

# Superintendent Monthly Newsletter

CPS Superintendent August Newsletter



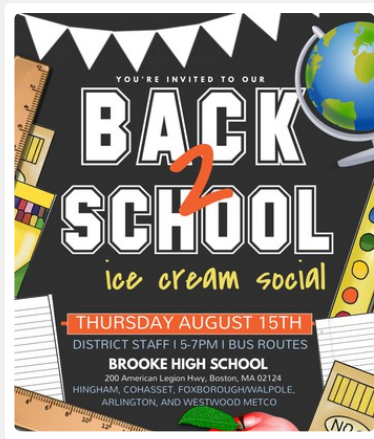
## Summer Happenings at CPS

Our Extended Year Program is moving to a successful conclusion, and the Cohasset Public Schools is busy preparing for a great year ahead. There are many exciting events happening throughout the District in August.



## Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Coffee (Community Room)

On August 13 from 6:00PM - 7:00PM come meet Superintendent, Dr. Sullivan and Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Scollins to hear some of their visions for the District and to engage in an open discussion regarding Cohasset Public Schools.



## Back to School Ice Cream Social for Staff and Boston Students (Brooke High School, Boston)

On August 15 from 5:00PM -7:00PM, District Leadership and Staff will be attending "Back 2 School Ice Cream Social" for Boston Students



## Leadership Meet-and-Greet: (Middle School and High School Learning Commons)

On August 21 from 6:00PM - 6:45PM in the Middle School & High School Learning Commons, come meet the District Leadership Team and hear about their goals for the year.

## More August Events



## Ninth Grade Orientation (Middle and High School Auditorium)

On August 21 from 12:00PM to 1:30PM (check-in is at 11:45 AM), all in-coming ninth grade students as well as new students to Cohasset High School are welcome to meet the team at CHS and to learn about the great opportunities and culture offered to our students.



## Sixth Grade Student Orientation (Middle and High School Auditorium)

On August 26, in-coming sixth grade students are invited to come meet the middle school team and to get oriented to the exciting middle school culture during the Sixth Grade Student Orientation. The event will take place from 8:45AM - 12:00PM. Students should meet in the Middle and High School Auditorium. All in-coming sixth grade students are welcome.



## Opening Day for Cohasset Educators (Middle and High School Auditorium)

On August 28 from 8:00AM - 9:45AM, district educators will gather for their welcome back meeting. The theme of the year is "Through the Eyes of the Student." The remainder of the day and August 29 will be spent as professional development, focusing mainly on navigating our new student information system, Aspen.



## Cohasset Public Schools set to implement Aspen Student Information System (SIP)

### What is Aspen?

The Cohasset Public School District is adopting Aspen, a secure, web-based Student Information System (SIS), which provides a variety of tools for students, parents, and staff. All of our data has been migrated from IPass to Aspen, and we are in the process of training all of our staff to successfully implement Aspen as our new SIS. The Aspen Portal provides students and families the ability to view student information including: attendance, homework assignments, grades, report cards and address and contact information.



### Aspen Access:

Students in grades 6-12 will receive an Aspen student account in the first weeks of school. A Family account will also eventually be provided for each parent/guardian, which allows parents/guardians to access information for all of their children through a single account. The features and information available in Aspen will be different depending on the student's school level.

### Schedules:

Over the next two weeks, schedules will be sent to students in grades 6-12 as part of the middle school and high school mailing packets. Elementary placement letters will be mailed out over the next couple of weeks in the elementary mailing packets. **Mailing packets at all levels will include Emergency Contact Forms. It is important that parents/guardians at all levels fill out these forms, as they will help generate Aspen family portal access.** We look forward to this SIS change, and we will provide family support regarding the use of Aspen, as we move into the school year.



## Safety and Security Focus this fall

Cohasset Public Schools is committed to ensuring that best practices are being implemented related to school safety structures (including protocols and communication) and to supporting the physical and social-emotional safety of students and of all members of the Cohasset School Community. We have several events and trainings planned this fall:

- Required training for all staff regarding Bullying Prevention, Sexual Harassment and Discrimination (Title VI), Special Education, Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Requirements and other important training...Both an on-line module and reinforcement through presentations and discussions during the opening days are required.
- A.L.I.C.E. Safety Training with the Cohasset Police (September 27) training for all staff
- Mandated Reporter Training for all staff from the Norfolk County Advocates for Children (October 27)
- Safety Drills for each school (at least three safety drills including "Shelter in Place" for each school)
- Cohasset Safe Schools Night brought to you by the Cohasset Safe Schools Committee will take place from 6:30PM to 8:00PM on October 15 in the Middle School and High School Auditorium. The evening will include a presentation by the Cohasset Police regarding A.L.I.C.E., a review of our Youth Risk Behavior Survey results and presentations regarding Building Safety, Inclusive Culture-Building Practices, Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) and Bullying Prevention practices at each school. All Cohasset parents / guardians are welcome. We hope to show a supervised movie for children in the gymnasium, so that more parents may attend the event.

# Cohasset Police Collaborating with Cohasset District Leadership on Safety and Security Plan



## Cohasset Public Schools Professional Development Calendar 2019 - 2020

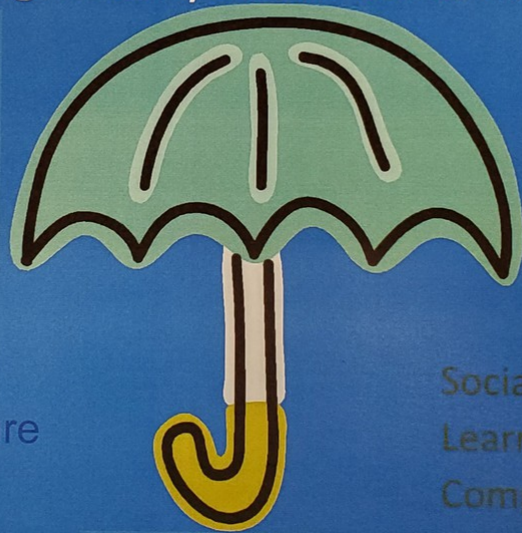


## Professional Development Focus 2019 - 2020 "Through the Eyes of a Student"



Digital Learning

Curriculum & Culture



Safety

Social-Emotional  
Learning: Cultural  
Competency



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### Into the Light Candlelight Vigil

August 27th from 6:45-7:45pm, Safe Harbor Cohasset Coalition will be teaming up with the Paul Pratt Memorial Library, for the 2nd annual 'Into the Light' Candlelight Vigil. That evening we will remember those who have been lost to addiction, provide hope to the loved ones left behind, and acknowledge the strength and perseverance of the many men and women still suffering.



We are excited for Cohasset's 250th Celebration. Stay tuned in the coming months for updates regarding how Cohasset Public Schools is taking a part in this important celebration!






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