

THE CAMBRIDGE RINDGE AND LATIN SCHOOL

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Damon Smith, *Principal*

August 14, 2015

Dear CRLS 9th Grade Students and Families,

I hope you are having an enjoyable summer break. As the new school year approaches, I am writing to inform you of two opportunities designed to support students in their travel to and from CRLS. Please review the following announcements:

September T Passes Available for Purchase

MBTA Student Passes for the month of September can be purchased in the CRLS Main Office starting September 1st, one week prior to the start of the school year. September MBTA passes will be available for purchase from September 1st - 14th. The cost for a monthly pass is \$26. Please visit the CRLS Main Office located on the first floor of the Rindge Building between the hours of 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM to purchase a monthly pass for the month of September.

9th Graders- Navigate Cambridge By Bike So You Can Ride to CRLS

CRLS is teaming up with the City of Cambridge to help **9th graders** learn the basics of safe and fun bicycle riding in Cambridge. We're offering a **two-day lesson**, on **August 31st & September 2nd**, to teach "on-bike skills" to incoming 9th grade students at CRLS. Students who participate on both days will learn:

- Rules and Responsibilities of the road.
- How to adjust your bike and helmet to fit properly.
- Basic maintenance to keep your riding safe and smooth.
- Steer out of trouble.
- Start and stop efficiently, especially in traffic and at red lights.
- Ride safely and legally in roadway traffic.
- Become a pro at shifting gears.

At the end of the course, students will receive a certificate of completion, a free bike helmet, and bike lights.

Cost: Free for **CRLS 9th Grade** students

When? August 31st **AND** September 2nd (attendance is required for both days to complete the course).

Where? The sessions will start at the Tennis Courts at CRLS.

What times? 9am- 10:30am, 11am- 12:30pm, and 1:00- 2:30pm each day.

How do I sign up? Sign up for the course by contacting Jennifer Lawrence at the City of Cambridge Community Development Department at jlawrence@cambridgema.gov and (617)349-4671.

What should I bring and wear? Bring your bike (in good working condition), your helmet (if you have one), water bottle, closed-toe shoes (no flip-flops).

Who's the Instructor? Galen Mook is an experienced League Cycling Instructor who has taught bicycling skills to students aged 5 to 65+. Galen works as Landry's Marketing & Advocacy associate, and he's an all-season bike commuter.

Please contact the school at (617) 349-6630 if you have questions regarding either program -

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Smith".

Damon Smith