

DUCHESNE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents:

This summer has been going by very quickly and it is hard to believe we are just about to start school. If you have any questions about the start of the year, please call the Main Office (636-946-6767) or visit the website for answers. We have tried to put everything you might need at the start of the year under the "Start of School" button. On that page you will find the *Student-Parent Handbook*, Try-out information, At-A-Glance Calendar, forms, and iPad information.

We have made some policy changes in the *Student-Parent Handbook* for this year. Below is a list of notable modifications. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Mr. Kurt Clodius, the Dean of Student Services. I would also ask that you please review the Academic Honesty Statement (p. 15) and the Acceptable Use Policy (p. 34) with your student before the start of school.

• Tardy to School:

o Students who are not present by the end of Communio or after the second period when Comunnio does not meet, but are at school the rest of the day are considered tardy. They must first report to the Main Office to check in and receive an admit pass. There will be no excused tardy to school except when a student is late due to a doctor or dental appointment. In those instances, students need to present a signed note from the doctor or dentist indicating the date and time of the appointment when they arrive (p. 19).

• Cafeteria Conduct:

o During lunch service, iPads or any other electronic devices are not allowed to be used in the cafeteria. During this time the Cafeteria is considered an e-free zone (p. 25).

• Hair/Shaving:

O All hair must be neatly trimmed, clean and combed. Hairstyles, which draw excessive attention to oneself (e.g., unusual color or style) are not allowed and handled on an individual basis. Boys faces must be clean-shaven, anyone not clean-shaven will be asked to do so at school. A repeat offense may result in the student being asked to shave as well as receiving a detention (p.33).

• Electronic Devices:

o Cell phones, wifi hotspots, and any other non-approved electronic devices should be turned off and stored in a locker or backpack while school is in session (p. 34).

Please let us know if we can help answer any questions. I am looking forward to seeing all of the students next week and all of the parents on Back to School night on August 27.

Thank you for all of your support,

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