

**SWENSON ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL**  
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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

Welcome Back! In just a couple of weeks on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, the new school year will begin. I would first like to take this opportunity to thank you for your help and support this past school year. We look forward to your continuing participation in Title 1 meetings, School Advisory Council meetings, School Improvement sessions, school trips and events at Swenson! We will work diligently to continue moving Swenson High School forward and creating a positive learning environment that will motivate students to do their very best.

**Returning students should check for their new advisory room number that will be posted in the Cafeteria and Main Lobby. Students will receive their rosters in their new advisories.**

Uniform shirts are now on sale for \$13.00 each or 2 shirts for \$25.00 in the Main Office from 10:00AM-1:00PM. **The Swenson School uniform consists of a collared polo shirt with the Swenson logo in white, navy, or red. Plain white, navy, or red collared shirts may also be worn. Black, Tan khaki, or Dark Blue jeans complete the uniform.**

Students are expected to wear their uniform every day and will not be permitted to change into the attire of their choice after entering the building. All students, male and female, must wear their pants around their waist using a belt if needed. Students will not be permitted to wear hats, caps, or hoodies on their heads. Head coverings may be worn for documented religious or cultural purposes only. **Tee shirts from the various sports teams, CTE programs or Swenson created tee shirts are permitted on announced days only. Sweatsuits, tracksuits, skintight jeans, jeans with holes/rips, tights, leggings, extremely short skirts or low cut blouses are prohibited.**

**The first day of school, September 3, 2019, is a full day of school from 8:50 AM to 2:54 PM for returning students.**

My expectations are simple and clear:

- All students are expected to be on time and in full uniform on September 3, 2019.
- Instruction will begin on the first day of school; therefore all students are expected to be prepared with pen and paper. Each teacher will inform your child of supplies needed for class.
- Cell phones have proven to be a distraction and disruption and **MUST BE OFF & AWAY DURING SCHOOL HOURS** unless being used for teacher approved instructional purposes.
- Every Swenson student respects each other, teachers, staff and administration.
- Every Swenson student graduates college and/or career ready.

Enjoy the last days of summer vacation. I look forward to seeing each of you on Tuesday, September 3, 2019!  
Sincerely,

*Colette Langston,*

**Principal**

**REMINDER – FULL DAY OF SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 3, 2019**

7:50 AM - New 9<sup>th</sup> Grade students arrive  
8:50 AM - Returning students – Grades 10 to 12 arrive  
New students – Grade 10