June 17, 2019

Dear Warrior Freshmen and Parents:

Welcome to the Warrior Tribe, Class of 2023! We are very excited that you are coming to Wando High School for the 2019-2020 school year. We know this is a big step, and you are experiencing feelings of both joy and apprehension. To help make this an easy transition, we are hosting a special Freshman Orientation Day on Tuesday, August 20, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. - 1:35 p.m. for all ninth graders attending Wando for the first time. Bus transportation will be provided. This will be your first day of school, so you should bring paper, pencil or pen, and lunch money (menu listed below). Students on free and reduced lunch will receive assistance.

**Freshmen Orientation Menu:**
Chicken Tenders and Fries (comes with milk and fruit) - $2.25

Additional drinks and snacks will be available for purchase.

When you attend orientation on August 20, you will report to your Advisement class first, which will be listed on your schedule. During the day, we will help you get acquainted with your teachers, find your classes, go to lunch, and help you gain the knowledge necessary to get your freshman year off to a great start. Only freshmen new to Wando will attend classes on August 20, as part of their orientation to high school.

The first day for all other students, including repeating ninth graders, is Wednesday, August 21, 2019. Beginning August 21, our regular hours for students will be 8:30 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Freshman schedules will be available on:

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Please be prepared to pay your fees at this time.

**The schedule for Orientation Day is:**

- Remaining Fee/Schedule Pick-up: 8:00 - 8:30
- Advisement: 8:30 - 9:30
- First Block: 9:35 - 10:10
- Second Block: 10:15 - 10:55
- Third Block/Lunch: 11:00 - 12:15
- Fourth Block: 12:20 - 12:50
- Assembly: 12:55 - 1:35
There will be an optional parent orientation that will last approximately 45 minutes at 8:30 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center. During this time, we will go over some of the information your students will receive during their first day of school along with other tips and survival tricks for freshmen parents. If you are driving your student to school on Orientation Day, please follow our student drop off procedure included in this letter and also on our website. This will help familiarize your child with the daily drop off procedure for the year.

If you are attending the parent presentation, proceed through the student drop-off loop and then turn right at the stop sign to enter our west parking lot to park. You will enter the building through the west entrance and proceed to the Performing Arts Center. Please stop by the Warrior Shop to pick up Wando merchandise on the way or as you leave. If you need to pay fees and pick up schedules, stop by the Media Center before coming to the Performing Arts Center. If you are unable to attend the parent orientation, the PowerPoint used will be posted to www.wandohigh.com. For traffic information please see the enclosed map or view the Wando website for traffic information.

In addition to Freshman Orientation, rising ninth graders have several opportunities to participate in Wando summer camps. For more information on these camps including band, engineering and JROTC as well as the suggested summer reading assignments for all ninth graders, please visit www.wandohigh.com. Please note that some of the ninth grade honors and Advanced Placement courses have required summer work.

We look forward to seeing you on August 20, 2019. It is going to be a great year at Wando! Enjoy your summer.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sherry M. Eppelsheimer

Attachment