



# ARDSLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Ardsley High School Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We are truly honored to lead the Ardsley High School team. We hope everyone has enjoyed the summer break and is ready for a successful school year. The first day of classes for students at AHS is September 5, 2023.

## **Reminder**

The orientation for the Class of 2027 will begin Thursday, **August 31st, at 11:00am**. Students should report to the Ardsley High School Auditorium for a welcome message from AHS Administration, School Counselors, and Orientation Team. Students in grades 9-12 new to Ardsley High School are also invited to the orientation. Students will have an opportunity to tour the building, receive school lockers, and are invited to lunch in the AHS courtyard.

## **AHS Bell Schedule Changes**

We are pleased to announce the addition of a 3rd lunch period in the daily schedule for our students. The addition of a 3rd lunch period increases our students' opportunities to include a lunch period in their schedule and maximize their program of study. Lunch periods at AHS will now include periods 5, 6, and 7. This will not change the Monday through Thursday Bell Schedule. Students will experience a slight change in the bell schedule on Fridays. Students in music rehearsals on Friday mornings will **now begin at 7:55am. Period 1 will begin for all students at 8:50am**. The last period of the day, **period 8 will end at 2:39pm every Friday**.

Please refer to the Monday -Thursday schedule and updated Friday schedule for the full class period bell schedules on our AHS website and in the link below.

[ARDSLEY HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE](#)

## **The First Week of Class**

The first day of classes will be on Tuesday, September 5th. Students will follow an "A," day schedule. When students arrive at school, they must enter through the front lobby. Students will be able to stay in the library or cafeteria until the bell rings.

For the first day of classes only, students will report directly to their [Special Homeroom](#) instead of their period 1 class. During the special homeroom, students will receive a copy of their most current schedule of classes. Special Homeroom will begin at 7:55 AM. Please refer to the [AHS Opening Day Bell Schedule](#) on the AHS website, under the tab, "About Us," After the first day, we will return to our regular bell schedule. Students who do not have a first period class must report to the attendance office, Room 114A, where attendance will be taken.

The school day begins at 7:55 AM on Monday through Thursday. Beginning on Friday, September 8th and each Friday thereafter, period 1 will begin at 8:50 AM with select music groups meeting from 7:55 AM - 8:45 AM.

### **Important Forms:**

- **Attendance Procedures** should be read and kept for future reference. We are requiring students to return the [Form](#) that verifies your understanding of the attendance policy. Students must return the sheet to their Special Homeroom teacher the first day of classes.
- **For Seniors Only:** The [Open Campus Permission Form](#) should be completed and returned to Mrs. DiMaria in room 114A, by September 8th. Seniors will be required to sign out if they leave campus during a lunch or free period. Seniors must enter and exit the building through the front lobby.
- **Parking:** At this time, parking on campus is limited to **Seniors**. Parking spaces are also limited for Seniors and spaces will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. Please complete and return the [Senior Parking Form](#) in-person to Mrs. DiMaria in room 114A by Friday September 8th. Seniors will be assigned a specific numbered parking spot in the front of the building. Students parking on campus without permission, or observed not following traffic and safety rules will be referred to the Assistant Principal and may result in suspension of parking privileges or disciplinary consequences. Juniors parking on campus may result in suspension of parking privileges for a time period during their senior year.
- **Every Student Succeeds Act:** Juniors and Seniors: please review the [Every Student Succeeds Act Opt Out Letter Grades 11/12](#). If this form applies to your family, please complete it and return it to the AHS Guidance Office by September 8th.

### **Important Safety Reminders**

Ardasley High School has a modified closed campus. This policy prohibits students in grades 9, 10, and 11 from leaving campus at any time during the school day. Although seniors have the privilege to leave campus, we encourage them to stay on campus during their lunch periods. Every effort will be made to provide a quality food service program and activities during lunch periods. We encourage parents and students to discuss the issues concerning the campus policy. Please call us if you have any questions or concerns.

Last year we discontinued any food deliveries to increase safety for our students and staff. This year we are continuing with this safety measure. There are no food deliveries permitted on campus. If students are observed accepting food deliveries they will be referred to the administration.

### **Student Devices and Classroom Supplies:**

Students in grades 9 - 12 are allowed to bring in their personal devices, but if families completed the Opt-in/Opt-out form indicating they would like a school issued device, they will receive a Chromebook device from the district August 31st. Students entering grade 9 and new students can pick up their device during orientation and students in grades 10-12 may pick up their devices from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. A representative from the Technology Department will be stationed on the second floor of the library.

We understand student supply lists may be quite extensive in elementary and middle school. At the high school, teachers either have their supply lists posted on the [Website](#) or will inform students of any supplies needed on the first day of classes. During the first day of classes, students may bring a laptop or Chromebook device, or a notebook and a writing implement.

### **Save the Dates:**

**September 13th:** Senior Parent College Planning Meeting, at 7:00pm in the AHS Auditorium

**September 19th:** New to the Ardsley School District Parent Orientation, at 7:00pm in the AHS Auditorium

**September 28th:** AHS Back to School Night, at 6:45pm

We look forward to an exciting and successful year together!

Sincerely,

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