

# Middle & High School Parent Café



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## Schedule and Class Structures

- **Where to find the links to the classes?**
  - All links are found in the schedules in the google homeroom  
(See schedule)
- **What is the homeroom situation?**
  - Homeroom time is not scheduled during virtual settings but there is a homeroom classroom dedicated to class information
- **How does the Wednesdays schedule work?**
  - Wednesday schedule on the general schedule
  - Mix of live sessions and recorded sessions
  - Students should watch recorded sessions, before, between, after live sessions



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- **Why do Wednesday classes last 35 minutes ?**
  - Focus was placed on 90 minute blocks for core subjects on Mon, Tues, Th, Fri
  - Reduce the time spent by students in front of the computer
  - Elective teacher ability to spend some live time with each class on rotation
- **Gaps between classes on Wednesdays?**
  - Schedule constraints: Rotation with 4 different subjects and 14 homerooms (virtual and pre-recorded classes)



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- **Break times - 10 minutes of break between each class**
  - 90 minutes (including 10 mins break)
    - 60 minutes for lunch
    - 25-35 mins of direct instruction (at once or in intervals)
    - 30 mins of homework, independent work
- **6th grade Spanish**
  - Finalizing hire for a new Spanish teacher
  - Providing relevant activities in the interim



## Google Classrooms and Google Meets

- **How to setup to receive the summary from Google classrooms?**
  - In progress :
    - Parents will receive an invitation from teachers to join Google classrooms (parents have to accept invitation)
    - LFNO will provide a short tutorial to activate notifications



## Google Classrooms and Google Meets

- **Why are classes not using breakout rooms?**
  - Google classrooms and meets works with extensions
  - Extensions such as Attendance - Breakout rooms....
  - Awaiting (and checking frequently for) this extension
  - Workarounds are not always easy to implement
  - Release date for extensions: October
- **How can my child best communicate with the teachers?**
  - Chat box
  - Raising hands
  - Email after class



## **Google Classrooms and Google Meet**

- **Why are grades not posted in Google Classroom?**
  - Grades are not added in Google Classrooms
  - Grades and attendance are entered in Powerschool
- **I do not have access to Powerschool**
  - LFNO is no longer using Unified Classroom
  - Access and instructions to Powerschool will be mailed to families next week
  - Teachers will send you an email if your child is falling behind (D or F)



## Curriculum contents

- **Will students be behind on content or curriculum?**
  - Students are often at various levels of mastery of grade level content
  - Teachers are adept at meeting students where they are and moving them towards academic goals
- **Academic support: how does it work?**
  - New Academic Support structure began September 14th
  - Students see the same teacher every week to support students in Math/ELA/French/ Science and in Advisory
  - Link to academic support in schedule and in their google classroom





## Curriculum contents

- **What is advisory?**

- Content taught by our School Counselor
- Organizational skills, social emotional learning, High Resolve curriculum, adolescent wellbeing unit

- **Clubs: what and when?**

- Once we return to in person learning we will reassess staff availability

- **10th grade: when will AP classes start?**

- Students are enrolled in French AP class since the beginning of the school year



- **How do we access curriculum for each class?**
  - Each teacher has their syllabus posted on the Google Classroom
- **Is PE a Health class or Physical education?**
  - Physical Education class part of the French required curriculum at all grades, and is assessed in the Bacalaureat and covers wellbeing and health topics
  - PE and Health are required classes for the Louisiana high school diploma



## Extra Curriculars

- Student Council - process rolled out to students next week
- Spirit Week - possibly a virtual version in October
- School Dances - to be planned by Student Council, as possible
- International Travel Plans - spring 2021 trip to France delayed due to Covid
- National Junior Honor Society - plans for induction coming soon



## Johnson On-Campus School Updates

- A survey will be coming soon regarding family preferences
- At this point, a hybrid system (as described this summer) would begin for term 2
- Details will be shared with families in October
- There will continue to be an option for families to remain in the virtual setting, although some of the logistics will shift
- Of course, this is all subject to change as safety is our #1 priority - and we also are focused on providing the highest quality education possible



## Shout Outs

- Many thanks for the positive feedback and shout outs to teachers who are doing a great job with virtual schooling - it truly is food to nourish our spirits!
- We want to shout out all of our families for being great home teachers and cheerleaders
- Sending lots of appreciation to all of our students, and especially the 6th graders, for showing great strength and resilience in adapting to the new learning environment.
- Teachers, support staff, and administrators miss your children!



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