



# CENTRAL BROOKLYN ASCEND LOWER SCHOOL

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## PARENT REMINDERS

October 11, 2021

Dear Central Brooklyn Ascend Lower School Families,

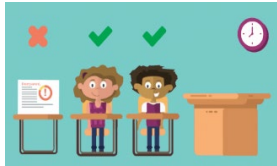


We hope you are all well! We are already entering our 9<sup>th</sup> week of school and well into the Fall Season! Here is a great list of [30 Fall Activities you can do with kids in NYC](#). Please review the following information and reminders for the upcoming week(s).

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| <p><b>UPDATES</b></p> <p><b>COVID-19 PROTOCOL</b></p>  | <p>Please review <b>Ascend’s Adult Vaccination Policy</b> <a href="#">HERE</a> - posted on our website.</p> <p><b>New Covid-19 Testing Vendor</b> - We will be transitioning to a new vendor this month to enable us to test staff and scholars with PCR grade SalivaClear Testing, rather than our current Rapid Nasal Swab tests. Please review the <a href="#">LETTER</a> regarding this change. Here are a few brief points regarding this transition:</p> <p>View the Mirimus Lab <a href="#">SalivaClear Testing - Video HERE</a>. Please complete the forms being sent home this week to register your scholar by <b>Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup></b>.</p> <p>Reminder, you can find nearby Covid-19 testing sites by texting to <b>85548</b>.</p> |
| <p><b>SCHOOL MEALS</b></p>                            | <p>The <a href="#">OCTOBER Breakfast-Lunch-Snack Menu</a> is posted on our website.</p> <p>Please note we are a nut free school - <u>do not send any items with nuts to school with your scholar.</u></p> <p>Breakfast/lunch from home must be with scholars at arrival, the main office does not accept/deliver breakfast and lunch to classrooms and scholars.</p>  |
| <p><b>P-EBT FOOD BENEFITS UPDATE</b></p> <p>Many families have reached out regarding the Pandemic-EBT Food Benefits for our school.</p>  | <p>Distribution of the food benefit will continue for several months, due to the large number of eligible children and schools participating in the National School Lunch Program across the state.</p> <p>If your child(ren) is eligible and has not received P-EBT benefit by <b>November 2021</b>, you may fill out the <a href="#">P-EBT Information Form</a>.</p> <p><i>If you have misplaced a P-EBT Food Benefit card issued to your child(ren), you may order a replacement card by calling 1-888-328-6399.</i></p>   |
| <p><b>MASKS</b></p>                                   | <p>There has been an uptick in scholars arriving to school without their masks. Ensure your scholar arrives with a mask to the building. While we have an additional supply of masks, scholars should have their own mask at arrival.</p>   |

You can view past Parent Reminder Memos on our website: [www.cbls.ascendlearning.org](http://www.cbls.ascendlearning.org)

## ABSENT CALL PROCEDURE

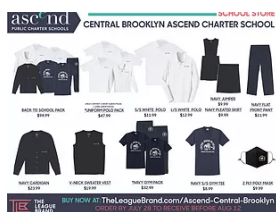


Scholars are marked ABSENT if they are not physically PRESENT in the building or virtually (in the case of whole class/school remote learning).

ABSENT CALLS from our automated system are placed regardless of reason, the system alert is based on attendance on that day. This is the same for students who may be learning remotely as a result of quarantine. If your scholar is not present during morning meeting beginning at 8am, they may be recorded as absent. **Please alert the main office if you believe you have received an absent call in error.**

Your scholar will be marked absent with a code/note stating it is an excused or unexcused absence. Typically, examples of *excused absence* are scholars who must quarantine, are sent home by the school, have legal mandated visits with a parent, are sick (Dr's note must be provided).

## UNIFORMS





Student uniforms are an important aspect of our school culture. They support a culture of belonging and community. Uniforms help create balance in the school and allow students to focus on what is most important - their learning.

Faculty or staff check uniforms upon student arrival to school. They inform families if students arrive to school out of uniform. CBACS school sweaters with the Ascend Logo must be worn, shirts must be tucked-in, shoelaces must be tied. If lower school students cannot tie their shoes, please focus on developing this skill at home. Label all clothing with your child's name, especially items that might be removed during the day. Labels ensure that lost items are returned to their owners.

## UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS



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| <p><b>Wed. October 13<sup>th</sup></b><br/><b>Thurs. October 14<sup>th</sup></b></p>  | <p><b>Grades 2, 3, 4 - Math Benchmark Assessments</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Week of October 18<sup>th</sup></b></p>                    | <p><b>Breast Cancer Awareness Week</b><br/><b>Mammography Clinic on Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 10-3pm</b> Sponsored by <i>State Senator Kevin S. Parker in partnership with NYU Langone Health, Mount Sinai &amp; Flatbush Gardens Tenant Association</i> - <a href="#">See flyer here</a></p> |
| <p><b>Fri. October 22<sup>nd</sup></b></p>  | <p><b>NO STUDENTS</b><br/>Professional Development Day</p>  |
| <p><b>Week of October 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup></b></p>  | <p><b>MOBILE DENTIST VISIT!</b><br/>Please complete the <a href="#">ONLINE FORM</a> or the paper forms sent home last week.</p>   |
| <p><b>Fri. October 29<sup>th</sup></b></p>  | <p><b>Book Character Day</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Tues. November 2<sup>nd</sup></b></p>   | <p><b>No School</b> - Election Day</p>  |
| <p><b>Thurs. November 4<sup>th</sup></b><br/><b>Friday. November 5<sup>th</sup></b></p>   | <p><b>Progress Report Conferences (1:00pm dismissal)</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Mon. November 11<sup>th</sup></b></p>   | <p><b>No School</b> - Veterans Day</p>  |



### The Lost & Found

is located in the MPR level (basement) before entering the cafeteria. Please ensure your scholar's sweater has their name on it, as well as lunch bags, water bottles, etc. Check the Lost & Found area for lost items; the main office cannot locate lost clothing and items.

