



9th Grade Parent Survival Guide

Welcome to CEC!

*A comprehensive guide for incoming freshmen - featuring
frequently asked questions, compiled by your CEC Team.*

When does my child receive their *official* roster, and how?

Official rosters will be emailed to families by the third week of August.

What if I have questions about Academics once I receive the roster?

Once you receive your roster, should you have any questions, you can always email the Office of Academics: lburg@conwell-egan.org or call 215-945-6200, ext. 434. To look at course offerings, policies, and tracking information, please head to: conwell-egan.org/academic-course-guide.

What is the first day of school, and does my child wear their uniform?

The first day of school for freshmen to report is **Friday, September 11, 2026**. This day is for Freshmen ONLY, and a full uniform should be worn. Your student will receive their ID. They must be worn around their neck at all times during the school day.

Freshman Orientation will be held on this date. The school day begins at 7:30 AM and dismisses at 2:15 PM. Plan to arrive at school by 7:15 AM.

Freshmen report again on **Monday, September 14**, with the full student body. As of Friday, September 11, 2025, busing is available for all students whose district busses to CEC.

What is the procedure for car riders in the morning?

Enter the school campus by the top driveway closest to the Wawa. Proceed around the building, pulling up next to the soccer field. Your student will get out and walk into the school at the morning entrance. Students will NOT be permitted to enter the school at any other entrance, including the main entrance of the school. Please stay to the curb when dropping off students. For the safety of ALL involved, please do NOT double park or unload, as other vehicles may not be looking for students being dropped off from outside the drop-off lane.

When picking up after school, where do I go?

Enter the school campus by the top driveway closest to Wawa. Proceed to the side parking lot. Please be mindful of all the buses that will be on our campus and many coming from the Tech School across the street. Students may walk to your vehicle. Please caution them to be mindful of other moving vehicles and buses and EXIT via the DRIVEWAY THE FURTHEST FROM WAWA, so all traffic is flowing in the same direction for everyone's safety!

Where can I find information about Power School, the Student Handbook, Chromebooks, Medical forms, the cafeteria, etc.?

On our website, www.conwell-egan.org, look for the “**current students**” section to find links and resources. Students in our BRIDGE program will receive their assigned Chromebooks during the summer. All other students will receive their Chromebooks at Freshmen Orientation.

How do I know what is going on at CEC?

The most up to date CEC calendar is on the website. Here, we capture any updates and events going on in the school for that month, as well as any information that is helpful to parents. You can find it at www.conwell-egan.org/calendar. We also use all of our social media accounts for updated information (primarily Facebook and Instagram) under “Conwell-Egan Catholic High School.”

CEC also sends out a weekly e-newsletter, **Eagle Eye**, to keep you informed and up to date on the latest news/announcements at CEC.

How do I know how my child is doing in their classes?

Parents can follow their student's academic progress through **PowerSchool**. Directions for accessing your account will be emailed out by the first week of September. Teachers can also be emailed directly and each will address how and when it's best to contact them at “BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT,” on **September 17, 2026**. Parent-Teacher Conferences are also a great opportunity to check in with teachers regarding student performance. They will be held on **November 24** and **March 4**.

What if I need more uniforms during the school year?

Flynn and O'Hara is our uniform supplier, and they are online at www.flynnohara.com or feel free to visit their store located in Northeast Philadelphia.

10905 Dutton Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19154

How will I know if school is closed for snow or other emergencies?

CEC uses **PowerSchool** via email to notify parents/guardians of any emergency closures or delayed openings. CEC must be kept UPDATED on all contact information email/cell phone numbers for this reason. We will also post on our school website and social media accounts. If you change a phone number or email, contact the Office of Student Life to make that change at 215-945-6200 ext. 408 or 409.

What do I do if my child will be leaving early or arriving late?

If your child is leaving school early for an appointment, an early dismissal/ late arrival google form must be completed before 7:30 AM. Your student can pick up their early dismissal slip from the Office for Student Life before 7:30 AM on the day they are planning to leave early. [Early Dismissal/Late Arrival Form](#)

If your child will be arriving late for any reason, a signed late arrival form must be brought to the Office for Student Life upon returning to school.

Any early dismissal or late arrival due to a doctor's appointment or court appearance will be considered excused if verification is provided along with the early dismissal/late arrival form.

What do I do if my child will be absent from school?

