# Fox Chapel Area High School

CLASS OF 2028 PARENT NIGHT August 20, 2024

WELCOME!

**CLASS OF 2028 FAMILIES!** 

# You don't need to take notes or pictures tonight! We will email this presentation to all 9th grade parents and post on our website!

### FCAHS ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

### Dr. Michael Hower

Lead Principal

### Dr. Michelle Young

Program Principal (A-L)

### Dr. John McGee

Program Principal (M-Z)

### ALSO PRESENTING TONIGHT

### Mrs. Erin Butkovic

- Student Activities Director
- Science Teacher

### Mr. Timothy McLister

School Counselor (A-C)

# PURPOSE OF TONIGHT'S PRESENTATION

- To help parents better understand our programs, procedures, protocols, and expectations.
- To provide a snapshot of what to expect over the next four years
- To familiarize you with key FCAHS personnel and how they can provide help and support to your student.

# STUDENT/PARENT & STAFF COMMUNICATION

FCAHS strives to keep our parents/guardians informed:

- We send eblasts every other Friday. Look for "FCAHS Upcoming Events and Reminders" in your inbox.
- Be sure you have your correct email in the Ruvna system-check those
   Spam folders for FCAHS emails.
- Have a question for anything at the HS? Email: ASK\_FCAHS@FCASD.EDU
- We will answer you in a timely manner (often no more than 24 hours).
- Be sure to look at Schoology-lots of clubs/classes have groups where notifications are posted!

# FCAHS Parent/Guardian Involvement

- Mrs. Kate Vavpetic: PTO President
  - o PTO email: <a href="mailto:fcahspto611@gmail.com">fcahspto611@gmail.com</a>
  - First Meeting is 8/27 at 7pm
- Fox Families Care: info@foxfamiliescare.org

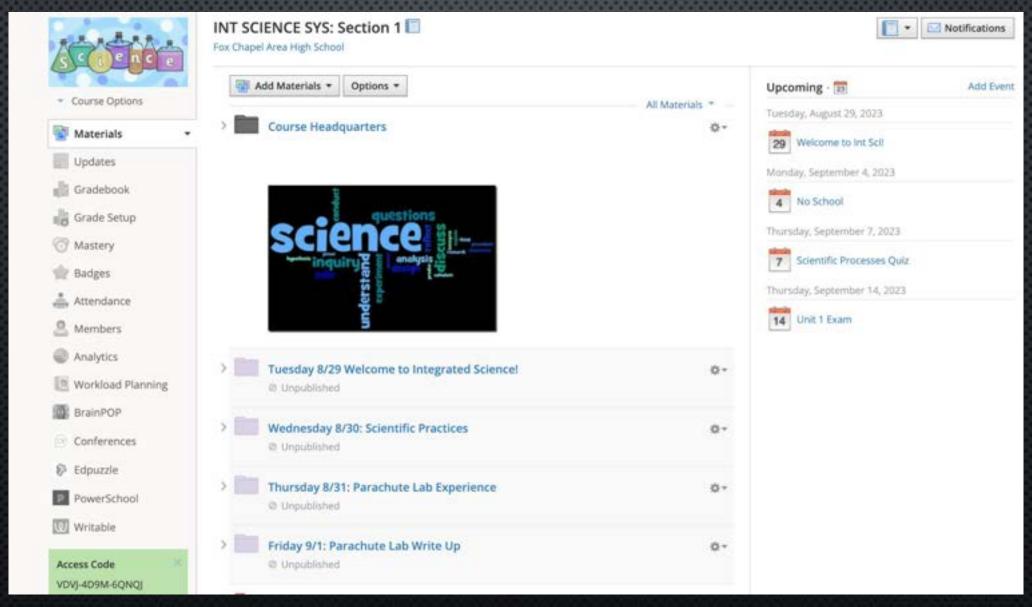
# FCAHS STUDENT LIFE Dr. McGEE MRS. BUTKOVIC

### SCHOOLOGY

This is our learning management system for the high school.

