

Nichols Information

Questions that families frequently ask us:

<p>I have questions about my schedule. Who do I talk to about that?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any schedule-based questions should be directed to your House Counselor, Jen Bickle-Hayes, at conferences or during what we call add/drop at the beginning of the school year.
<p>What happens on my first day?</p> <p>Note: This is a half-day of school! Students will be dismissed at 12:30.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only 9th graders will be in the building on the 27th. You'll be going through an orientation with upper class students where you will do activities, tour the building, and meet your teachers and fellow classmates. Students only need to bring themselves. We will not be having regular classes and lunch will be provided by CVU. The purpose is to welcome you to the school and help you begin to feel like a part of our CVU community!
<p>What do I need for my classes and what should I bring on the first day of classes (8/28)?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English: a 2-inch binder, binder dividers, loose leaf paper, and writing utensils (preferably pens) Social Studies: a binder, notebook, and writing utensils Science: a binder with dividers, writing utensils Math 1 & Math 2: a binder with dividers, pencils, some loose leaf paper, and 4-function calculator (optional) Personal Health: a folder and writing utensils All Classes: Nichols students will be given a planner at the beginning of the school year. <p>Please reach out to your student's Core teachers if families need help purchasing these supplies. We have some supplies available for students if needed!</p>
<p>What is the cell phone policy at CVU?</p>	<p>CVU has adopted a bell to bell phone free policy for the upcoming school year.</p>
<p>I've heard it's important to get involved. How can I learn about joining a sport or a club?</p>	<p>C3 is a 25 minute block during the day for students to receive academic support, join a community group, or participate in a club. There will be a Club Fair in September at which students can learn about the different clubs at CVU. Students will receive support with signing up for their C3 activities during Advisory. Students can explore the many different clubs to discover which are most interesting to them. Check out the list on page 10 of the Student Handbook.</p>

<p>Who do I contact with a question?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Attendance: Contact the Nichols administrative assistant Alisa Craft (acraft@cvsdvt.org or 802-482-7160). ● Scheduling Concerns: Contact the Nichols counselor Jen Bickel-Hayes (jbickelhayes@cvsdvt.org) ● Nichols News: We have a website with important information about our Core. We also send out a weekly newsletter called “Nichols News” that is also available on our website: https://sites.google.com/cvsdvt.org/nicholscore/home ● Academic Concerns: If you have any academic concerns you can contact the teacher directly: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Humanities: jeobrien@cvsdvt.org OR gmaccurtain@cvsdvt.org ○ Math 1 or Math 2: mpogact@cvsdvt.org ○ Science: sparker@cvsdvt.org ○ Wellness: kdavis@cvsdvt.org ○ Special Ed: rbillings@cvsdvt.org
<p>What’s our Core field trip?</p>	<p>Mt. Philo on Friday, September 19th</p> <p>This is a community building field-trip where students will be engaged in different types of activities which focus on group work, communication and collaboration.</p>
<p>What is homework like in Nichols?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● English: Students are asked to read 2 hours each week outside of class. Students are also scheduled writing assignments that they have multiple days to complete. ● Social Studies: Students are typically assigned 20-30 minutes of homework on week nights. ● Science: Students will have an assignment at least once a week to review or prepare new material for class ● Math 1 & Math 2: Students will have a short problem set at least once a week for practice or as an informal check in. ● Personal Health: Students may be asked to finish up classwork at home to prepare for the next class. ● All Classes: Outside of the occasional larger project, we typically don’t assign homework on weekends. Using your planner and planning your time wisely will be important this year!