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RUTHERFORD HIGH SCHOOL
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August 2019

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians:

In just a few short weeks the 2019-2020 school year will begin.

Please review the information listed below as well as the enclosed materials:

- Attached is a copy of the bell schedule. For the 2019-2020 school year, we will be running a four-day rotating block schedule that includes one common lunch period. Once again, this schedule was designed to enable students and teachers to engage in deeper discussion and hands-on project-based learning activities.
- **A voluntary orientation for incoming freshman will be held on Thursday, August 22 at 10:00 a.m.** Members of the class of 2023 should report to the auditorium. The program will end by noon and schedules will be distributed to the ninth graders who attend. **During this program, all freshmen will be issued their Chromebook and charger.**
- A ninth grade parent orientation meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10 at 6:00 pm in the auditorium. This will be a very informative meeting regarding school rules, procedures, activities, programs, and academics. The meeting will last approximately forty-five minutes. To avoid having parents out on multiple nights, this will take place the same night as Back to School Night.
- The **first day of classes** for all students will be **Thursday, September 5**. Homeroom assignments will be posted at building entrances. Homeroom begins at 7:55 am, students will receive their schedules at that time, and will follow the "A Day" schedule.
- The Parent Portal will be open to all parents. The portal allows you to view your child's grades and attendance. We will remind you in the middle of each quarter to check your child's progress. We no longer distribute report cards in school. You will be notified of the date quarter grades are finalized. At that point you may check the Parent Portal for the electronic grade report. Please contact the guidance office if you do not have Internet access and we will mail progress reports and report cards to you.

- **Students with outstanding obligations from the 2018-2019 school year will not receive a schedule on opening day.** Please clear any obligation in the guidance office prior to the beginning of school; otherwise, students will be expected to clear their obligation on opening day which may mean a delay in attending classes.
- **Summer reading and summer math assignments are mandatory for AP classes.** Please be sure all work is completed. Information can be found on the school website under Quicklinks. Please encourage all students to "just read."
- In June all students received individual course lists for 2019-2020. **No schedule changes will be made after school opens in September.** Guidance counselors will be available August 26 through August 29.
- If a student wishes to participate in the fall sports program, cheerleading or the band and did not have a physical, he/she must contact his/her physician for the examination. Please contact the athletic office for further information.
- **Back to School Night will be September 10 at 7:00 pm.**
- The PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) for juniors and PreACT for sophomores will be offered on October 16, 2019. There will be no cost to juniors or sophomores.
- Although June is a long way off, we remind you that the attendance policy is in force the entire year and that **requests for absences or early release cannot be honored, so plan your vacations, trips, summer camps, and jobs after the closing of school.**
- Our *Handbook/Planner* is available online. Please review and familiarize yourself with **updated policies and procedures** regarding attendance, tardiness/demerit system, dress code, substance abuse, fighting (violence), bullying/harassment, as well as other rules/regulations. These rules help us create a safe and effective learning environment.
- On September 24, 2019 a referendum will be put to a vote for improvements to schools throughout the district. Visit www.OneRutherford.com for the most updated and accurate information.

I hope the remaining days of summer are relaxing and enjoyable. I look forward to seeing the students on Thursday, September 5.

Sincerely,



Frank Morano
Principal

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RUTHERFORD HIGH SCHOOL DAILY ROTATING SCHEDULE

2019 - 2020



Regular Bell Schedule	
Homeroom	7:55 - 8:00
Block 1	8:03 - 8:59
Block 2	9:02 - 9:58
Block 3	10:01 - 10:57
Lunch (Block 4)	11:00 - 11:51
Block 5	11:54 - 12:50
Block 6	12:53 - 1:49
Block 7	1:52 - 2:48

