



**SAN JUAN
COLLEGE
HIGH SCHOOL**



Thursday, July 30, 2020

Hello Griffin Students and Families,

We are excited to start a new year of learning and although our year is going to look different from previous years, we will still maintain our high expectations, impactful instruction, and student success. I want to thank you for your continued flexibility as we know the learning environment can change again at any given time. Our staff is working very hard to ensure that all Griffin students are afforded the opportunity to take part in rigorous accelerated learning, regardless of the learning environment and the delivery method required.

In accordance with current health orders, ***all learning for SJCHS classes will be in a virtual format (from home) through at least September 7th***. This pertains to first-year and second-year students. Third-year and fourth-year students will need to verify the format of their San Juan College courses which start on August 24th. Additionally, fourth year-students will have online Government with Mr. Wallace this fall and both third and fourth-year students will have Seminar with Ms. Calcote. San Juan College has moved to mostly virtual learning where classes may be traditional online classes, live online, or hybrid. Only a few classes will meet face-to-face. Be sure to check your SJC email for directions from Mrs. Calcote on how your classes will be offered and information can also be found on the San Juan College homepage.

At this time, we will maintain our published calendar dates with the following start dates:

- 1st Year Students: August 11 – (Zoom)Orientation and abbreviated schedule
- 2nd Year Students: August 12 – (Zoom) Orientation and abbreviated schedule
- 3rd Year Orientation (Zoom): August 21 @ 1:00 p.m.
- 4th Year Orientation (Zoom): August 21 @ 9:00 a.m.

The first day for 1st and 2nd year students will include an orientation in the morning and an abbreviated schedule to test and ensure technology is working to connect with their instructors. More information will be provided on the schedule for the first day of school very soon. Orientation day Zoom links for 3rd and 4th year students will be published and sent to students via Canvas and Robocall emails.

We have a unique opportunity to offer our high school classes live to our first-year and second-year students. All SJCHS classes will be held in synchronous learning environments where teachers are using Zoom meetings to conduct classes through the Canvas learning system. First-

year students will be oriented on this platform and have time to become familiar with laptop tools associated with Canvas. Classes will follow the bell schedule below and students and teachers will be allotted the full 80-minute window for classes. Teachers may conclude classes early if this time is not needed, but students will need to prepare for a typical class period. We will keep in mind the well-being of students and teachers, as we know screen fatigue is possible. The class schedule will look like the following:

SJCHS Virtual Bell Schedule Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday	
1st Period	8:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.
2nd Period	10:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.
3rd Period	12:00 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.
4th Period	1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

During classes, attendance and grades will mimic our at-school learning where students are expected to join their classes at the scheduled times and complete assignments in accordance with due dates. We will follow our current bell schedule and our classes will occur on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, with an expectation of studying and work completion on Mondays for students. Teachers will use Mondays for professional development, collaborative teaming, and preparation for the upcoming week of instruction. Virtual learning expectations will be clarified during orientation and these expectations will be published for families.

Technology is essential in this process. **Laptop distribution** will take place in four different phases at the Farmington Schools Central Office Building at 3401 E. 30th Street. Students will need to be present in order to make their initial laptop login on the FMS network and associated text book handouts will occur at this time. The laptop distribution dates are the following:

- 1st Year Students: August 10 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.
- 2nd Year Students August 11 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.
- 3rd Year Students: August 19 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.
- 4th Year Students: August 20 8:00 – 11:30 a.m.

If you do not have access to Wi-Fi or internet access for your student, please contact SJCHS so we can investigate possible solutions.

Students, if you have a laptop in your possession and you have no current classes, please take your laptop to the FMS Central Office to have it reimaged. Students who enrolled in a Health class only will need to turn in their laptop on August 3 between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Students who are finishing SJC classes or a combination of Health and SJC classes will need to return their

laptop on August 14th between 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Please disregard previous communication that outlined a different date. Again, the next laptop return dates are August 3rd and August 14th. This will be an unprecedented start to the school year for our students, but we intend to set the bar in carrying out our virtual program with success. The Griffin staff is prepared to support and encourage all of our students as we work through this new educational environment together.

Thank you and *Go Griffins!*

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Questions? Call: (505)566-3986 or **email:** sjchs@sanjuancollege.edu

Important links:

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