



## Hopewell Valley Central High School

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Dear Members of the Class of 2019:

Your senior year has arrived! As you look back on your last three years of high school, you may be amazed at how quickly time has passed. This year should be no exception. With that in mind, it is my hope that you will make this year your best ever. Throughout this year you will make many important decisions which will begin to shape your future. Work hard and continue to participate in school activities. This is your senior year, enjoy it!

Student schedules will be available on OnCourse on the evening of Wednesday, August 22nd. New students may not have access to OnCourse for their schedules. This year you will notice the inclusion of a Recitation period, between 2nd and 3rd session, for all students. The purpose of the Recitation period is for all students to have access to additional help during the school day. More information will be shared with you during the opening days in September.

Construction on the high school is continuing into the fall. Please be aware that the temporary main office is located in the hallway off of the back solar lot. Students should enter the building through the bus loop doors between 7:00am-7:45am, or through the PAC entrance and the 300 hall entrance from 7:00am - 2:45pm, until construction is completed. Once our construction is complete, all students will use the new main entrance to access the building.

Your first day of school will be **Thursday, September 6th**. All students are to report at the regular time of 7:45 a.m. This is a full day for all students. **Students should wear their student IDs and have a copy of their schedule with them on the first day of school. All students will be required to wear their ID so it is visible each day in school.** Lanyards and ID cases will be provided for all students on the first day of school. **Charged chromebooks should also be brought to school on the first day.**

As part of the new district policy 5538 R regarding Random Student Screening, all students planning to participate in athletics, take part in extracurricular clubs or activities, or park on campus must now complete the [Random Drug Testing Consent form](#). All students who have already received a parking pass need to return the consent form along with their parking pass to get an updated pass for this year. Any student who has not yet gotten their parking pass should complete the parking application and the consent form. All completed forms

should be brought to Mrs. Franz in the VP office. Any student who does not return the form and receive an updated parking pass will be prohibited from parking on campus effective September 18th.

Please report to your period one class on Thursday, September 6th. **If you have Senior Option listed on your schedule, you are to report to the cafeteria at that time for a mandatory information session. Attendance will be taken.** On Friday, September 7th, we will begin our rotating drop period schedule with an "A" day.

Students who are new to Central High School are invited to attend a new students' orientation on Wednesday, September 5, from 7:45 to 10:45 a.m., and the Freshman/New Students' Pizza and Ice Cream Party on Tuesday, September 4 at 5:00 p.m. in the old gym for students and their parents. New seniors should see Mrs. Franz in the VP office for a student ID.

Most senior portraits were taken last spring. Those seniors who did not sit for senior portraits last May will be automatically scheduled this fall. **Senior portrait sessions will be held on September 26, 27 and 28, during the school day.** If you want to schedule a retake, please contact Lors Photography directly at 908-964-0847.

We are encouraging all of our seniors to complete parking and senior option forms prior to the start of school. These forms can be located in the [Virtual Backpack](#) on the CHS page of the district website. Students should register their cars as soon as possible and immediately begin to park in their assigned spots. If you handed in your parking forms already, please pick up your parking tag in the VP office.

Soon after school begins, we will have a class meeting to discuss the upcoming school year and other items of special interest to seniors. Until then, enjoy the rest of the summer. We're looking forward to welcoming all of our students back in September. I hope you have a wonderful senior year!

Sincerely,

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