

CLEARFIELD AREA JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

July 31, 2023

Dear Junior-Senior High School students and families,

With the fair here, school is just around the corner! I hope all of you are having a relaxing Summer. The purpose of this letter is to provide information and upcoming events for the beginning of the 2023-24 school year.

At the end of the year, grades 6-11 participated in a move-up day at the Junior-Senior High School. Students moved period by period based on their 2023-24 student selected schedule. We hope each student had a positive experience and that it helped to alleviate apprehensions or stressors students have when transitioning to the next grade level. Even though students know their schedules, there are always some changes such as teachers, room numbers, sections, etc. that arise over the Summer. Student schedules will become active in Sapphire August 7th. We do not have schedule pick-up days, however if you are a new student and do not have a Sapphire account you can pick up your schedule in the guidance office August 21-22 from 8-3pm.

Grade 7, in order for students to obtain their most up-to date schedule, locker information, etc. students need to log into Sapphire using their username and password. Once you obtain access to the community portal on Sapphire, you will be able to obtain and print (right click and print) your schedule under the courses and grades tab. Under the student information tab, you also have access to your locker number and combination. If you do not know your Sapphire log-in or do not have the capability to print your schedule the guidance office is open for you Monday-Thursday 8-3 and Friday 8-noon, prior to the start of school. Please have a copy of your schedule or be able to access via your cell phone as the school will not have schedules printed for each student. However, to assist 7th grade students, schedules will be printed and available at orientation.

Counselors will be in the week of August 14th to schedule new students. If you have a class (es) missing from your schedule you may contact your counselor during this time via email. Priority will be given to students with no schedules, then missing courses, and finally change requests. Once school starts you may make an appointment with your counselor for a possible schedule change. Mr. Jon Mikesell grade 7/8 jmikesell@clearfield.org, Mrs. Lisa Fletcher grade 9/10 jfletcher@clearfield.org, Ms. Shayla Brink grade 11/12 jrinks2140@clearfield.org

Back to school shopping is in full swing. When purchasing school clothes, please know the following clothing/items are not permitted to be worn in school:

Accessories: Hats are not to be worn and must be removed upon entering the building. Hats should be placed in a locker or bag and not carried throughout the day. Sunglasses, bandanas, and headbands are not permitted. This excludes hair accessories. Chains, necklaces or bracelets that could cause injury or disrupt the educational process.

Shirts: Clothing choices must not reveal undergarments while students are standing or while sitting with raised arms. No spandex. No tank tops or spaghetti strap tops.

Shorts, pants, and skirts: Clothing choices must not reveal undergarments. No spandex. Pajamas are not permitted to be worn.

Parent drop off/pick up at the junior-senior high is in the rear of the building. Turn left at the bison statue and follow around the building to the cul de sac and out. Please do not park in parking spaces at the rear of the building. We encourage junior-senior high students to ride the bus as much as possible. Bus information was sent out from the transportation office. Bus riders please know your bus number! It will make the end of the day go much easier.

Every student at CASD gets a free breakfast and lunch. Do you remember your cafeteria code? Not to worry, we have you covered. Teachers will have a list to assist you, if needed. All junior high students must eat breakfast in the cafeteria and remain in the cafeteria until the bell rings for 1st period. If a junior high student chooses not to eat breakfast, they must report to the Bison gym upon arrival at school. Senior High students upon arrival at school should wait in the front commons until the bell rings for 1st period or report to the cafeteria for breakfast. Senior High students have the option of obtaining a grab and go breakfast from the concession stand located by the Weiss gym.

Upcoming beginning of the year events:

Laptop Pick-up for grades 7-12: August 14th-17th from 9 am to 2 pm at the technology department entrance located on the side of the building. Parents/student drivers, please park behind the stadium when picking up laptops.

CASD In-service Days (No Students): August 21st & 22nd

Grade 7/New Student Orientation and Grades 8-12 Welcome Back: Monday, August 21 from 6-7:30 pm. If you didn't pick up your laptop the week prior, you may do so during Welcome Back Night at the technology department entrance located inside the school. No outside access to the technology department this evening.

7th Grade and new student orientation will be in the auditorium at 6 pm. All 7th grade/new students and their parents/guardians are encouraged to attend. After orientation, families are invited to tour the building, meet classroom teachers, find lockers and visit our Bison photo booth! After being here for both the 6th grade tour and move-up day, we are confident your student can lead their family around to their classes. Not to worry, a map will be provided to assist each student. Only 7th grade/new students and parents/guardians should attend the 6 pm orientation in the auditorium.

Grades 8-12 are welcome to tour the building, meet teachers, and find their lockers etc. from 6-7:30. Every 7th-12th student who attends Welcome Back Night will have a chance to enter a drawing for an item of their choice: credit at the Bison Café Snack Shack, free home sports pass or a free parking pass!

First Day of School: Wednesday, August 23rd

We look forward to seeing all of you at Welcome Back Night and can't wait for students to return to the halls of Clearfield Area Junior-Senior High School!

Sincerely,

Heather Prestash, Principal Eric Scaife, Assistant Principal Andy Brickley, Assistant Principal