- Online resource for each of your student's classes
  - Calendar
  - Assignments
  - ACTIVITIES
  - STUDY GUIDES
  - Message system—send a message directly to the teacher
- Each parent can have an account. You create your own.
   Instructions are found on our HS website.
- $\bullet$  All students will be in a class of 2028 group for announcements, class specific information and an updated calendar.

# Sample Schoology Page



# POWERSCHOOL

- Parents can view their student's grades, assignments, test scores, etc.
- Your account stays the same as your student moved from DMS to FCAHS.
- Parents of students that are new to the district will have to create an account. Go to <a href="https://www.fcasd.edu">www.fcasd.edu</a> and look for the PowerSchool link.
- IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE WITH YOUR ACCOUNT, PLEASE CONTACT THE COMMUNITY HELP DESK.

### SAMPLE OF THE CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES AT FCAHS

- YEARBOOK
- TAPESTRY (LITERARY MAGAZINE)
- FOX TALES QUARTERLY
- MODEL UNITED NATIONS /SPEECH & DEBATE
- D.E.S.I.
- BUSKING CLUB
- •T.S.A. (TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ASSN)
- SKI CLUB

- HOSA
- FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)
- SPRING MUSICAL
- FALL PLAY/DRAMA CLUB
- STRATEGY CLUB
- SCIENCE FAIR CLUB
- MATH CLUB

### **HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?**

Any student interested in joining a club can sign up during:

CLUB WEEK September 16-20

During All Lunches

High School Commons and Cafeteria

Online Schoology Groups

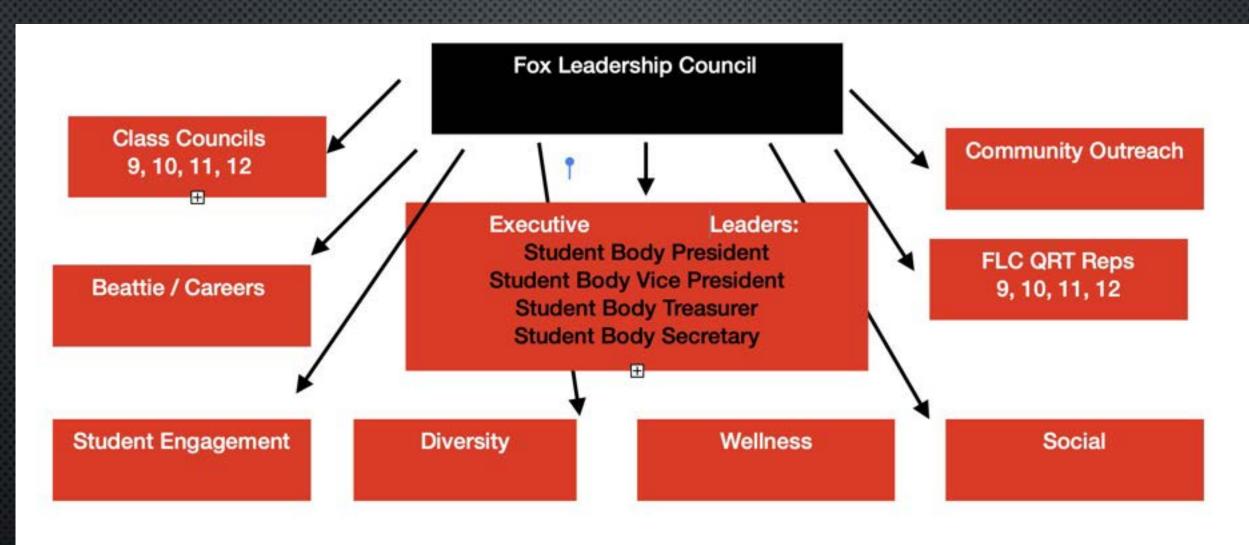
You can create your own club too!

