

Early College High School @ Delaware State *dream BIG dreams* University

July 17, 2017

Greetings Hornet Students and Parents/Guardians!

We hope that everyone is having a relaxing summer! The start of our 2017-18 school year is almost here! We want you to get ready, so here is some important information for you:

Fall Sports Scholar Athlete-Parent Meeting

- On August 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., we will have a Fall Sports Scholar Athlete-Parent Meeting in the Multi-Purpose Room for anyone who is planning on playing a fall sport: Volleyball (Girls), Soccer (Boys), Cross Country (Boys & Girls).
- No student can participate in practice (August 15, 2017 is the first day) unless they have participated in this Scholar-Athlete meeting and **have a current DIAA physical on file** with the school. Please check with the School Nurse, Kate Krieger at Kathryn.krieger@echs.k12.de.us should you have a question.
- Please contact Athletic Director, Mr. Tim Yancy at timothy.yancy@echs.k12.de.us should you have any questions.

Music Rental Night

If you are a 9th grader planning to play in the ECHS band this year and do not have an instrument, B & B Music will be at ECHS on Monday, August 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria to discuss instrument rental or about purchasing instruments at a discounted rate.

Staff Professional Development

August 14-16, 2017: Staff will be in Meetings/Workshops from 8-4 each day.

Welcome Back/Welcome Home Night

- August 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Grade 9 ONLY
- August 14, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. Grade 10 ONLY
- August 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Grade 11 ONLY
- August 15, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. Grade 12 ONLY
- Each grade will have a welcome for parents and students. Please come at your grade's designated time, as there will be special information for each grade level. Parents and Students will receive schedules, obtain supply lists for your teachers, be able to hand in information, fill out forms, etc.

- Parents will receive Home Access Center (HAC) Logins and Schoology Logins as well as demonstrations of how to use both.
- In addition, **new logistical information** will be shared regarding having 10-11-12 grades on campus this year (Sign-in, Sign-out, Drop-Off, etc).
- **Grades 11 & 12:** There will be a special program regarding the College Application and Financial Aid process from **\$tand by Me**. (Newly Revised Transcripts will be distributed at that time).
- If you cannot attend the session for your grade, the information will not be available until Monday, August 21, 2017. Please contact Dr. Edney at evelyn.edney@echs.k12.de.us should you have any questions.

Student Leadership Retreat

- On Thursday, August 17, 2017 from 8-3, all **officers** (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian) of Student Council, of each grade, and of the National Honor Society will receive leadership training and help to organize school events.
- In addition, students who signed up to help with the Freshmen Orientation will receive training from 8-3. No additional help is needed at this time, so only those who signed up should attend the retreat.
- Please contact Student Activities Coordinator, Mrs. Savage at dara.savage@echs.k12.de.us should you have any questions.

Student Orientation

All grade levels will have an orientation program on their official first day of school. Please only report on your designated day (or if you are assisting and have approval from Dr. Edney):

- 9th Grade August 21-24, 2017 at ECHS
- New 10th Graders August 23, 2017 at ECHS
- All 10th, 11th, 12th Graders August 25, 2017 at DSU
- All Grades August 28, 2017

Please contact Dr. Edney should you have any questions.

Summer Academic Projects

- **Seniors** (Class of 18) Capstone Summer Packets are due on Friday, August 25, 2017 when you arrive in your Advisory Class. Please be sure your name is on the packet.
- **Juniors** (Class of 19) Summer Reading Project are due on Friday, August 25, 2017 when you arrive in your Advisory Class. Please be sure your name is on both your summary packet and on your project.
- **Sophomores** (Class of 2020) Study Island Math and Reading Online Projects will conclude at 8:00 a.m. o Friday, August 25, 2017. You should be finished all course work and post-tests by that time.

Parking

Juniors and Seniors, please email Mr. Timothy Yancy to let him know if you will be driving to school this year. Parking applications and passes will first be available at the Junior-Senior Welcome Back/Welcome Home Night on Tuesday, August 17, 2016.

Bus Transportation

Bus Lists will be posted on the school's website the first week of August. Please be sure to check your stop. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Yancy at timothy.yancy@echs.k12.de.us.

School Day

The school day time has changed for the 2017-18 school year. School will begin (Students in first period classes seated and ready to go) at 8:00 a.m. and will conclude at 3:30 p.m. Breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. each day. Buses will drop upperclassmen off at DSU first and then will proceed to ECHS to drop off the freshmen each day. Buses will pick up at ECHS first at the conclusion of the school day and then proceed to DSU.

Drop Off/Pick-up

- For 9th grade parents driving students to school, the ECHS drop-off/pick-up location is at the cafeteria and NOT the front of the school where the buses drop off and pick up. We do not want accidents occurring with cars and buses and students.
- For upperclassmen parents driving students to school, the DSU drop-off/pick-up location is at the Jenkins Hall Parking Lot just after the tennis courts. Note: Buses will also be dropping off and picking up in that location. Please proceed carefully.

Freshmen Technology Fee

A reminder to incoming Freshmen Parents and new tenth grade students, your \$100 technology fee is due prior to the student receiving the computer on the first day of school. Please send your check made payable to ECHS to Mr. Tim Yancy, Operations Manager, 1570 North DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901. Should you have questions, please contact Mr. Yancy at timothy.yancy@echs.k12.de.us or 302-678-3247.

Broadcasted Phone/Email Messages

My Sunday Night Calls with reminder announcements will be resuming soon. Remember that they will usually be on Sunday nights at 8:00 p.m. Reminder email blasts will also go out at times. Be sure we have your most up-to-date email address in our system by contacting Mrs. Amoscita Rodriguez at Amoscita.rodriguez@echs.k12.de.us or 302678-3247.

Well, that is all we have for now. We will see you all soon at the Welcome Back/Welcome Home Nights in August. Please be sure to contact us should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Evelyn A. Edney, Ed.D.
Principal