25-April 2, 2027

Click to register - <https://www.eftours.ca/tour-website/3081153XS>. Students who register before October 8 will receive a \$250 enrolment incentive.

October is Mi'kmaq History Month

Each October, Mi'kmaq History Month provides an opportunity to deepen our understanding of Mi'kmaq culture, history, language and traditions, while recognizing the important contributions of Mi'kmaq people past and present.

Across our schools, students and staff may mark the month through learning, storytelling, art, community connections and cultural experiences that bring Mi'kmaq perspectives into the classroom and school community.

As we learn together, Mi'kmaq History Month reminds us of the importance of listening, building relationships and continuing our shared commitment to truth and reconciliation.

Learn more about Mi'kmaq History Month [here](#).

Ordering Lunches

It is important for students (families) to place their orders during the ordering window, so we don't run out of food.

The ordering window opens on: **Friday, October 9**
The ordering window closes on: **Wednesday, October 14 at noon**
This is for lunches during the week of October 19-30

Need help with how to order school lunches? [Click here](#).

Student IDs and School Pictures/Re-Takes

A few more student IDs have arrived for students whose were missing. Please come to the School Counselling Office (room 242) to pick them up. Also there are still many student IDs that have not been picked up. Please stop by to get your ID.

For students who have not had their photo taken yet or would like a re-take, the photographer will be back at CPA on **October 5 and October 8 to take your photo**.

Visitors to Charles P. Allen High School

Any visitors coming into Charles P. Allen High School must first report to the main office. This includes parents and family members.

Also, students from other schools are not permitted to enter CPA to visit friends during the school day.

Better With Bees Pie-a-Teacher Fundaiser

Better with Bees is hosting Pie-A-Teacher on October 13th and 14th! It will take place in the basketball court during lunch for \$3 per plate.

CPA Athletics

Good luck to CPA Athletes participating in the Cross Country Regional Championships on Thursday, October 8!

You can find the schedule of games and practices on the [Athletics Calendar](#).

October is Canadian Library Month

October is a chance to celebrate the important role libraries play in our schools — and the Library Support Specialists who bring those spaces to life.

Every day, our school libraries help students discover new interests, build literacy skills, find reliable information and, sometimes, simply find a welcoming place to spend some time. Our Library Support Specialists are an important part of making that happen.

Canadian Library Workers Day is recognized on the third Friday of October, followed by Canadian School Library Day on the fourth Monday. These are great opportunities to recognize the people who help make our libraries engaging, inclusive and supportive spaces for students.

Please join us in thanking our Library Support Specialists for all they do to support students, staff and school communities.

We are so grateful to our Library Support Specialist at CPA, Ms. Maurice. Thank you for all you do for students and staff at CPA.

Yearbook News

Cover Contest

The yearbook committee has set up a cover contest for the cover of the 2026-2027 yearbook. Your design could be the one chosen! Submit your cover entry at the link below. **Due October 7.**

Rules and guidelines:

- No profanity
- No inappropriate content
- No discrimination
- No AI-generated content

[Upload your design here.](#)

Pre-Order Your Yearbook Today!

Pre-Order your yearbook today at the early bird price of \$65. Earlybird pricing ends on October 23. [Order here.](#)

Submit Your Photos for the Yearbook

Do you have photos of school events or of you and your friends at school events? Want them to be in the yearbook? Complete the submission form (linked below) and upload your photo. Each photo needs a separate submission, but you can submit as many as you wish. [Submit photos here.](#)

Have a great week!

Stephanie Bird, Principal

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