### FOX LEADERSHIP COUNCIL INVOLVEMENT

### Our FLC is a great way get involved:

- FLC is the umbrella organization for all activities at FCAHS!
- Each class has a Class Council and leaders who work together on Class of 2028 fun!
- Any student can be a FLC rep to attend monthly FLC meetings.
- One overall FLC goal is to have connect many different student organizations.
- Meetings will be posted on HS calendar and Schoology calendar!

# FOX LEADERSHIP COUNCIL



# FCAHS SAFETY NETS

MANY PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP ALL OF OUR STUDENTS FIND SUCCESS.

- BACK ON TRACK T, W, AND TH 2:30-3:30 PM
- MATH HELP CENTER ROOM 251 7:00AM-END OF QRT
- Instructional Support Program
  - Testing Center
- SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAMS
- Remediation and Tutoring Programs
- National Honor Society Student Tutoring
- PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT STAFFINGS
- STUDENT SUPPORT TEAM (STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

# Learning Resource Center LRC

### **ROOM 238**

THE LRC IS COMMITTED TO THE BELIEF THAT ALL FCAHS STUDENTS SHOULD BE EMPOWERED TO CULTIVATE THE SKILLS, STRATEGIES, AND BEHAVIORS OF CONFIRENT, INDEPENDENT, LIFELONG LEARNERS. OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE OUR DIVERSE POPULATION WITH THE TOOLS NECESSARY FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER SUCCESS.

### LRC STUDENT SUPPORTS

- Organizational Strategies
- RESOURCES THAT DEMONSTRATES HOW TO TAKE NOTES
- STUDY STRATEGIES
  - MNEMONIC STRATEGIES
    - TEST TAKING TIPS
- TRANSITION AND CAREER COUNSELING
- STRATEGIES TO REDUCE STRESS & ANXIETY
- DISABILITIES AWARENESS GROUPS
- SELF-ADVOCACY LESSONS

# STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SAP TEAM)

PRIMARY GOAL OF THE STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS TO HELP STUDENTS
WORK THROUGH EDUCATIONAL BARRIERS INCLUDING PEER PRESSURE, MENTAL
HEALTH, DRUG AND ALCOHOL, ETC.

• Program also aids in helping students achieve academically, remain in school, and advance in their grade level.

• Parents are a part of the decision making process.

### **ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES**

# **FC QUEST**

### **Enrichment Opportunities for ALL Students**

QUEST stands for <u>Quality Enrichment Studies</u>. This program aims to help students maximize academic potential, showcase skills and talents, and explore career paths of interest.

#### Examples...



**FC Hacks** 



**Surgery Observation** 



Hometown High-Q



**Apprenticeships** 

Contact Lisa\_Gibson@fcasd.edu to receive our monthly newsletter!

# FCAHS Academic Program

Mr. McLister

- Students keep the same counselor for 4 years.
- Counselors are assigned by student's last name:
  - A-C: TIM McLISTER
  - D-G: John Baxter
  - H-K: Dana Papalia
  - L-O: Rachel Machen
  - P-S: BEN O'CONNOR
  - T-Z: TARA DECOMO
- Additional counselors include:
  - Dr. Stacie Dojonovic (Transition)
  - David Frazier (Mental Health / Drug and Alcohol)
- SUPPORT STAFF
  - Chris Andrews
  - Maria Helgert

# SCHOOL COUNSELING OFFICE

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#### POSTSECONDARY PLANS:

4 yr. college / 2 yr. college / Armed Service / Employment

Career Clusters of Interest:

# **ACADEMIC PLANNING**

- Your student's four year plan starts now:
- Graduation = 27 Credits
  - 8.5 Credits Electives (including 2 in Arts and Humanities)
  - 4 Credits English, Social Studies
  - 3 Credits Science, Math
  - 1.5 Credits Physical Education
  - 1 Credit Health
  - 1 Credit Proficiency on Keystone Exams
  - .5 Credit College & Career Essentials
  - GRADUATION PROJECT COMPLETION
  - Service Learning 12 Hours by End Of Junior Year

Please do not hesitate to contact school counselor to assist in academic / next steps planning!!!!



