

# Sisters High School "Home of the Outlaws"

8/18/20

### Good Morning Sisters High School,

It's been a week since my last communication and I thought I send an update, which includes some reminders and some revisions to our original plan. We will send more information and schedules by the end of the week. Today's communication is simply to keep our families informed. When you do receive schedules, please reach out to your counselors if you have any questions, revisions or changes that need to be made.

### For scheduling questions:

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**STUDENT SCHEDULES** (no change): We will have schedules to students by the weekend. For any schedule changes, you will call or email your counselor next week during orientation week.

TWO CLASSES PER ACADEMIC TERM: (REVISED) Students, or most students, will take two classes per academic term. Each academic term will be six weeks long. Our goal was to create a schedule where students remained in the same cohort for both classes. We found this to be incredibly difficult because of the different levels and interests of our students. Students will now have two classes and this means they will be in two different cohorts. (See daily schedule below)

**OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL** (no changes): We are here to support student goals and learning styles as much as possible. We will work with our families and be as creative as we can to ensure our students are learning and being healthy. Here are the three basic options which you may coordinate with your counselor next week after you receive your schedule:

- 1. With our Instructional Staff: learn from our teachers in whatever method we are allowed: Comprehensive Distance Learning, Hybrid or Fully On-Site.
- 2. Sisters Educational Options (SEO): this is our on-line option. Most of our students are well aware of this option, as we have used it for years. In short, students will have a staff supervising their lesson completion rate, but the students learn from the on-line platform. Please reach out to Susie Seaney at Susie.seaney@ssd6.org for additional questions regarding this option.
- 3. Combination: based on individual student needs, one might like to take a class through SEO and another class with our teachers.

Regardless of the choice, we are scheduling two classes per academic term, plus math. This will give all of us greater flexibility for each academic term and families can make a choice each term instead of a full year commitment. Please reach out to your counselors if you have any auestions.

**MATH:** (no Change) Math will be a hybrid and it will be all year long. We are creating math courses for students to begin where they are ready, for the most part anyway. Depending on the class, students will receive instruction using various methods such as live zoom meetings and prerecorded lessons. The math teacher will have office hours and they will regularly check for student's understanding.



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**PE AND PERFORMING ARTS:** (REVISED) we are allowing time for students to engage in daily physical activity, but the PE Classes will now be scheduled during class time during our first academic term. It is still our goal to create a physical education program that is built around student needs and interests using a menu of options. It's more of an individual trainer approach. We are hoping to get institute this by the 2<sup>nd</sup> academic term.

Performing arts will meet regularly throughout the year. Your teachers will explain their creative approach.

#### **CALENDAR** (still planning):

- <u>Orientation Week:</u> The week of August 31<sup>st</sup> is Orientation Week and time to make schedule changes. We will send more information later this week. We have some limitations from the Oregon Department of Education that is causing us to be creative.
- <u>First Week of School:</u> The week of September 7<sup>th</sup> is the first week of school and we will follow the schedule below.
- **Possible Year Long Calendar:** The calendar below is very tentative but it will give our families an idea of what the school year will look like:

	Orientation Week	1 <sup>st</sup> Academic Term	2nd Academic Term	3rd Academic Term	4 <sup>th</sup> Academic Term	5 <sup>th</sup> Academic Term	6 <sup>th</sup> Academic Term	
	Aug 31 - Sept 4	Sept 8-	Oct 19 -	Nov 30-	Feb 1-	Mar 29 -	May 10 -	
1		16-Oct	24-Nov	22-Jan	12-Mar	May 7	15-Jun	

**DAILY SCHEDULE** (revised): Students will remain at home and learn remotely for the first academic term, this is called Comprehensive Distance Learning. Our hope is to move into a hybrid approach, which is some at home and some in school, as soon as possible. Regardless, we have a schedule that allows us to pivot quickly from full time remote learning, to a hybrid the approach, to full time on-site.

Fully On-Site	Monday, Tuesday, Wo (All In-	Fridays All At Home					
Hybrid Approach	A Days (Monday & Wednesday) 9th & 10th In School 11th & 12th at Home	B Days (Tuesday & Thrusday) 9th & 10th at Home 11th & 12th in School	Fridays All At Home				
Comprehensive Distance Learning							
Regardless of the approach the daily schedule remains the same							
8:30 - 9:20	Math, Ba						
9:25 - 11:30	5 - 11:30 CLASS 1						
11:30 - 12:00	- 12:00 Outlaw Time (Office Hours)						
12:00 - 12:30	00 - 12:30 LUNCH						
12:30 - 2:35	CLA	Professional Development					
2:40 - 3:30	Math, Ba						

Let's ROCK this OUTLAWS! And, let's find some fun in doing it!