N/L = Non-Lab Day
O/S = One-Session Day

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5 A	6 B		1 C	2 D	3 A	4 B
9 C N/L	10 D	11 A	12 B	13 C	7 C N/L	8 D	9 A	10 B	11 C
16 D N/L	17 A	18 B	19 C	20 D	14 School Closed	15 D	16 A	17 B	18 C
23 A N/L	24 B	25 C	26 D	27 A	21 D N/L	22 A	23 B	24 C	25 D
30 B N/L					28 A N/L	29 B	30 C	31 D	
NOVEMBER					DECEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
				1 A	2 A N/L	3 B	4 C	5 D	6 A
4 B	5 School Closed	6 C	7 School Closed	8 School Closed	9 B N/L	10 C	11 D	12 A	13 B
11 D N/L	12 A	13 B	14 C	15 D	16 C N/L	17 D	18 A	19 B	20 C O/S
18 A N/L	19 B	20 C	21 D	22 A	23 School Closed	24 School Closed	25 School Closed	26 School Closed	27 School Closed
25 B	26 C	27 D O/S	28 School Closed	29 School Closed	30 School Closed	31 School Closed			
JANUARY					FEBRUARY				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
		1 School Closed	2 D	3 A					
6 B N/L	7 C	8 D	9 A	10 B	3 A N/L	4 B	5 C	6 D	7 A
13 C N/L	14 D	15 A	16 B	17 C	10 B	11 C	12 D	13 A	14 School Closed
20 School Closed	21 D	22 A	23 B	24 C	17 School Closed	18 B	19 C	20 D	21 A
27 D N/L	28 A	29 B	30 C	31 D	24 B N/L	25 C	26 D	27 A	28 B
MARCH					APRIL				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
2 C N/L	3 D	4 A	5 B	6 C			1 A	2 B	3 C
9 D N/L	10 A	11 B	12 C	13 D	6 D	7 A	8 B	9 C	10 School Closed
16 A N/L	17 B	18 C	19 D	20 A	13 School Closed	14 School Closed	15 School Closed	16 School Closed	17 School Closed
23 B N/L	24 C	25 D	26 A	27 B	20 D N/L	21 A	22 B	23 C	24 D
30 C N/L	31 D				27 A N/L	28 B	29 C	30 D	
MAY					JUNE				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
				1 A	1 D N/L	2 A	3 B	4 C	5 D
4 B N/L	5 C	6 D	7 A	8 B	8 A N/L	9 B	10 C	11 D	12 A
11 C N/L	12 D	13 A	14 B	15 C	15 B N/L	16 C	17 D	18 A	19 B O/S
18 D N/L	19 A	20 B	21 C	22 D	22 C O/S	23 D O/S	24	25	26
25 School Closed	26 School Closed	27 A	28 B	29 C	29	30			

Delayed Opening Bell Schedule		One-Session Day Bell Schedule	
Homeroom	10:40 - 10:45	Homeroom	7:55 - 8:00
Block 1	10:48 - 11:30	Block 1	8:03 - 8:43
Block 2	11:33 - 12:13	Block 2	8:46 - 9:26
Block 3	12:16 - 12:56	Block 3	9:29 - 10:09
Block 5	12:59 - 1:39	Block 5	10:12 - 10:52
Block 6	1:42 - 2:22	Block 6	10:55 - 11:35
Block 7	2:25 - 3:00	Block 7	11:38 - 12:18

Classes are determined by the "Letter" Day.
If an emergency school closing occurs,
the "Letter" Day scheduled for that day will be omitted.

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Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians:

Students who are assigned central detention and fail to attend will accrue demerits.

A student will receive central detention for being late to school or for various other school infractions. Retroactive notes will not be accepted.

If a student does not attend central detention, he/she will be assigned one demerit. If a student accumulates five or more demerits, the student will be listed as ineligible for all extra-curricular activities. The student will remain ineligible until the demerits are satisfied through attending central detention, based on the equation of one central detention for one demerit.

