Cambridge City Schools

We are looking forward to the 2026-2027 school year and are excited to welcome all of our students. We have outlined some district-wide FAQs below:

Things to Know	CPS *(8:05 – 2:15)* Kurt Ware, Principal Meghan Fondriest, Asst. Principal 1115 Clairmont Ave 740-439-7547		CIS *(7:50 – 2:00)* Michelle Johnston, Principal Nicole Earley, Asst. Principal 1451 Deer Path Drive 740-435-1180		CMS *(7:40 – 2:30)* Jennifer Lorenz, Principal April Massey, Asst. Principal 1400 Deer Path Drive 740-435-1140		CHS *(7:45 – 2:35)* Jeff Wheeler, Principal/AD Sean Byerly, Asst. Principal Matt Green, Asst. Principal 1401 Deer Path Drive 740-435-1100	
First Day of School	Kndg Girls: 8/17/26 Boys: 8/18/26 Girls & Boys: 8/19/26	Gr 1-2: Girls: 8/13/26 Boys: 8/14/26 Girls & Boys: 8/17/26	Gr 3: Thurs, 8/13/26	Gr 4-5: Fri, 8/14/26	Gr 6: Thurs, 8/13/26	Gr 7-8: Fri, 8/14/26	Gr 9: Thurs, 8/13/26	Gr 10-12: Fri, 8/14/26
Drop-Off Time & Location:	DROP OFF K, CC, & Family: 7:40 Rear of Bldg. 1st & 2nd: Side of Bldg. by the YMCA	PICK UP K, CC, & Family: Rear of Bldg. . 1st & 2nd: Side of Bldg. by the YMCA	Grades 3, 4, and 5: 7:20 - Center Doors		Parent drop-offs: Doors Open at 7:00 – 7:40 Bus students: Doors Open at 6:50 – 7:40 • All CMS students will enter through the side doors on the parking lot side of the building. • All students are to report to Homeroom by 7:40 a.m.		• Bus riders arrive at CHS & stay in the cafeteria until 1st period release at 7:30. • Parents drop-off at the athletic entrance *(rear of the building, near gym)* between 7:30-7:40. • Student drivers arrive between 7:35-7:40. • Any student arriving between 7:30-7:45 should go directly to their 1st period class. • 1st period starts at 7:45 a.m.	
	• Bus students will begin arriving at CPS at 7:25 a.m. • All students will go directly to their classrooms.		• Bus students will begin arriving at CIS at 7:20 a.m. • Students will report to their homeroom at 7:40 a.m.					
Breakfast & Lunch:	• FREE breakfast will be available for all CPS students. • FREE lunch available for all CPS students. • Income Verification Forms Must be completed by ALL families. These forms are not used to determine lunch/ breakfast eligibility at CPS, but are used for district grant funding documentation.		• FREE breakfast will be available for all CIS students. • FREE lunch available for all CIS students. • Income Verification Forms Must be completed by ALL families. These forms are not used to determine lunch/ breakfast eligibility at CIS, but are used for district grant funding documentation.		• FREE breakfast will be available for all CMS students. • FREE lunch available for all CMS students. • Income Verification Forms Must be completed by ALL families. These forms are not used to determine lunch/ breakfast eligibility at CMS, but are used for district grant funding documentation.		• FREE breakfast will be available for all CHS students. • FREE lunch available for all CHS students. • Income Verification Forms Must be completed by ALL families. These forms are not used to determine lunch/ breakfast eligibility at CHS, but are used for district grant funding documentation.	
Pick-Up Time & Location:	K, CC, Family: Rear Of the Building	Gr 1: Side of the building by the YMCA	Gr 2 Side of the building by the YMCA		• All parent pick-ups will occur at 2 p.m. • The CIS office must be notified prior to 1 p.m. for student pick-ups; otherwise the student will ride their assigned bus home. • Please wait in your car to pick up a CIS student. • Please park in a designated parking space in the front parking lot. • DO NOT park in the bus lane. • Early dismissal students MUST be signed out with the CIS office by an authorized Emergency Care Card contact prior to leaving the building.		• All parent pick-ups will occur at 2:30. • Students being picked up will exit through the parking lot side doors. • Parents are NOT to park in the front drive, which is for **buses only**. • Parents should wait for their students in the CMS parking lot or across the street by the track entrance. • Bus students will board buses as they arrive at CMS, beginning at 2:30.	• 7th period ends at 2:35 p.m. • Parents pick-up from the student lot at 2:35. • Early bus riders will be dismissed through the CHS front entrance at 2:35 • Remaining bus riders will be dismissed by announcement when the bus arrives at CHS. • Student drivers will be dismissed at 2:35 p.m.
	• Car pick-up tags are needed. • Tags will be handed out during Open House. • Please see the CPS Office staff if you haven't received a tag by the first day of school. • The CPS Office MUST be notified prior to 1 p.m. if there is a change in the student's dismissal plans.							

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Schedules & Class Lists:	● Classroom assignments will be posted on the front doors one week before school starts. ● Open House is Wednesday, August 12th from 12:00-2:00 and 5:00-7:00.	● Classroom assignments will be posted on the front doors one week before school starts. ● Open House is Wednesday, August 12th from 12:00-2:00 and 5:00-7:00.	● Available at Open House as well as distributed 1st day of school. ● Open House is Wednesday, August 12h from 12:00-2:00 and 5:00-7:00.	● SENIOR, JUNIOR, and SOPHOMORE schedules will be mailed to homes the week of July 27th. ● Students who have scheduling concerns can contact their school counselor after 8/1/26. ● FRESHMAN Orientation for Students & Parents is on Wednesday, 8/12 at 5:00 in the CHS cafeteria. Freshman schedules will be given at the conclusion of Freshman Orientation. ● Open House is Wednesday, 8/12. 12:00-2:00 and 5:00-7:00. ● 10th – 12th Grade students can also pick up their schedules during Open House.
Lockers:	N/A	N/A	Locker numbers and combinations will be given at Open House.	● Students will be using lockers this year. ● Backpacks can be used to and from school, but they should be stored in lockers during the day.
School Supplies:	● Supply lists are available on the CPS website. ● School supplies may be brought in during Open House.	● Supply lists are available on the CIS website. ● School supplies may be brought in during Open House.	● Bring unopened school supplies during the Open House or on the first day of school. ● Supply lists are available on the CMS web site ● Students may bring a water bottle to use at the water fill stations.	● Basic school supplies will be needed – pencils/pens/ highlighters, binder/notebook for each class. ● Any class-specific supplies needed will be discussed during the first week of class. ● Water bottles can be brought to school to be filled at the water bottle filling stations.
Bus Information: ***(740-439-4013)*** 1431 Wills Creek Valley Drive	● Bus stop & time information is posted on the district website. ● Students must ride their assigned bus unless arrangements have been made and documented with the Transportation Dept.	● Bus stop & time information is posted on the district website. ● Students must ride their assigned bus unless arrangements have been made and documented with the Transportation Dept.	● Bus stop & time information is posted on the district website. ● Students must ride their assigned bus unless arrangements have been made and documented with the Transportation Dept.	Bus stop & time information is posted on the district website.