

Parent(s)/Guardian & Pioneer Student(s):

Welcome to August! I hope this letter finds you and your family enjoying time together this summer. It is not time for school yet, but it is time to start looking ahead to that day. The first day of school is Thursday, August 15th. Please know it will be an 11:30 am dismissal for the Junior-Senior High School.

Your class schedule should be available to you on your PowerSchool account beginning August 1st. If your schedule has any class periods without a scheduled class, you need to schedule a time with Mrs. Hernandez (Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12) or Mrs. Fischer (Grades 7 & 8) during the schedule change dates: August 5th and 6th from 8am-3pm and on August 7th 8am-11am. You can schedule an appointment by contacting the HS office. Just a reminder, students have eight periods in a school day. Lunch will take place during your 5th period class.

Any new student to the FORT should contact the school at (402) 468-5591 to arrange an appointment for registration if you have not already done so. Registration is available from 8am-3pm August 5th and 6th and from 8am-11am on August 7th. You can schedule an appointment by contacting the office at (402) 468-5591.

Families who face financial hardship are encouraged to fill out paperwork to see if you qualify for free/reduced meals. The paperwork is given to students on the first day of school. If you do not receive the paperwork and are interested in filling out the application, you can find the application on the school website under "food service". You may also search "meal benefit information" in the search box on the homepage. You will need to print the application, fill it out, and return it to school. Those who qualified last year will need to re-apply this year. Last year's services are in place until September 27, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact the office at (402) 468-5591.

Parents, in this mailing is a Student Information Form. Please look the form over, make changes or corrections if needed, and **RETURN THE FORM TO THE HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE**. Also included is a signature form for the Parent Student Handbook, Internet Usage, YouTube, Acceptable Use of Computers, and Emergency Response to Life-Threatening Asthma or Systemic Allergic Reactions. These forms should be completed and returned to the office by August 23rd. **Students should bring the Computer damage/loss liability form signed on the first day of school. Students will not receive a Chromebook without the form being completed.** All handbooks and policies can be found on our school's web page. Hard copies are available in the office.

**Student drop-off and pick-up will remain the same as last year. All students are to be dropped off in the west parking lot and must enter the building through the main entrance. All students are to be picked-up in the south parking lot. Please see the map, which is included in this mailing. This will alleviate congestion in a pick-up line. Students who drive or ride the bus will exit at the main entrance.**

I hope that you enjoy the rest of the summer. School will be here soon. Take some time to think about the upcoming year. What do you envision for yourself this year? Your success is 100% dependent on your actions. I am excited for the start of the school year, let's all make it a great year!

Sincerely,



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