



Jean Ribault Senior High School

Home of the Mighty Trojans

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To the Trojan Families,

I start every school year with mixed emotions, and it has heightened this year. The first day back for teachers and school staff marks the end of summer, which could be bittersweet, and this year is being affected by COVID 19. The world is a dramatically different place than it was just months ago, but I am happy to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year!

We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our students will achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in these trying times, students need support from both the home and school. At Jean Ribault High School, our goal is to strengthen our bond, knowing it will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our students' success and want you to know that we will do our absolute best to carry out our responsibilities.

I want to assure you that during these uncertain times, you can count on us

- ▶ To keep you informed,
- ▶ To address your concerns,
- ▶ To ensure that your son or daughter has the tools necessary to be successful,
- ▶ To provide the highest quality education, no matter the platform.

Please know that decisions made daily are in the best interest of our students to ensure their safety. Due to the pandemic, most meetings this year will be virtual, including but not limited to parent-school counselor meetings, orientation, senior parent night, etc.

Our first day of school will be Thursday, August 20, 2020, and the first bell will ring at 7:15am. There will be several major adjustments as we navigate through the school year. Firstly, the actual school day will be different as Jean Ribault moves to a 7-period day with 50-minute classes. Secondly, please note all students and visitors on campus must wear a face mask/face covering. Thirdly, students will not be allowed to wear a hat or hood on campus at any time for safety reasons and identification purposes.

Students that do the face-to face hybrid will come two days a week based on their cohort from August 20th through September 14th. On September 15th, all students will return full time. All 9th and 12th graders will attend school in person on Monday and Thursday and do virtual instruction on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. All 10th and 11th graders will attend on Tuesday and Friday in person and will complete virtual instruction other Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. To ensure success, it is important that your son or daughter attend classes daily (face to face and virtual). Virtual lessons will take place during the student's scheduled period; therefore, all students will need to be logged in for the duration of the school day (7:25-2:10) and will "change classes" in Teams at the designated times. Students who have selected to enroll in Duval Homeroom will receive virtual instruction 5 days a week and are also required to be logged in for the duration of the school day. times. They will "switch classes" at the designated times also.

Orientation will be virtual and held by grade level. Please join us via the following links on Monday August 10, 2020:

- ▶ 12th grade (9:00-10:00 am): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/254540613>
- ▶ 11th grade (10:30-11:30 am): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/223668781>
- ▶ 10th grade (12:00-1:00 pm): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/815808661>
- ▶ 9th grade (1:30-2:30 pm): <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/627321797>

The teachers, staff, and I will work hard to continue the legacy of success established at Jean Ribault High School by building strong relationships with parents, students, and community partners.

I want to thank all of you for your patience and support as we navigate the new uncharted territory of this COVID-19 pandemic crisis. I hope each of you will join me in committing to making this the best year yet for our students at Jean Ribault High School. I also know how difficult it becomes as we deal with the many challenges we face daily. Nonetheless, my promise is to work alongside you through good times and challenging times this school year.

We are a community- We're in this together..."Trojan Strong"

Educationally,

Dr. Gregory D. Bostic
Principal and Head Trojan