Secondary Academy for Success

August 13, 2021

Welcome parents and students to the 2021-22 school year. We are so excited to get this school year started. We have included some important information in this letter. You can also find information on our website [www.sas.nsd.org](http://www.sas.nsd.org). If you don’t find info there please call the office at 425-408-6601.

Our daily schedule has **changed** once again, with a later start and end time. Our school day is from

**8:20 am – 2:55pm**. Early release Wednesdays will be from **8:20 am – 1:25pm**. Our Bell Schedule will be different than past years. Please check our SAS website at [sas.nsd.org](http://sas.nsd.org/) for more schedule details, school calendar, progress report schedule etc.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR ALL GRADE LEVELS** : **Wednesday, September 1st.**

We will be starting our first day on Wednesday September 1st, for all grade levels. Students will receive their schedules, meet their teachers and classmates, and attend classes**. Free Breakfast/Continental and Lunch** will beprovided and served for ALL students by our fantastic staff. Regular school breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase beginning on September 2nd**.** Please make the appropriate deposits to your student’s food account. If you have questions regarding how to set up an account or deposit money, please call 425-408-7654. If you had an account at another Northshore school, the account and any funds left will transfer with your student.

Free and Reduced forms are available online on the district website at [www.nsd.org](http://www.nsd.org). The district has emailed all parents the “Required Forms” (i.e. WA State Attendance, Rights & Responsibilities Handbook, Weapons letter, Student Housing Questionnaire and Permission to Withhold Student Directory Information, which are to be completed online by parents before school begins.

**BUSES:** Bus routes will be determined by what neighborhood middle school you live near. Morning neighborhood buses to the middle schools then shuttles from the middle school to SAS. On the way home, shuttles to the high schools, then to neighborhood stops. If your student needs bus transportation please go to the district website [www.nsd.org](http://www.nsd.org) go to Our District, then Departments and select Transportation then **Transportation Forms**. We ask that you fill out a SAS transportation survey at [transportation survey form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd0tSDq6rb0LXgwPsye0ULOAumiQwGUEynLWvWTJXVEZPEngw/viewform) (before **August 26th** for your student to ride the bus on the first day of school).

If your student is taking a satellite class at one of the high schools, the transportation department will notify you of your student’s shuttle bus number, or you may contact Transportation at 425-408-7900.

All satellite classes begin on ***September 2, 2021.***

**BUS PASSES:** If your student wishes to ride home with another student, all requests need to follow district policy. Requests must be ***in writing*** and include name, address and bus number of the student they will be riding home with. All bus requests are to be turned into the main office prior to lunchtime for approval and processing. This may change per COVID and district procedures as information is received.

**PARKING PASSES:** **Parking:** Students enrolled in a WaNIC, Running Start or Satellite Programs, will have the opportunity to be considered first to purchase a parking pass at SAS. As space is available, seniors and juniors in “good academic/behavioral standing” and not owing fines will qualify for a parking pass. The parking fee remains the same as last year at $40.00. Please remember, parking spaces are very limited. Sophomores will be considered at a later date if space is available.

**Seniors and Juniors** can purchase passes on:

**Thursday** August 19, 2021 from **12:00pm – 3:00pm** and **Friday** August 20, 2021 from

**9:00am – 12:00pm.**

* Bring the completed application (form found on SAS website)
* **$40.00** Parking Pass fee (NON-REFUNDABLE). **Credit/Debit, Check or exact cash**
* Copy of your current Driver’s License
* Copy of your current Auto Insurance verification

**REMINDER:** Parking is **not allowed** next door at the Support Services building or the surrounding businesses. If you do not have a parking pass to park in the designated parking spaces for SAS, you will need to ride the bus or park at the Park & Ride by McDonald’s.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** Please make sure your student has paper, pencils, pens, one or two composition books and a flash/thumb drive to start school. Any specific supplies required for a particular class will be communicated to the students once school starts. You will not need to bring any supplies on September 1st, the first day of school.

**ALL students will be assessed a $25.00 Supply/Art fee** to help support many of our Friday Opportunities**.** Scholarships are available.

High school is a time that comes with many questions and challenges. As parents, your involvement will help your student meet those challenges and answer those questions in a positive and productive manner. When parents are involved in their student’s education, it sends a clear message that education is valued, should be a priority and is one way for parents to help their student be successful. Some of the ways to be involved may include:

* Help your student show up to school daily and **ON TIME**
* Ensure they have adequate sleep and food
* Attend the Curriculum Night on **October 7, 2021, at 7:00pm** in the SAS Commons (as CDC and district guidelines allow)
* Visit our website at [www.sas.nsd.org](http://www.sas.nsd.org) for information, daily schedules, pictures from field trips and activities, district information etc.
* Ask your student to see their Progress Report every 16 days or so. They will have a copy to bring home at the end of each **progress reporting period** (see schedule attached). Our first progress reporting period ends on September 23rd. Email or call your student’s teacher, counselor or me if you have questions or concerns.

I look forward to welcoming all our returning and new students on **September 1st**. SAS is a special place, and we can’t wait to have you as part of that “special place” for the 21-22 school year.

Enjoy these remaining days of summer; we look forward to having a GREAT year together.

Sincerely,

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