



Freedom High School

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Dear Freedom Families:

We hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and safe. Since our June summer letter, there have been some changes to next year's calendar and we want to update you with as much information as it becomes available. The 2020-2021 school year will begin on August 10. The school calendar and bell schedule will come out in the weeks to come so please continue to check your email.

In accordance with Contra Costa County's Health guidelines and social distancing protocols, we will offer a Picture Day which replaces our traditional walk-thru which was scheduled for July, 15, 16, and 20 (please see the new dates below). To be mindful of your student's instructional time and still maintain a safe school environment, we ask that your student attend Picture Day per their grade level to take their yearbook photo and receive their ID card. If you have multiple students, they may attend Picture Day on the day of their choice. A parent/guardian is not required to attend with their student.

Monday, July 27th:	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	9th Grade
Tuesday, July 28th:	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	10th Grade
Wednesday, July 29th:	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	11th Grade
Thursday, July 30th:	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	12th Grade
Friday, July 31th:	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	All grades welcome

- **PICTURE DAY PROCEDURES:** Picture Day will take place in the gym. When arriving to FHS we ask all drivers to enter through the gate of the student parking lot closest to the basin. 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, the student will exit the vehicle and meet another staff member who will guide them through the line to the back entrance of the gym to take their picture. Students who drive themselves will need to follow the same process but will be directed by a staff member to park once they arrive at the gym gate. After taking their picture, students will exit the main entry doors of the gym to go to their vehicle.
- **STUDENT EXPECTATIONS:** In an effort to minimize the number of people on campus only FHS Students will be allowed to attend Picture Day. Students do not need to bring any paperwork with them. We require all students to wear a face covering and follow a safe social distance of 6 feet. [School dress code](#) applies and students out of compliance will not be allowed to take their picture. We ask that students do not congregate on campus before or after taking their photos and that all non-students remain in their vehicle.
- **PICTURE and ID CARD LINK:** For faster service on Picture Day, we ask that you complete [this form](#) even if you do not plan to purchase pictures. If you do not want to purchase pictures please click on the "ID Card and Yearbook Photo Only NO CHARGE" button at the bottom of the [Creative Imaging link](#). Senior photos dates are to be determined and we will send information out as it becomes available.

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.

- **MAKE-UP PICTURE DAY:** Due to family schedules, you may not be able to attend this picture day, therefore we will be providing a make-up picture day once school starts.
- **DATA CONFIRMATION:** Data confirmation allows parents/guardians to update personal information, medical history, emergency contacts, and sign all school authorizations and documents electronically. Data confirmation is **required** to complete the registration process for ALL students and **must be completed on or before July 15, 2020**. Students will not receive a schedule of classes unless data confirmation is complete. Please log in to your Aeries parent portal account to complete data confirmation. Any device with internet access can be used to complete data confirmation. A tutorial of the steps to complete data confirmation can be found on our [website https://ca01001129.schoolwires.net/Domain/70](https://ca01001129.schoolwires.net/Domain/70)
- **WEBSTORE:** This year all of the purchases will be available [online](#).
- **STUDENT SCHEDULES:** After completing data confirmation, residency verification for 9th graders ONLY, schedules will be mailed the 1st week of August.
- **TEXTBOOKS:** Textbooks will be issued during the first weeks of classes.

We are excited to start the school year and see all of our new and returning students. If we can be of assistance in any way please do not hesitate to call (925)625-5900.

Sincerely,

The Freedom High School Administration

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