



CROTON-HARMON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear CHHS Students and Parents/Guardians:

On behalf of the faculty and staff, welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! We hope you had a wonderful, relaxing, and fun summer and that you are refreshed and ready to come back.

We have been working all summer along with the secretarial and custodial staff to prepare for a successful opening of school. As you may have seen driving or walking by the school, we had a great deal of construction over the summer including a brand new floor for the main gym (which is still in progress as we write this!), some added air conditioning in certain parts of the building, new safety features including telephones in all classes, a new fire alarm system, and much more. Our custodial staff worked tirelessly to make sure the building is safe, clean, and ready for us amidst all of the construction.

The first day of school for all students is **Tuesday, September 3, 2019**. Enclosed is a copy of our special bell schedule for the first day of school. Please note that the BOCES tech program will begin on Wednesday, September 4, 2019. Freshmen and their Big Buddies will arrive at school at 7:50 on September 3. So that we can offer the freshmen time alone in the building for a brief orientation, we ask that 10th-12th graders who are not serving as Big Buddies arrive at school by **10:00 AM**. If you are taking the bus, you will be picked up as if you were on a 2-hour delay schedule. When you arrive at school, you will start the day in your CHAP groups.

After CHAP, the entire school will come together in the auditorium for a welcome, to meet new faculty, and to reacquaint yourselves with people and resources in the building. After the assembly, we will follow an abbreviated A-Day schedule (enclosed). Wednesday, September 4 will be a B day and so on.

Please note that all required forms and other grade level information are available electronically by going to the high school website <http://www.chufsd.org/Domain/298>. Please review each document and return those requiring a signature to the main office.

We hope that the start to the new school year has you feeling as energized as we are. Our hope is that you will use the start of a new year to push out of your comfort zone and try something new. If you are a sophomore returning after your first year, perhaps you will join that club or sport that you did not think you had time for. If you are a junior, perhaps you will think about what kind of community service you want to commit to. If you are a senior, you might be thinking about your legacy and how you want to spend your last year at CHHS. We hope that you all will take steps this year that will help you grow in the areas of our profile of a graduate by being open to opportunities for critical thinking and problem solving, creativity and innovation, collaboration and communication, flexibility and adaptability, empathy, and initiative and self-direction.

We look forward to an exciting year together.

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Enclosure