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Introduction

This document provides families and staff with all the information needed for back-to-school: On what date do students return to class? When are the back-to-school meetings scheduled? How do I register my child for the school cafeteria? For after-school activities? For school transportation?

A lot of information is available on the school's website, which has a section dedicated to back-to-school. Feel free to refer to it!

Important: Thursday, August 27, 2026 — Welcome for New Families

Dear new parents,

Your child will start their first day at Lycée Claudel on Tuesday, September 1, 2026.

To help prepare for this moment, we are pleased to invite you and your child to a welcome meeting on Thursday, August 27, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The program includes: a presentation of the school, a tour of the facilities, and a chance to meet members of the Lycée Claudel team, who will be happy to answer all your questions.

We hope to see many of you there!

Back-to-School Organization for Students

Maternelle

Tuesday, September 1

10:00 a.m. / 11:30 a.m.	PS	10:00 a.m.: Welcome for Petite Section children with their parents. At 11:30 a.m., parents leave with their children. Their first regular day of class will be Wednesday, September 2.
10:00 a.m. / 11:30 a.m.	MS	10:00 a.m.: Welcome for Moyenne Section children with their parents. At 11:30 a.m., parents leave with their children. Their first regular day of class will be Wednesday, September 2.
8:30 a.m. / 3:20 p.m.	GS	8:30 a.m.: Welcome for Grande Section children and their parents. At 9:30 a.m., parents leave, but children stay (1st day of school).

Wednesday, September 2

Normal hours for everyone: 8:30 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Maternelle child care and school transportation begin.

Elementary School

Tuesday, September 1

8:30 a.m. / 8:45 a.m.	CP-CE1 (Grade 1 and 2)	Students will gather in the elementary school yard, or in the small gymnasium in case of rain. New students can go to the dedicated booth staffed by the English team in the school yard. The school day will end at 3:30 p.m.
9:00 a.m. / 9:15 a.m.	CE2-CM1 (Grade 3 and 4)	
9:30 a.m. / 9:45 a.m.	CM2 (Grade 5)	

Before/after-school care begins at 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. (registration on COBA). School transportation begins September 1 for all elementary students.

Secondary School

For organizational and security reasons, we ask parents not to accompany their children inside the building. Students will gather in the secondary school yard or in the auditorium in case of rain in front of the sign for their class, where homeroom teachers will be waiting for them.

- 12:30 p.m.: 6ème classes begin according to the regular schedule
- 1:30 p.m.: 5ème through Terminale classes begin according to the regular schedule.

Supervised study begins (3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.).

Date	Time	Grades
Tuesday, September 1	9:00 a.m.	6ème
	9:30 a.m.	2 ^{nde} and 3 ^{ème}
	10:00 a.m.	4 ^{ème} and 5 ^{ème}
	11:00 a.m.	1 ^{ère} and Terminale

Back-to-School Meetings for Parents

Elementary School

Group	Date	Time	Location
New families — School presentation and tour	08/27	1:30 p.m.	Auditorium
Parents of PS students	09/04	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of MS students	09/04	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of GS students	09/08	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of CP students	09/08	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of CE1 students	09/09	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of CE2 students	09/09	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of CM1 students	09/10	4:00 p.m.	In classroom
Parents of CM2 students	09/10	4:00 p.m.	In classroom

Secondary School

Group	Date	Time	Location
New families — School presentation and tour	08/27	1:30 p.m.	Auditorium
Parent-teacher meetings will take place the weeks of 09/14 to 09/16 and then 09/21 to 09/23. The detailed schedule will be sent to families during back-to-school week.			

Additional Services

Individual and Class Photos

Level	Date
Preschool (Maternelle)	Wednesday, October 7, 2026 (auditorium)
Elementary School	Tuesday, October 6, 2026 (auditorium)
Secondary School	Monday, October 5, 2026 (auditorium)

Note: dates for cap-and-gown photos for Terminale students will be announced later. Sibling and retake photos will also be announced later.

ID Cards

Cards for preschool parents: ID cards will be handed out to parents by teachers during the week of September 8, 2026.

