

MIDDLE SCHOOL SECONDAIRE PROGRAMME FOR THE FIRST DAYS 2025 - 2026

Wednesday 20th August	<p>Orientation Day for families NEW to CDL from 8:00 am to 2:45 pm</p> <p>The day begins with a welcome at the Cervin entrance at 8:00 am, followed by the programme starting at 8:30 am, including time with Homeroom Advisors, teambuilding activities and lunch at Concha Garden, as well as placement tests and parents sessions.</p> <p>Level 6 Welcome Morning for New and Returning F6, Grade 6, BIL 6 families</p> <p>In Eiger Auditorium from 9:45 to 11:15 am: get to know your Homeroom Advisors and Principals, who will support your smooth transition from Level 5 to Level 6.</p> <p>To alleviate the problem of parking, we encourage families to park in the "La Bécassière" parking lot (Centre Sportif de Versoix). Parking is free for the first 3 hours for cars that register at the pay station. Additional hours may be added. A shuttle bus will run between the parking lot and the school from 7:45 am to 4:00 pm.</p>						
Monday 25th August	<p>First day of school for all students in Middle School Secondaire</p> <p>The starting time for the different grades has been staggered to allow each year group to be welcomed in turn. Students should come to the Eiger building for meetings scheduled as follows, aiming to arrive at least 10 minutes before the scheduled time:</p> <table data-bbox="651 1016 1251 1209"> <tr> <td>8:20 - 8:40 am</td><td>Level 6</td></tr> <tr> <td>8:40 - 9:00 am</td><td>Level 7</td></tr> <tr> <td>9:00 - 9:20 am</td><td>Grade 8/4e</td></tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be welcomed by the Middle School Secondaire leadership team and will then meet with their homeroom advisors, who will take them to class for their first Homeroom session. Parents may accompany their children as far as the Eiger entrance, but we ask that goodbyes are said outside the building. For the first day, students are encouraged to arrive with basic stationery (notebook, pen, etc.). Specific details about school supplies needed will be given out by each subject teacher. Normal classes from 12:40 pm to 3:40 pm (exceptionally, to allow for students taking the school bus to find the correct location of the bus). School bus starts in the afternoon at 4:00 pm. Please contact the transport department if you have not received confirmation of registration before the start of school: bus.cdl@alsa.com or 022 775 55 83. <p>For students taking the school bus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buses will be in place (in front of and behind the Olympus building) to take students home after school. Lists of names of students taking each bus will be posted. As of the second day (Tuesday), students will start school at 8:20 am and finish school at 3:50 pm, joining their bus at this time. 	8:20 - 8:40 am	Level 6	8:40 - 9:00 am	Level 7	9:00 - 9:20 am	Grade 8/4e
8:20 - 8:40 am	Level 6						
8:40 - 9:00 am	Level 7						
9:00 - 9:20 am	Grade 8/4e						
Tuesday 26th August	<p>Normal school day. Classes will begin at 8:20 am and finish according to the usual timetable at 3:50 pm</p>						

The daily schedule is given below for your information.

Period 1	8:20 - 9:00 am
Period 2	9:05 - 9:45 am
Pause	9:45 - 10:00 am
Period 3	10:05 - 10:45 am
Period 4	10:50 - 11:30 am
Lunch	11:35 - 12:35 pm
Period 5 for Gr 8/4e (one day a week)	11:55 - 12:35 pm
Homeroom (one day a week)	12:15 - 12:35 pm
Period 7	12:40 - 1:20 pm
Period 8	1:25 - 2:05 pm
Pause	2:05 - 2:20 pm
Period 9	2:25 - 3:05 pm
Period 10	3:10 - 3:50 pm

Important:

School Books, Sports Kit, Locker Keys, Student ID Cards

Please note that we encourage new day students to collect these items on Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st August and returning day students to collect them on Friday 22nd August in the Olympus building (see schedule below). Mandatory school textbooks are included in the tuition fee and can be picked up in Olympus, but sports kit (required for all PE lessons) will be invoiced directly to the student's account. This will also be the opportunity for students to collect their student ID card (in Olympus) and locker key (available in the Mont Blanc Building). Day students are strongly encouraged to collect these items ahead of the first day of school to enable them to start the year smoothly.

Note to our boarding families: these will be prepared for our boarding students and House Parents will guide them. Books and student ID cards will be delivered to their room. Please note that IT materials must be picked up in Olympus building.

iPads

- For Levels 7 and Grade 8/4e NEW Day students: Two IT desks will be available in Olympus building (following the distribution schedule outlined below) where students will be able to collect their iPads.
- For Levels 7 and Grade 8/4e NEW Boarding students: The iPads will be prepared, and House parents will guide them.
- For all Level 6 students - NEW, returning, Day and Boarding students: The iPads will be distributed mid-September, after the information session held on Tuesday, 9th September 2025 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm.

Homeroom Parent Presentations and WELCOME BACK Barbecue

An opportunity to meet your child's teachers will be on Tuesday 23rd September 2025 - exact timing to be confirmed.

"A Good Start in MSS: A conversation for Level 6 Families" - on Thursday 7th October - MB 211 classroom from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm.



Olympus Distribution Schedule

Wednesday 20 th August (New students)	Thursday 21 st August (New students)	Friday 22 nd August (Returning students)	Sunday 24 th August (Returning students)	Monday 25 th August (Returning students)
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	8:00 am – 4:00 pm