# FOX CHAPEL AREA HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULES

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PERIOD 2	9:31 – 10:54	9:46 - 11:01	9:55 – 11:08	10:35 – 11:25	8:31 – 9:16	8:53 – 9:54
PERIOD 3	11:00 – 12:54	11:06 - 1:01	11:14 – 1:08	11:30 – 1:30	9:22 – 10:07	11:06 – 1:00
A LUNCH	10:54 – 11:24	11:01 - 11:31	11:08 – 11:38	11:30 – 12:00		11:00 – 11:30
B LUNCH	11:24 – 11:54	11:31-12:01	11:38 – 12:08	12:00 – 12:30		11:30 – 12:00
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PERIOD 4	1:00 – 2:25	1:07 - 2:25	1:14 – 2:25	1:35 – 2:25	10:13 – 10:58	10:00-11:00

# QUALITY RESOURCE TIME (QRT)

- Time for students to get organized, finish homework, study, visit teachers for extra help.
- TIME FOR CLASS, CLUB AND ACTIVITY MEETINGS.
- Students typically have the same QRT teacher for grades 9-12.
- ATTENDANCE TAKEN STUDENTS MUST BE ON TIME!
- Career Exploration

# Proficiency, Act 158, SERVICE LEARNING & CULMINATING PROJECT

- (Proficiency) Keystone Exams:
  - STUDENTS MUST TAKE STATE EXAM AT END OF COURSE IN:
    - ALGEBRA I
    - BIOLOGY
    - LITERATURE (ENGLISH 10)
  - STUDENTS MUST DEMONSTRATE
    PROFICIENCY IN ORDER TO
    GRADUATE. WE WILL HELP EVERY
    STEP OF THE WAY...PLEASE DO NOT
    STRESS!!

- Service Learning
  - Students must complete 12 Hours.
  - Students are able to accrue hours starting freshman year
- Culminating Project
  - Builds yearly
  - Senior Project coordinator plus school counselors monitor
  - CAREER AND COLLEGE ESSENTIALS PAVES THE WAY!

# ACADEMIC OPTIONS BEYOND CORE CLASSES, AP, & FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES TO CONSIDER

- Multiple levels of study in all disciplines at the high school
  - Examples:
    - Drawing and Painting (Level I-V)
    - Accounting I & II
    - GRAPHICS AND ADVANCED GRAPHICS
    - Spanish I-VI
- 26 Advanced Placement Courses and 4
   College in High School (see Next slide)

- Future Opportunities
  - Beattle Vo-Tech
  - Study Abroad/Overseas
  - Early Graduation
  - EARLY COLLEGE ADMISSION
  - Concurrent College Enrollment
  - Professional Experience
  - Work Experience

# ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) AND COLLEGE IN THE HIGH SCHOOL (CHS)

### 26 AP Courses

- 2 ENGLISH
- 7 Social Studies
- 2 Computer
- 3 MATH
- 1 Music
- 2 ART
- 5 SCIENCE
- 4 LANGUAGE

### CHS Courses

University of Pittsburgh

SETON HILL UNIVERSITY

Duquense University

# FOX CHAPEL AREA ONLINE

- STARTING SOPHOMORE YEAR...
- Providing any time, any place learning
  - Cyber Courses
  - BLENDED COURSES
- Flexible Scheduling (Not just for FCAO)
  - EARLY CLASS PE ONLY
  - QRT
  - 1st Period with Late Start
  - 4<sup>TH</sup> PERIOD WITH EARLY RELEASE
  - 5<sup>TH</sup> PERIOD



