

Heritage High School

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Dear Patriot Families,

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year. We know that this year is starting differently than what we all expected, but our staff is looking forward to making it memorable, exciting, and educational for our students. First, I want to say a huge thank you to all families as we processed over 2500 students thru our modified walk-thru last week. Second, we know that there are many questions about how our students will be attending classes starting Monday, August 10th. I want to assure you that we will be here to help if you have any difficulties next week; please know that you are not alone. Below are some key points we hope will help answer some questions and alleviate anxiety.

- How does my student attend class on Monday? A detailed communication from our district office will be sent in the next day or two with instructions explaining how your student will login to classes online Monday morning through Clever.com. For our returning students, their login and password has changed and information on how to access their existing Clever account will come from the district as well.
 - School starts at 8:30am and attendance will be taken every period, each day. If your student is unable to attend a class, please contact the school office so we can document attendance appropriately. HHS Attendance line (925)634-0037 x6006. Email or text hhsattendance@luhsd.net
 - The LUHSD distance learning bell schedule (<u>linked here</u>) and the 2020-21 instructional calendar (<u>linked here</u>) are posted on the main page of our school's website under shortcuts.
- What will class look like for the 1-hr class time period? Teachers and students will be interacting "live" together for the 1 hour class time period via Zoom using a variety of instructional strategies.
- What is the tutorial period from 2pm-3pm? Similar to our Patriot Plus Period, tutorial time is a 1 hour block occurring two to three times weekly, highly encouraged but optional, where students can receive instructional help and support from their teachers.
- Technology Support Next Week: If your student is having difficulty accessing their classes next week, please contact your student's SLC or the main office for technical support: (925)634-0037. (Students' SLC is located on their ID card or under demographics and grid code in Aeries Portal.)

SLC A: x6010	SLC B: x6020
SLC C: x6030	SLC D: x6040



Schedule Changes: Our counselors are working hard processing schedule change requests. Schedule change requests are only being processed through our virtual schedule change request forms (linked here) also located on our website under shortcuts. If your student needs to exchange a textbook or pick-up a book for a new class they may do so tomorrow, Thursday, August 6th between 12:30 and 3:30 pm out in front of the library or Tuesday, August 11th through Friday, August 21st between 8:00-9:00 am or 2pm-4pm at our textbook room near the library. Please make sure if a student or parent comes to exchange or pick up books that they wear a mask, social distance, and have the student's current ID card.

> <u>Reminders for Creating and Maintaining a Positive Learning Environment:</u>

- 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 school 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.
- Teachers will be discussing other online classroom norms and procedures in class over the course of next week.

I want to thank you in advance for your patient support as our district office, site administration and staff make the radical preparations necessary to transition from in person, physical classrooms to virtual ones. This year will present new challenges, but with patience and grace we can accomplish anything. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely, Carrie J. Wells Principal, Heritage High School

