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Dear Students & Families:

We hope everyone is having a wonderful and relaxing summer of sun and fun! It is nearly time to get back into the swing of school again and we wanted to take this opportunity to welcome you to Swenson Arts & Technology High School for the 2022-2023 school year. This letter is designed to answer a few questions, and also help you plan for the start of the school year ahead.

Please see the following for some important dates and information:

August 8-22, 2022	Administrative staff will be available @ Swenson
August 10-26, 2022	School Uniforms will be on sale! (Cash Only!) <i><u>Hours for sale: 9 am - 1pm</u></i> <i><u>See link below for policy and pricing!</u></i>
August 23, 2022	Staff reports to Swenson
August 24, 2022	Freshman & New Student Orientation (12:15-2:15pm)
August 29, 2022	First Day for All Students

When school starts on August 29, 2022, it will be a full day of school starting at 7:30 am! The Swenson School Uniform Gear is the expectation for all Swenson students.

Please see this link for the updated policy: [☰ SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY 2022-2023](#)

Swenson Block Schedule: Swenson has an A/B block schedule. Students attend four classes per day and classes are approximately 90 minutes long. As a result of this schedule, students generally see each teacher every other day.

Lunches: Are approximately 30 minutes long and students eat in the student cafeteria and also have access to our back patio for outside seating and physical activities (Soccer, Basketball, Football, etc..)

Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up: Parents who drop students off in the morning and pick students up at the end of the day are required to follow the established traffic pattern for coming onto campus. This means you must come onto campus through the main entrance and follow the traffic pattern to the right, circle around the building, and exit onto GF Congdon Parkway which is the road between Swenson and Orleans Tech. Student pick-up in the afternoon can be in the students' parking lot, on Red Lion Road, or on GF Congdon Parkway.

School Supplies: Students should come prepared on the first day of school with several notebooks, a couple folders, pens and pencils (yes we still use these!) and a fully charged **school issued chromebook**. If you do not have a chromebook, we will get that handled the first week of school. If your chromebook is not functioning or damaged, bring it to school on the first day of school, and we will get it fixed or replaced. During the first week of school, your teachers will be more specific with any supplies needed.

Google Classrooms: At Swenson, each grade has a google classroom specific to their grade level "Class of 20**" that is used to communicate important information, upcoming events, college information etc. You have previously received an invitation to your respective google classroom and if you haven't yet accepted this invitation please do so at your earliest convenience as it will be used as the primary form of communication by the school. If you have any questions regarding access please email Mrs DiCrosta @ cdicrosta@philasd.org

The Swenson Student/Family Handbook has much more information and will be published electronically on the Swenson Arts & Technology Website and in a hard copy for all students and families.

If you have any questions or need to reach out, I can be reached by email @ jhaughton@philasd.org.

Sincerely,

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