Textbooks and Other School Supplies

See also: www.claudel.org/services-aux-familles/manuels-et-fournitures/

Cufay Bookstore

Orders for supplies and textbooks placed before July 12, 2026 will be delivered directly to families' homes before the start of school. After this date, orders will incur a \$51 surcharge for air freight and will still be delivered to the home. Delivery before the first day of school is not guaranteed, however.

For questions, write to: assistante.communication@claudel.org

English Textbooks

English textbooks will be given to students at the start of the school year.

PE (Sports) Uniform

Every student from Petite Section to Terminale receives a PE (sports) T-shirt, which must be ordered by families. Additional units may be ordered at any time via the Price & Buckland platform.

Students from CP to Terminale wear a specific outfit for sports activities: a Lycée Claudel T-shirt, black sports shorts or pants (to be purchased at a store of your choice), and shoes reserved for sports use, indoors and/or outdoors.

Access to the gymnasiums is only permitted with clean sports shoes reserved solely for that purpose.

School Cafeteria

Lycée Claudel works with the company Aramark. Discover [the meal plans](#) on the school's website, as well as the menu.

Meal plans can be purchased online via the link on our website, but the provider is currently experiencing a website issue; we will let you know as soon as it is available again.

Families may also come to Lycée Claudel on Thursday, August 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the school cafeteria to purchase meal plans in person, if they prefer this option or wish to ask the new provider any questions.

After-School Activities

Detailed schedules and full descriptions of each activity will also be available on COBA starting July 21, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.

We invite you to meet the activity leaders on Thursday, September 3, 2026, between 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., at the back-to-school barbecue.

Registration will open online on COBA on Tuesday, September 1 at 8:00 p.m., until Thursday, September 10 at 11:59 p.m.

Activities are officially scheduled to begin on Monday, September 14, 2026.

After-school activities and day camp contact: periscolaire@claudel.org — 613 733-8522 ext. 614

School Transportation

Discover the 3 bus routes dedicated to Lycée Claudel:

- North Route, departing from Hull Hospital (Gatineau)
- East Route, departing from Place d'Orléans
- West Route, departing from Kanata Centrum

School transportation is operational from the first day of class (Tuesday, September 1, 2026), except for preschool students (starting Wednesday, September 2, 2026). All information (routes and schedules) will be available Friday, August 17 on the school's website. Reservations open on COBA starting Wednesday, August 17, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.

Please note: secondary school students may finish at 4:30 p.m. on certain days of the week and will therefore not be able to use school transportation on those days.

Contact for 2026–2027 school transportation registration: transport@claudel.org

Before/After-School Care (Elementary) and Supervised Study (College)

Before/after-school care and supervised study are available from the first day of class for elementary and middle school students, as well as Grande Section (preschool) students.

Before/after-school care for Petite Section and Moyenne Section begins on September 2.

Online registration will open on August 17, 2026 at 8:00 p.m., via the COBA platform.

Schedules and Calendar

Class Schedules

Student drop-off starts at 7:30 a.m., in the hallway and at 8 a.m. in the school yard if weather permits.

Level	Schedule
Maternelle)	8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Elementary School	8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Secondary School	8:20 a.m. to 3:20 p.m., 4:30 p.m., or 5:30 p.m. depending on grade level and schedule

School Calendar

The school calendar is available on [the Lycée Claudel website](#).

Important Practical Information

Locks (Secondary Students)

Please plan to purchase 2 locks (1 for the school locker and 1 for the locker room in the gymnasiums), sturdy and secure. Combination locks are recommended.

Lockers will be assigned by the Student Life Office at the start of the school year.

School Bags

Rolling backpacks are not allowed on school premises, as they are not suited to the building's layout (many staircases) and are often too large for students' lockers. Special exceptions may be granted only in exceptional cases.

Your School Contacts

[The updated contact list is available on the school's website](#). Feel free to consult it to find out who to contact and how.

Summer Office Hours (Summer)

Open until July 17, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed from July 20 to August 14, inclusive.

Reopening from August 17 to 31, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Regular hours resume from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at back-to-school, on Tuesday, September 1.

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