COMMUNICATION BULLETIN

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Good evening C.P. Allen Students and Families:

October is Mi'kmaq History Month
October is Canadian Library Month – Huge thank you to Ms. Maurice our Library Support Specialist
Monday, Oct 19: Continuing Care Assistant Program Information at CPA during lunch in the student exchange
Tuesday, Oct 20: Dal Computer Science at CPA during lunch in the student exchange
Friday, Oct 23: Lunch Ordering Window Opens for Lunches from November 2-November 13
Friday, Oct 23: NSTU Provincial Conference Day (**no classes for students**)
Wednesday, Oct 28: Lunch Ordering Window Closes for Lunches from November 2-November 13
Wednesday, Oct 28: Canadian University Fair at CPA 6pm-7:30pm
Thursday, Oct 29: Student Halloween Event – Humans vs. Zombies

LUNCH ORDER WINDOW FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2-13
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 23**
The ordering window closes on: **Wednesday, October 28 at noon**

Need help with how to order school lunches? Click here.

We Scare Hunger Food Drive

The CPA Interact Club is hosting a Halloween-themed food drive, ***We Scare Hunger***, from Oct. 19-30

- We are collecting non-perishable food items that will be donated to Feed Nova Scotia
- Food items can be donated using the donation boxes located in classrooms/the Student Exchange area, or during door-to-door donation collection happening in the West Bedford and Basinview area on the 31st from 3:30-5:00pm
- Interact Club will also be hosting a cookie decorating lunchtime event on the 29th. To participate, students can pay a small fee, which will go towards Feed Nova Scotia.

CPA 2025-2026 Awards

Our CPA Awards event will occur on the morning of October 28th during C and D periods. These awards are for our present grade 11 and 12 students. Their full year course average will be calculated from the 2025-2026 school year. Students will be called to the cafeteria by Honours, High Honours and Principal's List by grade level and surname. The list will be available to students by student number in their Google Classroom by Monday October 26th. Students will receive a certificate, a photo and a treat.

Virtual Remembrance Day Wall of Honour – Photos Needed

Leadership 12 will be creating a CPA "Virtual Wall of Honour and Remembrance slide show" similar to the one done by the Royal Canadian Legion (linked here). We are asking students who have a family member or members who served or serve currently, to submit a photo of them along with the following information:

-Name
-Years of service
-Element of force
-Regiment/unit to which the veteran belonged
-Tours

Photos and information can be emailed to: jenna.stanley@hrce.ca.

This slideshow will play from Nov. 5 - 11th for Veterans' Week. **The deadline for submissions is November 1st**.

Canadian University Fair

Charles P. Allen School Counsellors will host a Canadian University Fair on October 28 from 6:00-7:30pm.

Parents and students are invited to meet with representatives from Canadian Universities across Canada. Confirmed attendees for this year are as follows:

Acadia University	Simon Fraser University
Bishop's University	St. Francis Xavier University
Brock University	St. Thomas University
Cape Breton University	The King's University
Carleton University	Trinity Western University
Concordia University	University of Alberta
Dalhousie University	University of British Columbia
Guelph University	University of Calgary
McMaster University	University of King's College
Mount Allison University	University of Lethbridge
Mount Royal University	University of Ottawa
Mount Saint Vincent University	University of Victoria
Nipissing University	University of Waterloo
Queen's University	Western University
Royal Military College	York University
Saint Mary's University	

Graduation Photo Bookings for Grade 12s

Grade 12s, it's time for you book your graduation photo appointments. These photos will also be for the yearbook as well.

Calnen Studios will be at CPA on October 28, 29, and 30; November 2-6; and November 9 and 10 for student grad portraits. Please book your timeslot below and make sure to arrive on time.

If you plan to have graduation photos done by another photographer outside of school, it is recommended that you book early so that you can submit the picture to the yearbook. Book your appointment here.

To order school photos or graduation photos -> Charles P. Allen High School 26-27

Late for Class

As you are aware, we are very concerned with the number of students arriving to class late. We are focusing on the class after lunch to notify you, although there are students late for every block. CPA provides a free lunch for students in the cafeteria. If your student chooses to leave the property for lunch, they must make sure they provide enough time to return to class on time. Please speak to your student about the importance of being on time and not disturbing the learning of others.

Bus Dismissal

This is a reminder for all students to hop on their bus as soon as it arrives. The first round from the time the bell rings to departure is 7 minutes. After that it can be as little as 2 minutes. By waiting until the buses are leaving to run for your bus holds up all students who are ready to get on their bus. Up to this point, we have stopped buses while you run, this may not happen in the future. Please get on your bus as soon it arrives and opens its' doors. Everyone wants to get home or to work or to fun as soon as possible.

CPA Athletics

Basketball Tryouts – All are welcome
October 18 – 11:30am-1:30pm Boys Basketball Tryouts (Varsity and JV)
October 20 – 8:00-10:00pm Girls Basketball Tryouts (Varsity and JV)

You can find the schedule of games and practices on the Athletics Calendar.

Yearbook News

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.

Student Council News

Halloween Event Human Vs. Zombies
Student Council will host the student event, Human vs. Zombies on Thursday, October 29th from 6-9pm. There will be zombie tag and nerf blaster battle throughout the school. A bake sale and drinks will be for sale, so bring cash. Can't wait to see you there!

The consent forms for the event were due at the cheetah spot on 14th. Tickets will start selling on October 15th. You will need to bring your signed consent forms in order to purchase a ticket! Students must get their $5 tickets and sign waivers in advance by October 29th at the Cheetah Spot. There will be zombie tag and nerf blaster battle throughout the school. A bake sale and drinks will be for sale, so bring cash.
Can't wait to see you there!

Students, Is Your HFXGO Bus Pass Not Working?

When a student has done everything right and their pass still doesn't show, it's almost always one of three things, and each one is specific to the student:

- The student email was left off the list HRCE sent to Halifax Transit
- The student made their HFXGO account with a slightly incorrect email, a typo or a personal email instead of their gnspes one, or
- The student account is set up but the email didn't get associated properly with Halifax Transit, so the pass was never issued.

All three are fixable, if yours is not working, please email Ms. Lowe at lowea@hrce.ca and we will send the list to Halifax Transit to correct the issue.

Career Cafe

The Career Cafe will take place in the Cafeteria and Student Exchange Area on November 12th, 10am-2pm. Representatives from a variety of industries will be present to share information and networking opportunities with students so that CPA students can plan their career pathways with the most up-to-date labour market information.

Teachers will be sent a sign-up sheet to attend with their classes. Students are also welcome to attend during lunch and on their free periods.

This event is a sponsored by **Nova Scotia Works** and the **CPA Health & Human Services 12 class**.

Have a great week!

Stephanie Bird, Principal