

Dear Families,

We hope this summer has provided you with an opportunity to spend time with your loved ones, rest, and, and recharge for the fall semester. We have enjoyed our time away this summer, but we are looking forward to the new school year. We are writing to you today to share with you some important information intended to help you prepare for school this fall. As you are aware, Dolores Secondary students were not permitted to use lockers for the majority of the school year last year, which caused us to have to ease our restrictions in certain areas, such as bags in classrooms, and cell phones in classrooms. For the upcoming school year we will once again adhere to the cell phone and school bag rules discussed below. We have also placed the District Dress Code below to provide you with a reference as you shop for school clothes this summer.

**1) Lockers** – Lockers will be assigned by the office to all high school students. Students are not allowed to share lockers unless assigned by the school. All lockers are school property and subject to search at any time. Lockers assignments will be given during HS Orientation. *\*Note - All lockers must remain locked throughout the day.*

**2) Backpacks/Bags** - Students will not be permitted to have backpacks/bags in classrooms. Students are expected to keep their backpacks/bags locked in a school-provided locker or vehicle during school.

### **3) General School Supplies List -**

- 3 ring binder (w/zipper enclosure if available)
- Dividers
- (2) Composition Notebooks
- Pen/Pencil bag
- Pencils (wooden or mechanical)
- Ruler (3 hole punched for binder)
- Colored Pencils
- Scientific Calculator for MS and HS, if taking math class below Algebra II (ie: Texas Instrument TI30)
- College ruled loose leaf paper
- (1) Graph paper packet

*\*Some teachers will require additional supplies for their specific subject areas. These items will be noted in the syllabus for each course. Syllabi will be given to students at orientation the week prior to school starting.*

**4) Cell Phones/Electronic/Technology Equipment (JICJ)** – Students may have their cell phones and other electronics on campus, however, they may only use their device(s) (including cell phones, ipods, smart watches, and listening devices such as earbuds, headphones and smart watches) before school and after school. At all other times when the student is on campus (including passing time, recess and lunch), devices must be turned off and put away in the student's locker or vehicle. If the student has a smart watch, it **MUST BE IN TIME MODE ONLY**. The school is not responsible for lost or stolen cell phones or other devices.

**5) Dress Code (JICA)** - *The following is intended to provide clarification and interpretation for the application of the District's Dress Code Policy.*

- Reasonable cleanliness of clothing is expected as a matter of general health and welfare.
- To avoid injury and disease, shoes, sandals, or boots must be worn in the buildings.
- Beach or swim wear is inappropriate.
- Undergarments worn as outer garments are inappropriate.
- Shorts, dresses, skirts or other similar clothing must **NOT** be shorter than mid-thigh length, 4 inches above the knee.

- Clothing with holes front and back must **NOT** show skin above the 4 in mark.
- Sheer, tight, or low-cut clothing (ie: crop tops, halter tops, backless clothing, tube tops, garments made of fishnet, mesh or similar material, muscle tops, etc) that bare or expose private parts of the body including, but not limited to the stomach, buttocks, back and breasts(cleavage) are inappropriate.
- Clothing should cover the stomach (If the student raises their arms above their head and skin is exposed, the shirt is deemed inappropriate for school).
- Dress that causes or is likely to cause disruption of the educational process is prohibited.
- Tank top straps must be 1.5 inches in width. Spaghetti straps, strapless and one shoulder tops are not allowed.
- Wearing apparel that interferes with or endangers the student while he/she is participating in classroom or other school-sponsored activities is prohibited. The decision as to the safety or unsuitability of the clothing is a matter for the instructor's or school administrator's judgment.
- No blankets or pillows in classrooms
- Hats may **NOT** be worn inside school buildings.
- Hoods may **NOT** be worn inside school buildings.
- Sunglasses may **NOT** be worn inside school buildings.
- Any manner of grooming or apparel, including clothing, jewelry, hats, emblems, tattoos and badges, which by virtue of color, arrangement, trademark, or other attribute is associated with or denotes membership in or affiliation with any gang, or promotes alcohol, drug use, other illegal or sexual activity, will not be allowed. The prohibition on the aforementioned apparel shall be applied at the discretion of building-level administrators after consultation with the superintendent or designee as the need arises at individual schools.

**6) High School Orientation** - During HS Orientation students will be given their schedules, assigned lockers, get course syllabi from their teachers, and students and parents will have an opportunity to meet their teachers. Here is the schedule -

- **Date** - August 12th
- **Location** - Cafeteria
- **Time** - 1pm-4pm

If you have any questions about the information shared with you above please do not hesitate to call or email. Our Secondary Office will open on August 2nd.

Best Regards,



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