



PARRISH COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Parrish Community High School has enjoyed a great inaugural opening of the 2019-2020 school year. Our students and staff are working together to make this year an incredible beginning and lay the foundation for a future of tradition and academic excellence. We are excited to announce that our current student enrollment is higher than our original projection. During the first few weeks of school, our student body has grown to almost 600 students. Due to this increase, we were given four additional instructional units to allow us to add multiple core and elective courses and decrease class sizes in accordance with Class Size Amendment policies. To accomplish this, we will need to change the schedule of many of our students.

Changing teachers or the class period of a class can be a challenge for students. We appreciate your support in helping your child understand that learning to be flexible and adjusting to change are important life skills especially when the outcome will be extremely beneficial to all. As many of you know, we were limited with the number of sections we were able to offer in our core and elective classes. This created scheduling conflicts where a student may have ended up in a course not chosen initially. We are hoping to be able to resolve most of those conflicts and open up more flexibility with schedule options.

In order to have the smoothest transition and allow time for new staff to be in place, we will be doing school wide schedule changes on Thursday October 17, which is the third day of the second quarter. Quarter 1 grades will be finalized on October 14. Due to a field trip that will affect many of our students on October 15, PSAT testing on October 16, Quarter 1 benchmark testing finishing that week, and securing our newly hired teachers to start, October 17 becomes the ideal time for those who will transition to a new course or teacher.

We will start school on October 17 with an alpha homeroom, similarly to what was done on the first day of school. In that homeroom, all students will receive a copy of their schedule, regardless if they have had a change or not. We will then continue with our normal, even day schedule. Friday, October 18 will be a regular odd day schedule with no homeroom.

If you have any questions about your child's schedule change, please feel free to call or e-mail the teacher or their school counselor after they have received their schedule on October 17. Thank you in advance for your support of our school.

Sincerely,

Craig Little
Principal

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