# FCAHS Procedures and Protocols

Dr. Young

### **SCHOOL SAFETY**

### SAFETY PERSONNEL:

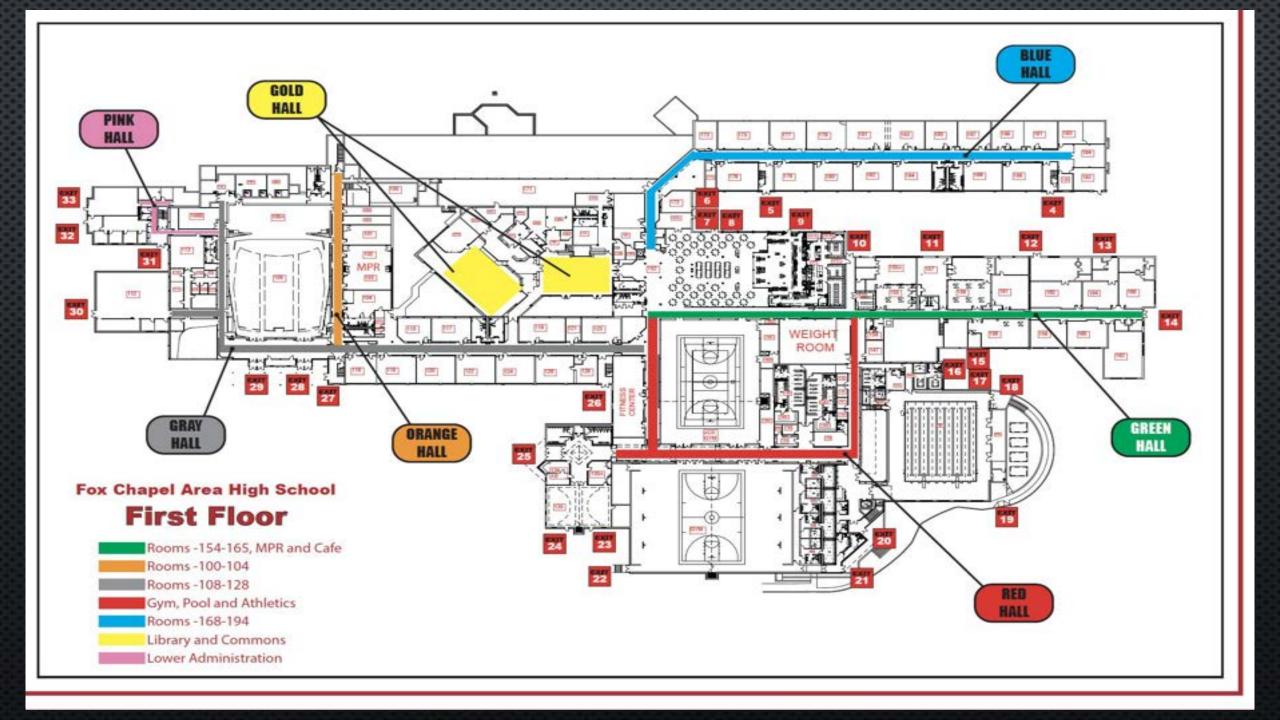
- FCASD SAFETY COORDINATOR: OFFICER JOE KOZARIAN
- Two School Resource Officers: Officer Joshua Dietz and Officer Stanley Bradish
- School Security Officer: Joe Abbott

