



2020-2021

## High School Student Orientation Guide

### Important Information

- Every morning, please refer to the **Student Return to School Flowchart** to determine whether or not your child should attend school. The flowchart can be found on the school district's website under site shortcuts.
- Doors will open at 7:45AM
  - All students will be required to wear a school appropriate mask on the bus and throughout the school day.
  - High School students will enter through the Main Lobby.
  - All students will participate in a temperature check before reporting directly to Homeroom.
  - All students will receive a clear water bottle that may be carried with them to hydrate throughout the school day. Only clear water bottles are permitted to be used in school.
  - Backpacks will be used throughout the day in lieu of locker use (this will be revisited throughout the school year). Initially, lockers will NOT be used.
    - Athletes will be permitted to keep equipment bags in the designated area. (Location TBD)
  - Students will be considered LATE if they arrive at homeroom after 8:15AM.
  - All students will remain in their homeroom until the 2nd period bell rings. At that time students will be dismissed in waves based on graduating year. (Ex. Bell 1, Seniors and Juniors, Bell 2, Sophomores and Freshmen)
  - Breakfast will be delivered to each individual homeroom.

### Student Handbook & School Policies

- The Student Handbook, Internet Acceptable Use Policy, as well as the MASD Policy Manual can be reviewed online on the Meyersdale Area School District webpage.
- The signoff sheet as well as an updated biographical sheet was sent home in the mail. Additional copies can be obtained in the high school office.

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## Chromebooks

- All chromebook insurance documents must be signed and payment received before chromebooks will be issued to students.
  - Please see Ginger Geiger if you need another copy of the paperwork.

## Electronic Device

- Cell phones should not be used or seen starting at 8:15AM or when students enter morning homeroom. Student cell phones may not be used or seen throughout the school day with the exception of the 30 minute student lunch.
- If you have an emergency please see Mr. Wiltrout, Mrs. Arnold or go to the Main Office and ask permission to make or receive a phone call.

## Student Drivers & Passengers

- Student drivers must complete all student driver forms and be on the list of approved drivers. During this school year student driver fees are waived.
- Any student riding as a passenger with a student driver must have written permission to do so. Passenger forms are available in the high school office.
  - Exception:
    - Parents or Legal Guardians
    - Student drivers hauling siblings
- Any student walking home from school must be on the list of approved "walkers".
- Seat Belts must be used in the parking lot prior to leaving school grounds.

## Wellness Plan

- School Parties
  - All items must be pre-approved.
  - Packed lunches are not affected.
  - Students are to bring in prepackaged items with a list of the ingredients on ONLY.
  - Items labeled that they *MAY* contain any type of nut are prohibited.
  - Items labeled "*produced in a factory that also produces nut products*" are permitted.
  - Students are not permitted to bring any item that is homemade.

## Notes from the School Counselor

- All schedule changes must be made during the 1st week of school! If you attempt to drop a class after the 1st week of school, it will show up as an "F" on your transcript.
- Please be sure to provide us with a parent/guardian email address to ensure your parent/guardian receives the latest updates and happenings at MAHS.
  - Watch for newsletters and important information being mailed home or sent home from school.
- STUDENTS: CHECK YOUR EMAIL OFTEN!
- Reach out to faculty and administration regarding your concerns so they can be addressed in a timely manner.

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- Seek additional resources and help from your School Counselor at any time.
    - Mrs. Arnold's office is in B22-A, you may also email her at [carnold@masd.net](mailto:carnold@masd.net) or call (814)634-8311 ext. 305.

## **2020-2021 Bell Schedule**

Homeroom: 7:45-8:20AM  
Late Bell: 8:15AM

2nd period: 8:25-9:06AM

3rd period: 9:11-9:52AM

4th period: 9:57-10:38AM

5th period 1st Lunch: 10:43-11:13AM  
5th period 2nd Lunch: 11:23-11:53AM

6th period: 11:57AM-12:38PM

7th period: 12:42-1:23PM

8th period: 1:27-2:08PM

9th period 2:12-2:53PM

