# JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL



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## Jackson High School Family,

I hope that you are looking forward to this second semester and what equates to new classes and new teachers. In these uncertain times, Jackson High School is especially committed to giving your child the best education we can. Furthermore, we will attempt to provide as much information for upcoming events.

## A few announcements and updates:

Chromebook checkout will occur January 6-8, 2020, from 8:30 to 3:00 in limited numbers through Ms. Milam (Media Center).

# January 6<sup>th</sup> - Virtual Open House: Please follow your child's schedule from Infinite Campus

 $1^{st}$  Block -2:00-2:30

 $2^{nd}$  Block -2:30-3:00

 $3^{rd}$  Block -3:00-3:30

 $4^{th}$  Block -3:30-4:00

This virtual open house is in lieu of a face to face open-house; this should give students, parents, and teachers an opportunity to meet for the first time and for the teacher to share their expectations with both the parent and the student. Please know that our teachers are always easy to reach via email and all email addresses are found on the JHS webpage.

## For those students without internet:

Packets will be provided to any student that does not have internet access. These packets will be available on January 7<sup>th</sup> by noon. All packets will be located outside the main entrance, inside of a drawer with your instructor's name on it. All packet work is due upon return to school on Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### For those students that have internet:

Online Instruction will begin January 7, 2021, per their schedule. Students need to check their student BCSS email account for Google Class joining information.

All students are strongly encouraged to engage in on-line learning if at all possible by joining their instructor via Google Meets or Zoom.

The following schedule provides an example of how the first seven days will be structured for ALL students during this first week and a half. The teacher may do shorter sessions (15 video - 15 Q&A - 15 video - 15 Q&A) that still equate to "live" instruction. If your child misses his or her session they can join a later session if the teacher has the same class during multiple periods of the day or watch the videos that the teacher will provide on their JHS website or Google Classroom.

## Monday – Friday

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Block

8:30 - 9:00 - Mini-Lessons/Live Instruction

9:00 – 9:30 – Live Q&A Session for students who log on

9:30-10:00 - Content Development/Grading/Parent Contact

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Block

10:00 – 10:30 - Mini-Lessons/Live Instruction

10:30 – 11:00 – Live Q&A Session for students who log on

11:00-11:30 – Content Development/Grading/Parent Contact

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Block

12:00 – 12:30 - Mini-Lessons/Live Instruction

12:30 – 1:00 – Live Q&A Session for students who log on

1:00-1:30 - Content Development/Grading/Parent Contact

## 4<sup>th</sup> Block

1:30 - 2:00 - Mini-Lessons/Live Instruction

2:00 – 2:30 – Live Q&A Session for students who log on

2:30-3:00 - Content Development/Grading/Parent Contact

3:00 – 4:00 – Further Planning and Collaboration among Faculty

## **Grading Expectations**

Students and parents will receive weekly feedback from you in the form of:

- Feedback on Google Classroom Assignments or Take Home Lessons
- Emails/Phone Calls

Assessments and feedback in the first seven days may be both *formative* and *summative* - allowing the instructor to get a pulse check on their students and allowing parents to have an idea of their child's skill level on the standards. We will continue with our weekly IC communications. Our students, parents, and teachers did a great job of adapting to the situation last spring and this past fall, and we expect to do even better this time.

#### **Extra-curricular Activities**

Those sports that are actively competing will continue to follow GHSA and CDC mitigation strategies in regards to our athletes. For the next few weeks, **only** parents of the home and visiting participants will be allowed to purchase tickets to watch their child participate. Each student-athlete will be given a code to purchase an online ticket.

#### **Dual Enrollment**

At this time, all dual enrollment will begin virtually with GRCCA, Gordon, and Southern Crescent until January 19<sup>th</sup>. Please continue to monitor your student email and Remind for more information.

# January 19<sup>th</sup> – Virtual Only Students

Due to ever changing COVID numbers and the new knowledge of your child's performance in the first semester, you can expect your child's advisor to reach out and confirm with you (the guardian) how you would prefer that your child continue their educational experience with Jackson High School. You can expect a phone call or email through January 8<sup>th</sup> to confirm their placement.

# January 19<sup>th</sup> - In-person Instruction

Face-to-Face instruction is scheduled to begin on January 19<sup>th</sup>. There will be further communication concerning our JHS procedures in regards to classrooms, lunch, and transitions. Face coverings will be required in transitional times and any time that we cannot socially distance outside of 6 feet, including classroom instruction.

Thanks for your cooperation and flexibility.

Sincerely,

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