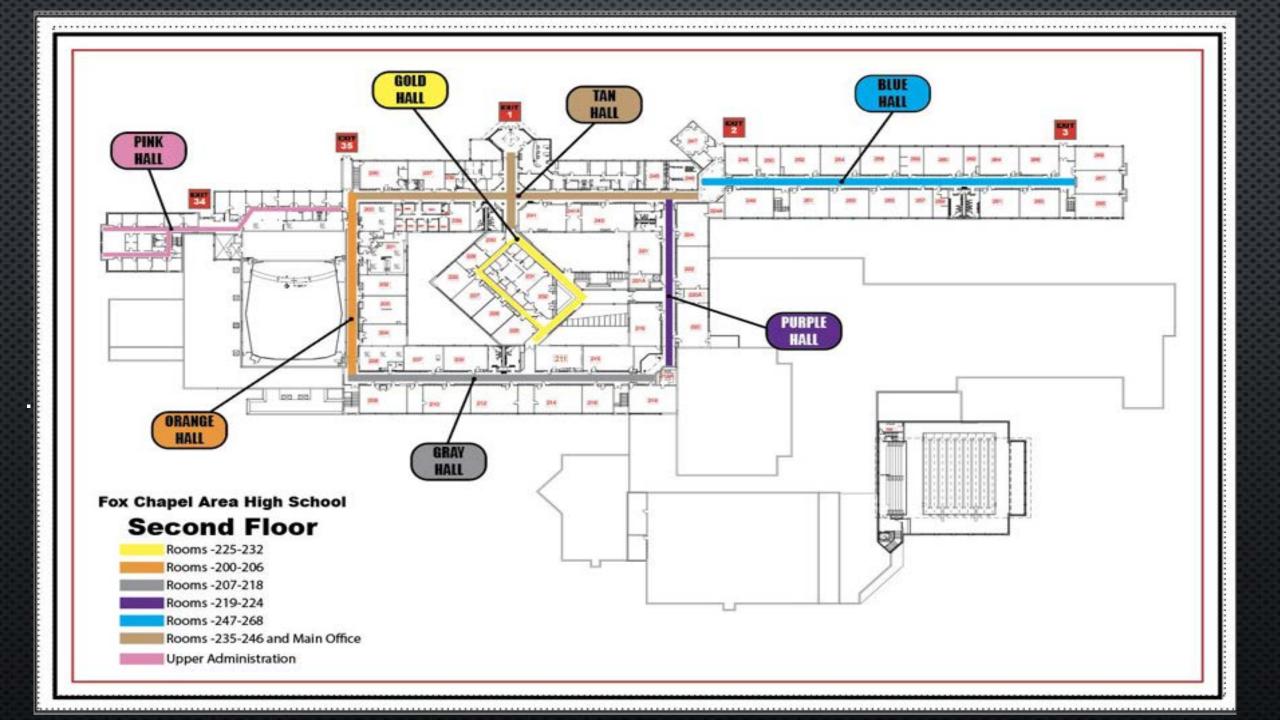
#### **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN**

- Monthly Evacuation drills
- FACULTY IS TRAINED IN RUN. HIDE. FIGHT.
- Regular safety, Lockdown, and Security Drills

Over 200 cameras inside and outside the building

Building locked during day. Entry only at front door through main office. ID required.

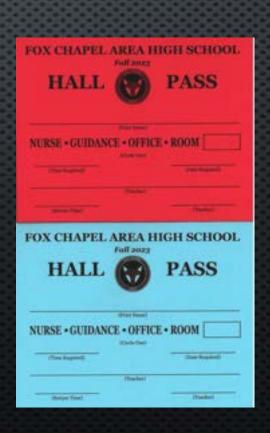




# **Building Hall/Restroom Passes**

- Restroom Passes: Color Hallway Specific
- Hall Passes: Person, Place, Area Specific





### SCHOOL NURSE

MRS. ERIN REBISH

• Ext. 2450

EMERGENCY CARE CARD - LINK SENT IN SUMMER MAILING - POWERSCHOOL UPDATE

- Allows for parental permission for OTC medication to be administered.
- Updated emergency contact information (includes early dismissal due to illness)
- Provide school nurse with updated health information

Permission Form to allow school nurse to administer medications

• FCASD.EDU>STUDENT SUPPORT>HEALTH SERVICES>FORMS

# ATTENDANCE

#### ATTENDANCE COORDINATOR

• Mr. Roger Sullenberger, Ext. 4415

#### ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

- Student must return excuse within 3 days upon returning to school.
  - Absence reason submitted electronically through Powerschool Parent Portal (New 2024-2025)
  - Handwritten reason submitted to main office
- Excuses must be signed by parents.
- Parents can excuse up to 10 days per year for sickness or religious holidays.
- ALL OTHER ABSENCES MUST BE EXCUSED BY DOCTOR.

