August 14, 2019

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

I hope you are enjoying your summer and are anxious to begin, or continue, your high school experience at Oxford High School. Following is information to help make your transition back to school on August 28 a smooth one.

Parking permits -- To obtain a parking permit, bring copies (the office will not be able to make copies) of your driver's license, registration, and proof of insurance, along with a $100 check payable to Oxford High School between the hours of 9 a.m.-12 noon any weekday beginning August 19. Students may not apply for a permit until they actually have their license. The fee will be prorated throughout the school year. Information and applications are available on-line.

Athletics/Drama – Pay-to-participate will continue to be instituted for athletics and drama. There will be a sports information/coach's meeting for parents and students who will participate in OHS fall sports on Tuesday, August 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

Please log on to www.oxfordpublicschools.org after August 15 to access additional pertinent information such as a supplies list, calculator information, school calendar, student/parent handbook, athletic handbook, etc. It is important that you and your child read and review the contents of the Oxford High School Student Handbook before the first day of school. It contains notices of rights that you and your child have under the law as well as the Student Code of Conduct. All students will be required to sign an acknowledgement form indicating he/she has read, understands, and will abide by the policies in the handbook. Information about the dress code is included in the handbook as well. Proper dress/attire will be similar to the standards adhered to at all district schools and will be enforced as per Board policy.

Freshman Orientation (Link Crew) – August 22, 8 a.m. to 12 noon, in the gymnasium. An informational letter was mailed home to freshman parents. If you have not received this, please call the main office to request one. In addition, there will be a brief meeting for freshman parents starting at 8 a.m. in the auditorium with administration.

Schedules may be accessed through Power School as of August 15. When you review your schedule, please be aware that every attempt was made to honor elective requests. However, academic subjects are the priority, and an elective conflict may have resulted. Our guidance counselors will be available at Oxford High School from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (by appointment) on August 20, 21 & 22 for student schedule issues. Add/drop requests will only be honored if absolutely necessary. Keep in mind that we encourage all students to try exploratory electives they might not have otherwise chosen.

Advisory – Some advisory group assignments have been changed for the 2019-2020 school year. Students will be able to verify their advisory group and location by reviewing their schedule in Power School.

We will continue to use Power School as our parent portal for access to your child's data (grades, upcoming events, assignments, etc.). Log-in procedures and parent user ID/passwords are the same as in the past. It is the parent/guardian responsibility to update contact and other pertinent information at this time and throughout the year. Remember to press “Submit” after updating information.

Future communication to parents will be via email only. Please be sure your email address is updated in Power School. If you do not have access to email, notify the OHS main office.

Bus routes will be published in Voices around the middle of August. Any bus stop or route issues may be addressed to All Star Transportation at 888-2128. For your planning purposes, the school day is 7:20 a.m. to 2:04 p.m. The first day of school for students is Wednesday, August 28.

Picture Day at OHS will be held on Wednesday, September 4. Rockwell Studio will be taking pictures of the freshmen, sophomores and juniors. Forms will be distributed to students during Advisory.

Meet the Teachers Night will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 17. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Potter