When the demerits reach a point of zero, the student will be removed from the ineligible list. Demerits will be cumulative throughout the current school year and will be rolled over each school year. Only the principal or his/her designee will assign demerits. The ineligible list will be accessible through the attendance office. Please be advised that ineligible students may not participate in any extra-curricular activity including the senior prom and the graduation ceremony.

Central detention will be held twice a day, from 7:30 am to 7:50 am and again at 2:55 pm to 3:15 pm. Students have the option of attending either one or both.

Sincerely

Frank Morano
Principal

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SAVE THE DATE!!!
Mark your calendar!

It's never too early to start planning.

2019-2020
Special Workshops
Rutherford High School Auditorium

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|----------------|--|
| September 10th | Back to School Night
Parents/guardians only
*6pm - 9 th Grade Parent Orientation
7pm - Back to School Night |
| October 10th | 7pm - Financial Aid Night
All are welcome
7:45pm - Senior Parent & Student Night
All are welcome |
| January 16th | 7pm - Curriculum Night
All are welcome |
| March 19th | 7pm - Post-Secondary Information Night
All are welcome |

IMPORTANT HEALTH NOTICE



REQUIRED TESTING

Rutherford Public Schools
Rutherford, NJ 07070

Immunization Records – To be presented upon registration to school and reviewed by school nurse.

Tuberculin Testing (Mantoux test) – The State Department's rules concerning testing for evidence of tuberculosis in public schools are as follows:

- The Mantoux test for tuberculosis is used exclusively for all school employees, unless documented within the past six months.
- Students entering a New Jersey school from high tuberculosis incidence country must be tested. (Listed in TB guidelines).

Hepatitis B Vaccine – All students entering kindergarten – grade 12 are required to have begun the Hepatitis B series (3 doses) in order to enter school and complete it within six months.

Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) Vaccine- Preschool students are required to receive 1 MMR by 15 months of age. Children are required to receive 2 doses of measles, 1 dose of mumps, and 1 dose of rubella once he/she enters kindergarten.

Influenza – The current seasonal influenza vaccine is required every year for those children 6 months through 59 months. Students who have not received the flu vaccine by December 31 must be excluded from preschool for the duration of the influenza season.

Pneumococcal Conjugate - Preschool students must receive at least 1 dose given on or after their first birthday.

Haemophilus Influenza type B (HIB) – Preschool students must receive at least 1 dose on or after the first birthday.

Meningococcal – All students entering grade 6 on or after 9/1/08 and born on or after 1/1/97.

Diphtheria/Pertussis/Tetanus Vaccine – Ages 1-6 years; 4 doses, with 1 dose given on or after the 4th birthday, OR any 5 doses, age 7-9 years; 3 doses of TD or any previously administered combination of DTP, DTAP, or DT to equal 3 doses.

TDAP- All pupils entering grade 6 on or after 9/1/08 and born on or after 1/1/97 must have 1 booster dose of TDAP. A child is not required to have a TDAP dose until FIVE years after the last DTP/DTAP or TD dose.

Polio Vaccine – Age 1-6 years; 3 doses, with 1 dose given on or after the 4th birthday, OR any 4 doses. At age 7 or older; any 3 doses.

Varicella Vaccine – (Chicken Pox Vaccine) 1 dose after 1st birthday or proof of disease. Required for children entering school born on or after 1/1/98.

Screenings – The school nurse will perform the following screenings on your child:

- Vision (biannually up to grade 10)
- Hearing (annually grades K-3, grade 7, grade 11)
- Height and weight (annually)
- Blood pressure (annually)
- Scoliosis (biannually ages 10 to 18)

If you do not wish these screenings to be done on your child, contact your child's school nurse as soon as school starts in September.

Pre- entrance physical – All new students entering school are required to have a physical within 30 days of the start of school done by your private health care provider.

For students entering Pre-K or Kindergarten, the child shall have been examined by a private physician and the results shall be furnished to the school on the form provided.

*** Any medical problems or medications that your child is required to take should be discussed with the school nurse when your child enters school. Forms for administering emergency medication can be secured from the school nurse.

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