It is the student's responsibility to check into QRT on time.

State code requires schools to file truancy charges after the 3rd unexcused absence.

### DISCIPLINE

### PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE PLAN

- Level 1 through Level 4
- EXCESSIVE DISCIPLINE INCREASES LEVEL
- EVERY DISCIPLINE INFRACTION GOES ON STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL RECORD

### **FIGHTING**

• Participation = 3 day suspension & charges may be filed

### Drugs or Alcohol

- Possession or Under Influence = 10 day suspension and charges may be filed
- Must complete FCASD Drug and Alcohol policy for reinstatement

### **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

- Students are permitted to bring personal electronic devices to school.
- Students are responsible for the safety and security of their own devices.
- Personal devices are not to be used in the classroom unless Permitted by the teacher.
- Teachers may confiscate personal devices for instructional purposes or disciplinary (if necessary). Available for parent pick up at the end of the day.

### LOCKS & LOCKERS

- Students are to keep lockers closed and locked when not in use.
- STUDENTS MUST USE THEIR ASSIGNED LOCKER AND SCHOOL PROVIDED LOCK.
- If STUDENT LOSES THEIR LOCK, REPLACEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE FOR \$10.
- No expectation of privacy. Refer to parent/student handbook for more information.

### DRESS CODE

### Please see Parent/Student Handbook (online)

- Highlights:
  - No HEADWEAR WITHOUT ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL
  - CLOTHING IS RECOMMENDED TO COVER AREAS FROM ONE ARMPIT ACROSS TO THE OTHER ARMPIT, DOWN APPROXIMATELY 3-4 INCHES IN LENGTH TO THE UPPER THIGHS. OVERLY EXPOSED AREAS OF THE RECOMMENDED COVERINGS ARE PROHIBITED. MIDRIFF SHOULD BE LIMITED TO IMMEDIATELY ABOVE THE BELLY BUTTON.
  - OBSCENE, PROFANE LANGUAGE, REFERENCES TO ALCOHOL OR ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES (INCLUDING PICTURES AND WORDS), OR PROVOCATIVE PICTURES ON CLOTHING OR JEWELRY, AND CLOTHING WITH DOUBLE-MEANING PHRASES ARE PROHIBITED.

### AM DROP OFF & PM PICK UP

### **AM DROP OFF**

- Front of school, Please pull forward
- Recommended arrival before 7:20 am

### PM PICK UP

- Front of school, Please pull forward
- School is dismissed at 2:25 pm

### **OPEN HOUSE**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH @ 7:00 PM

- OPPORTUNITY FOR PARENTS TO FOLLOW THEIR STUDENTS'
   SCHEDULE AND MEET THEIR TEACHERS
- Not a parent/teacher conference
- OPTIONAL PRE-SESSIONS BEGIN AT 6:00 WITH A VARIETY
   OF INFORMATION FOR PARENTS
- MORE INFORMATION WILL BE EMAILED TO ALL PARENTS

### THANK YOU

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE IN UNDER PORTICO AT THIS TIME

• Utilize <u>ask\_fcahs@fcasd.edu</u> for any individual questions you may have or email your student's school counselor/program principal

Have a great four years at FCAHS!

# SESSION ROTATION

- ACADEMIC PROGRAM (LGI)
  - STUDENT LAST NAMES A-G



STUDENT LAST NAMES H-O



STUDENT LAST NAMES P-Z

### COVID-19

- MASKS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES IN BUILDING EXCEPT WHEN EATING LUNCH.
- Water fountains will not be available. Students are advised to bring drinks. No food in classroom
- Social Distancing, hand sanitizing, etc. to be reinforced every day
- PROTOCOLS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

### DAILY SCHEDULE

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