

THE NAVIGATOR

September, 2019



Monthly Newsletter

This Newsletter is a monthly letter that will update on all matters connected to Cohasset Public Schools. This letter is sent as part of a District initiative focusing on communication, which includes similar letters from each school. There will also be opportunities monthly to meet with the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent during Superintendent Coffees.

Next Superintendent Coffee

Dr. Scollins (Assistant Superintendent) and I will be hosting our next **Superintendent Coffee on Thursday, September 12 from 6:00PM - 7:00PM in the Community Room adjacent the Cohasset Public Schools Central Offices**. These Coffees provide an opportunity for parents / guardians to meet with us to discuss issues of interest in an informal setting.



COHASSET PUBLIC SCHOOLS OFF TO A GREAT START!



High School #!
Let's Go!



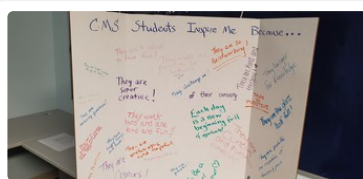
Principal Farrell
greet the Osgood
students



Positive Messages
outside of Deer
Hill!



We are "So Happy
to See the
students!"



Cohasset Middle
School Students
Inspire Us...



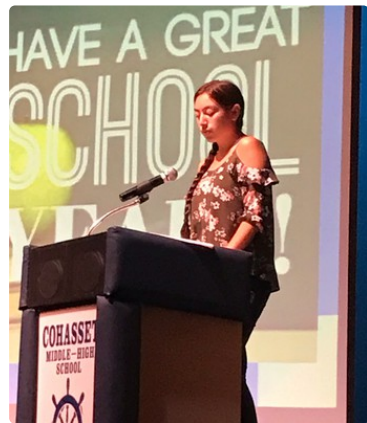
Principal Sullivan
and Staff Dancing
in the
Halls...Happy for
the Students'
Return!

It was wonderful to see the positive energy throughout the District, as our students started the year!

Cohasset Public Schools Convocation and Opening for Educators

The 2019 - 2020 School Year began with our opening day teacher trainings and professional development. Our theme this year is "Through the Eyes of a Student."

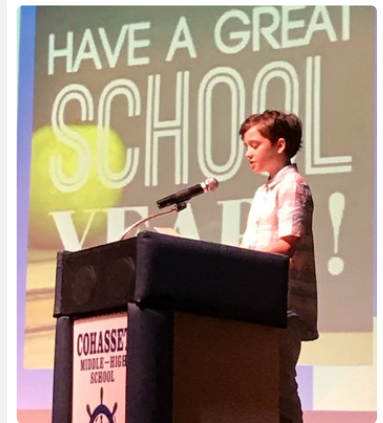
Our opening celebrated student voice and included student speakers and a choir performance of "A Million Dreams" from the Greatest Showman soundtrack, led by Visual and Performing Arts Director, Stephanie Moriarty and our tremendous music educators. Look for a sharing of this amazing performance in upcoming tweets and newsletters!



INSPIRING



CHARACTER



UNITY



GOALS



I HOPE...



#AWESOME



BACK TO SCHOOL



DEER HILL
ROCKS!



COHASSET HIGH
SCHOOL
STUDENTS ARE...



DELICIOUS MEALS
FROM FOOD
SERVICES



OSGOOD is Oh SO
GOOD!



COOKOUT FOR
SUMMER
EMPLOYEES

"A Student's Perspective"

This excellent video was created for opening day by rising senior Jason Conforti. A big thank you goes out to Jason for his fabulous work!

A Student's Perspective 2



COHASSET MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIDE



ASPEN TRAINING

All teachers who maintain gradebooks were provided with training by Aspen personnel during the teacher opening days.



NONA'S ICE CREAM WAS DELICIOUS

Teachers enjoyed an ice cream after the trainings as a small token of appreciation for all they do for the students!



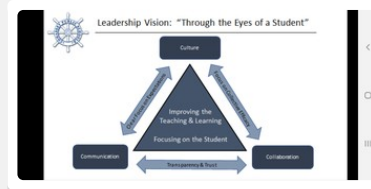
FANTASTIC BOSTON STUDENT SOCIAL

On August 15, District Leadership and Staff and some community members attended the "Back 2 School Ice Cream Social" for Boston Students...It was a fantastic event! So proud to work in a METCO community.

THEMES FOR THE YEAR



THROUGH THE EYES OF A STUDENT



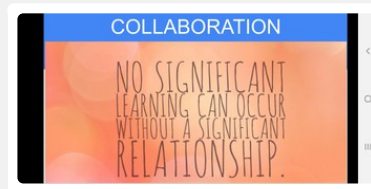
LEADERSHIP VISION



CULTURE



COMMUNICATION



COLLABORATION



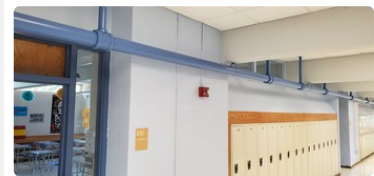
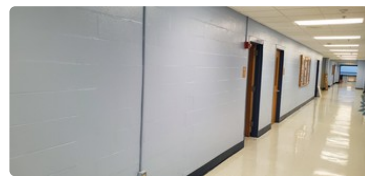
TRUST & TRANSPARENCY