All absences must be reported to the Office of Student Life. That can be done by using the attached google form [Absentee Form](#) or calling 215-945-6200, ext. 408 or 409. All absences must be called in by 7:30 AM. Extended absences must be called in to the Office of Student Life and further instructions will be provided. Absences can only be excused if your child comes back to school with a doctor's note.

How does my student go about making up work that was missed from an absence?

Your child is responsible for communicating with their teachers if they are absent. They must talk to their teachers about what was missed in each class, and will be responsible for discussing how to make up the work. **Schoology** is an assignment system that should be referred to as well.

What if my child is staying after school - is there an activities bus?

Students must sign up for a late bus in the Assistant Principal for Student Life Office before first period. Late buses arrive at 4:45 PM. for pick-up.

The following districts provide late buses: Bensalem, Bristol Township, Neshaminy, and Pennsbury. Your student MUST be signed up before 7:30 AM the day of the late bus to be allowed to ride it.

How will I find out the busing information for September?

Under the section [Current Students](#), your specific district's mode of communication on busing. For more questions or concerns regarding transportation, please contact your specific district.

How do I know what my child's summer Reading and Math assignments will be?

Summer Reading and Math assignments are posted in the "Academics" section of our website: [Summer Assignments](#)

Where can I find information about FACTS Tuition?

Tuition is paid through FACTS Grant & Aid. All of the information is on our website under "Affording CEC." For questions specifically regarding your account, contact our tuition officer, Ms. Sandra Stricker, at sstricker@conwell-egan.org

What if my child wants to join an activity?

We encourage you to get involved! There are a number of clubs, activities, and athletic teams that you can join.

For more information on clubs/activities, visit conwell-egan.org/student-life

For more information on Athletics, visit conwell-egan.org/athletics

If your child is interested in playing a sport, please note that a physical is required for all sports. The [physical form](#) is available in your admissions packet and under the "Athletics" section of our website along with the required registration through [Arbiter Sports](#). Your student cannot participate with an athletics team until they officially complete 8th grade.

What if my child feels sick during school?

If your student does not feel well, they can ask their teacher to make a pass to go to our school nurse. We have a full-time nurse on staff, and she is located on the 3rd floor. She has a phone in her office to communicate with home if needed.

What if my child has specific health concerns that I need to communicate with the school?

If your student has any health concerns or needs medicine during the school day, please reach out to our school nurse at cecnurse@conwell-egan.org

What health forms need to be completed before the start of school?

A current Immunization Record and a Bristol Township School District Health History Form #40 must be completed and emailed to the school nurse by September 1st. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY DELAY THE START DATE FOR THE STUDENT. The nurse's email is cecnurse@conwell-egan.org.

Does CEC have a school store?

Yes! CEC's School Store is located in the Main Lobby. Students can access the school store during their lunch periods or can order items for pick up through the CEC Store website: [CEC School Store](#)

What supplies do I need for the first day of school?

Teachers will hand out their respective syllabi on the first day with specific supplies needed for each of their classes. They will also post it on their respective **Schoology** accounts once your student has access after orientation. A general rule of thumb would be to have a few notebooks and folders ready for the first day. Students should also have their completed summer work and have their Chromebook if they received it during summer BRIDGE Camp.

Where and how does my incoming freshman purchase the lock for their lockers?

Students MUST purchase locks for their lockers from the **Office of Student Life**. These locks can be purchased at Summer Bridge Camp or Orientation. Student locker numbers will be indicated on their official rosters, and CEC student ambassadors assist with finding them at Orientation!

What is included in the cost of tuition?

Nearly everything needed is included in the cost of tuition. Student Chromebooks, after-school activities, sports, attending events, all school dances, and more are included. Chromebook insurance, locks for lockers, and proms are a few of the items not included.

What is the Induction BBQ, and when is it?

CEC will host its annual **Welcome Induction Service and Barbecue** for the families of our incoming freshman students on **Wednesday, September 2, 2026**, starting at 5:30 PM.

What is the SCRIP Program?

You can purchase gift cards through the CEC Scrip Program for various stores and restaurants to earn a 4% tuition credit. This credit can be used to pay your child's tuition account.

Please Make Checks Payable To "CEC". All Sales Are Final. Final Orders Must Be Placed By December 10 To Be Received in Time For Christmas.

Parents of incoming freshmen are encouraged to participate in the Scrip Program. Participation can be done up to one year before the freshman year and can be used toward the tuition account.