

August 2, 2019

Dear Parents and Students:

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. We have been working hard to make certain the coming year is a great one. The first day of classes for grades 9–12 is Monday, August 26. Students are asked to bring their class schedule and report to their period 1 class before 8:00 a.m.

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 21, at WHS.

## \* Open House (5:00 pm - 7:00 pm):

This is your chance to walk around the high school, and locate your classrooms. Everyone is invited to stop by, meet with teachers or administrators, tour the building, or simply say "HI".

## \* Freshmen Orientation Schedule:

3:30 - 3:45 = WELCOME - Auditorium (all 9<sup>th</sup> graders)

3:45 - 4:00 = Release from Auditorium to Advisory

4:06 - 4:11 = Period 1

4:17 - 4:22 = Period 2

4:28 - 4:33 = Period 3

4:39 - 4:44 = Period 4

4:50 - 4:55 = Period 5

4:55 - 5:15 = Treats will be served in the Cafeteria

5:00 - 5:30 = Freshmen parent meeting (9<sup>th</sup> grade parents only)

There will be a presentation by the administration, and others in the Auditorium.

We hope the 2019-2020 school year is an exciting, happy and productive one for you. The coming year promises to be an important one as we continue our journey towards being one of the top high schools in all of Minnesota.

Sincerely,

Mark Fredericksen WHS Principal

## 9th Grade Orientation

Parents and in-coming 9th graders,

Ready or not, it's time to talk about the start of school. Specifically, it's time to talk about 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation and the move to high school. On Wednesday, August 21, we will hold our 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation from 3:30 to 5:00. Students will get a brief introduction to the high school, with the majority of the time spent following their schedule. This will give them a chance to meet their instructors, move through the building, and go through the lunch line. In addition, students can locate and practice getting into their lockers (the best time to do this would be either before or after the actual orientation).

## **FAQ**

**Is the orientation required?** The orientation is not required, but we've found that the incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders feel more comfortable approaching the first day of school when they know the location of their classes and lockers.

Where do students go when they arrive on the 21st? Students should report to the Commons area by 3:25. If students arrive earlier they can locate their lockers and practice using their combinations (the combinations are found on their schedule).

What if my child can't attend or we're out of town? The first day of school is Monday, August 26 with teachers and staff available to help with any issues. In addition, the high school building will be open all week (August 19 – 23) if students want to come in and locate their lockers, etc.

**Is there a parent meeting scheduled?** Yes, we will have a meeting for parents of 9<sup>th</sup> graders on the same day as the orientation, Wednesday, August 21. We'll meet at 5:00 in the Auditorium and plan to be done at about the same time as the students are finishing their orientation so you can take them home

**What if we have questions?** If you, or your student, have questions you can call our office at 952-442-0670 or email us at: <a href="mailto:mfredericksen@isd110.org">mfredericksen@isd110.org</a> or dbreyer@isd110.org