Welcome to Our Amazing New Educators

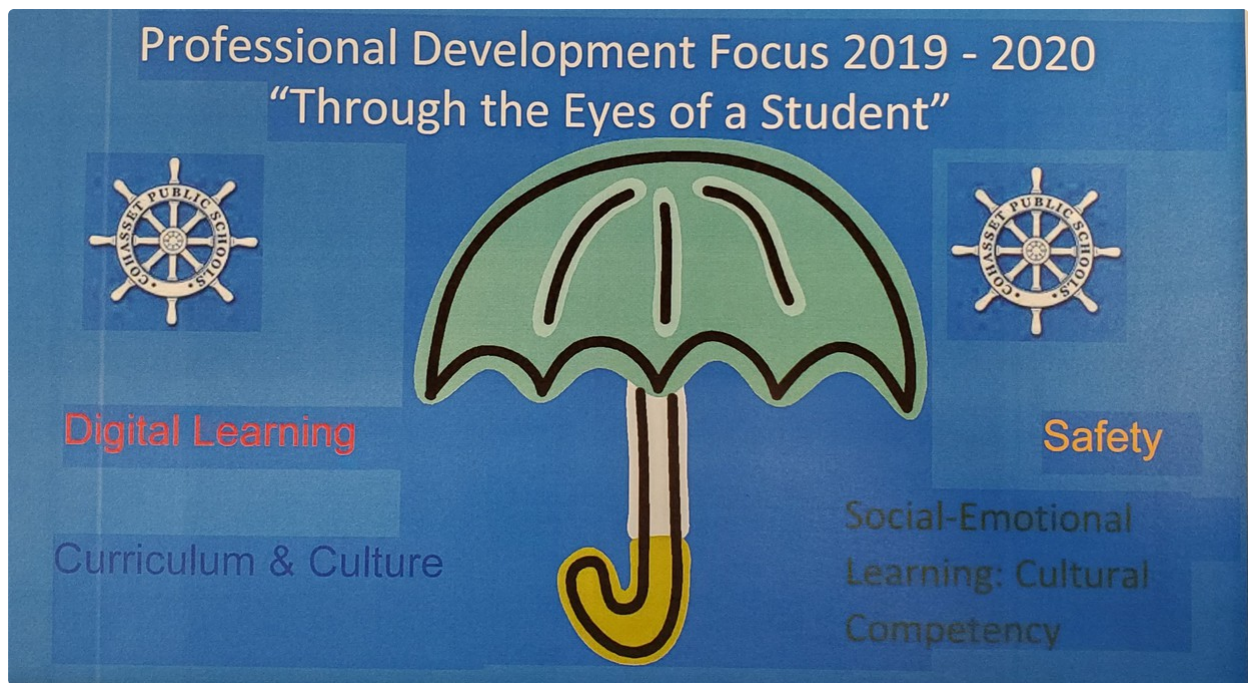


Welcome to our New Leaders

GREAT FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS



Cohasset Public Schools Professional Development Calendar 2019 - 2020



2nd Annual Candlelight Vigil

On August 27th, Safe Harbor hosted the 2nd annual 'Into the Light' Candlelight Vigil. The message remembered those who have been lost to addiction, provided hope to the loved ones left behind, and acknowledged the strength and perseverance of the many men and women still suffering.



START SCHOOLS LATER APPROVED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR 2020 - 2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Report to the Cohasset School Committee
July 11, 2019
Report of the
Cohasset Committee on School Start Times
Maura Sharry, M.Ed.
Chair, Cohasset Chapter Start School Later
Bruce S. Kristal, PhD
Associate Professor, Division of Sleep Medicine, Department of Medicine, Harvard Medical School
Chairman of Sleep and Circadian Disorders, Department of Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital

 School Start Time Co...

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At the August 21 Cohasset School Committee Meeting the School Committee voted unanimously to change the school day start and ending times for the 2020 – 2021 school year. **The school day start and ending times for this year (2019 - 2020) will remain the same as to what we are accustomed.**

This decision comes after a presentation by the *Start Schools Later Team* at a July School Committee meeting. This team presented regarding the importance of sleep for students of middle and high school age (presentation attached).

We realize that these changes in start and ending times will impact families. With that in mind, we will be hosting some Start Schools Later meetings to gain input on how to best facilitate the changes. Stay tuned for those dates.

Here is the proposed plan for the school day start and end times for the 2020 – 2021 school year. It should be noted that as we collaborate and hear more voice from stakeholders, the times may shift slightly.

2020 -2021

School	Total	Teacher Start Time	Student Start Time	Student End Time	Teacher End Time	Early Release
CHS	6 hours 40 minutes	8:25AM	8:25AM	3:05PM	3:05PM	12:40PM
CMS	6 hours 40 minutes	8:25AM	8:25AM	3:05PM	3:05PM	12:40PM
DHS	6 hours 30 minutes	7:45AM	7:45AM	2:05PM	2:15PM	11:55AM
JOS	6 hours 30 minutes	9:15AM	9:15AM	3:35PM	3:45PM	1:25PM

Aspen Information



Here is a reminder concerning our adoption of the Aspen Student Information System (SIP) and what you can expect in the coming weeks:

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 9-12 will receive an Aspen student account in the first weeks of school through their cohassetk12.org email. Information regarding middle school and elementary school Aspen access will be forthcoming. 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.

It is important that parents/guardians at all levels please fill out and return the Emergency Contact Forms (that were provided in the information packets mailed to you earlier this month, 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.



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!



HAVE A GREAT YEAR!






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