



Freedom High School

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Dear Falcon Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. We know that this year is starting differently than what we all expected, but we look forward to making it memorable, exciting, and educational for everyone. As we approach the first day of school, we understand there is a lot of uneasiness concerning how to access classrooms and our new digital platform Canvas. Prior to the first day, the district will send detailed instructions regarding access to our online learning platforms. Please check your email frequently and we will continue to update our website. Included in this letter, you will find information regarding distance learning expectations, textbook distribution, a bell schedule, and a school calendar.

Distance Learning Expectations: In creating and maintaining a positive learning environment, we want to take this time to remind you of the expectations for distance learning:

- Attendance will be taken every day at the start of each period. If your student is unable to attend a class, please contact the school office so we can document attendance appropriately. FHS Attendance line (925)625-5900 x3045
- School rules regarding conduct and dress are still in effect. Please be sure to have students wear appropriate attire for a school setting and follow the rules of conduct as laid out in our student handbook found on our website under the parent info tab.
- In keeping with a positive professional environment, please make sure that any virtual or in-home Zoom backgrounds are also school appropriate. Students who display inappropriate backgrounds or images during a class may be subject to school discipline. For instructions on changing the Zoom background, please visit the FAQ page on our website.

Textbook Distribution: In accordance with Contra Costa County's Health guidelines and social distancing protocols, we will offer textbook distribution August 10-14. Textbook distribution will follow the same format as Picture Day and organized by grade level. If you have multiple students, they may pick up textbooks on the day of their choice. A parent/guardian is not required to attend with their student.

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AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The local educational agency (i.e. - Liberty Union High School District) adopted (has) a policy that prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on actual or perceived ancestry, age, color, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation or association with a person or a group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Additionally, the local agency must have the following in their policies (and practices) in place:

The policy shall include the following: a) statement that it applies to all acts related to school activity or school attendance within a school under the jurisdiction of the superintendent of the school district.

b) Requires that school personnel take immediate steps to intervene when it is safe to do so and when he or she witnesses an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying.

Legal Citations: Education Code [EC] §§ 200, 220, 221.5, 234.1, 260; Government Code [GC] § 11135; Penal Code [PC] § 422.55; California Code of Regulations, Title 5 (5 CCR) §§ 4900, 4902, 4960.

Monday, August 10th:	3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 9th Grade
Tuesday, August 11th:	3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 10th Grade
Wednesday, August 12th:	3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 11th Grade
Thursday, August 13th:	3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 12th Grade
Friday, August 14th:	3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. All grades

- **Textbook Distribution Procedures:** Textbook distribution will take place in the A Quad/Textbook Room. When arriving to FHS we ask all drivers to enter through the gate of the student parking lot closest to the basin. Please follow the signs as drivers will be directed to zigzag through the student parking lot in an attempt to alleviate traffic congestion on Neroly Road. Follow the line of vehicles until you are greeted by a staff member at the gate next to the gym. When directed by a staff member, follow the signs until you reach another staff member in front of the B Building/Bike Racks. The student will exit the vehicle and meet another staff member who will guide them to the A Quad where they will be placed in a line to receive their textbooks. Students who drive themselves will need to follow the same process but will be directed by a staff member to park once they arrive in front of the B Building/Bike Racks. After receiving their textbooks, students will be directed to return to their vehicle and exit the parking lot.
- **Student Expectations:** In an effort to minimize the number of people on campus only FHS Students will be allowed to attend textbook distribution. Students will need to bring their schedule and Student ID. We require all students to wear a face covering and follow a safe social distance of 6 feet. We ask that students do not congregate on campus before or after receiving their textbooks and that all non-students remain in their vehicle.

Although some of the items above may seem inconsequential, when we all work together to create a positive learning environment, we set the stage to tap into limitless potential. The current year will present new challenges and opportunities for all of us, but the Freedom staff is excited and ready to help students achieve their goals and be their best. For questions, please call our main office at (925)625-5900.

Respectfully,

The Freedom Administration

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