



July 22, 2019

Dear Parents and Students,

Enclosed you will find this year's summer mailer. Please carefully read ALL of the following information:

**FORMS** – Enclosed you will find forms that must be submitted **at or before the Tax Free Book Sale Day (Thursday, August 15)**. *Certain forms (noted below) are available electronically.* You can access these forms via PlusPortals after activating your account (activation information is included in this packet). **Students MAY NOT be permitted to attend classes until the ELECTRONIC AND PINK are completed and returned.** Students will not be permitted to participate in sports until the athletics forms (electronic) are submitted (fall sports begin August 5).

\*Please note, all students are required to submit a **physical examination** and **updated immunization record**. *Additionally, we have an important addition to our required forms for 2019-20: **STATE GUIDELINES REQUIRE ALL STUDENTS TO HAVE A VISION, HEARING, AND SPINAL SCREENING.*** If your child's pediatrician has already completed these screenings, please provide a copy of the results. If not, please schedule an appointment for these screenings. Results can be provided on the enclosed forms *or* in your pediatrician's standard format. *\*Please note, these screenings are not a standard part of a school/sports physical, so you may need to specifically request them when scheduling a physical/pediatrician's appointment.*

**ALL STUDENTS** must submit the following (*pink, yellow, electronic*) forms:

- Student Information Form and Photography Release Form (ELECTRONIC)** – Complete/update all pages, including insurance/emergency information. (*Note: Insurance will be kept on file, so you will not have to resubmit it for field trips throughout the year.*)
- Athletic Participation Form and Pledge (ELECTRONIC)**
- Medical History Form (yellow)**
- Physical Evaluation Form (yellow)** completed by a physician
- Hearing Screening (yellow)**
- Vision Screening (yellow)**
- Spinal Screening (yellow)**
- Updated Immunization Records (yellow sheet indicates State-required immunizations)**
- Sky Ranch and CSD Permission Forms (blue)** – required in order to attend the All-School Retreat

The following (*blue, green, purple*) forms are required only if applicable:

- TAPPS Agreement Form (ELECTRONIC)** – ALL 9<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> grade students (*coming soon from Athletic office*)
- Alternative Sports Registration (pink)** – for students pursuing athletic credits outside of Cambridge
- Permission to Leave Campus and Transcript Release Agreement (green)** – seniors only
- Car Registration (ELECTRONIC)** – student drivers only

Forms may be returned by mail or in person to:

The Cambridge School of Dallas  
ATTN: Barb Isbell  
3877 Walnut Hill Lane  
Dallas, TX 75229

**PORTALS** – Cambridge uses PlusPortals for parent and student access to class and school information (grades, homework assignments, school calendar, etc.). Instructions and activation information has been emailed to new families as well as those who have not yet activated an account; this information is also enclosed. Please activate your account as soon as possible. You must have an active account to complete online forms.

**SCHEDULE, ETC.** – In addition, the current packet is full of information pertaining to the 2019-20 academic year, including information your child has likely been eagerly anticipating (schedule and supply list). You will also find enclosed your child's 2019 ERB or PSAT 8/9 scores (returning middle school and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students), the most up-to-date version of the Important Dates Calendar, the bell schedule, traffic pattern, and information from Parent Fellowship.

**UNIFORMS** – See the uniform brochure (enclosed) for the address/phone/website for Academic Outfitters, Cambridge's uniform provider, as well as required uniform items for each grade. Note that the nylon jacket may not be worn during the school day except with express permission from the Head of School.

**HOT LUNCH** – Cambridge has changed Hot Lunch companies. Enclosed you will find information about setting up an account through [www.wholesomefoodservices.com](http://www.wholesomefoodservices.com), as well as details regarding the increased benefits they provide. Menu ordering will be available in early August; more information coming soon.

**TEXTBOOKS** – A list of your child's required textbooks, including ISBN's and cost, is also enclosed. **We request that you purchase these books from Cambridge**, as we have already purchased them at the **lowest rate available** (typically 25% below retail), and we provide them to you at **no markup over our cost**. You may purchase them on your own if you prefer. However, **certain books (marked "Cambridge" on the enclosed list) must be purchased from Cambridge.**

Finally, don't forget about the **Tax Free Book Sale (Thursday, August 15, 9:00am – 4:00pm** in the Student Hall). You will be able to purchase all of your child's textbooks tax-free on that day, and interact with faculty, administrators, PF officers, and student leaders. It's a fun day to gear up for the school year.

Have a wonderful summer, and see you in August! As always, if you have questions, don't hesitate to contact me.

Blessings,

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