

Arlington 7-12 Back To School Information

Dear Arlington Parents and Guardians,

I want to take this time to introduce myself. My name is Mark Verroco, the new 7-12 principal. I am looking forward to being part of an excellent school district thanks to the hard work and dedication of our students, staff, parents, and supportive community. I will do my best to communicate during the school year with all of our stakeholders and by seeing all of you at our various sporting and co-curricular events. I am encouraging all of you to visit our website regularly to help with communication, viewing forms, reading handbook language, seeking out scheduled events, and other valuable information to help keep you engaged/informed at all times.

In closing. I hope all of you had an enjoyable summer with family and friends and I welcome you back to another exciting year. Let's work together to help our students experience growth in all areas and continue the pride and traditions that have made Arlington Local Schools a special school district and community!!! Go Red Devils!

Please view the topics below and email me if you have any questions.

- > Fees- We are pleased to announce that all students in grades 7-12 will have only a few fees for the 2022-2023 school year. The following fees must be paid for the following; Technology Insurance Waiver, FFA, and Industrial Arts. Millstream students will be responsible for their fees.
- > **Open House** will be on **August 28th** from 11:00-3:00 and 4:00-6:00. During these time frames, parents and students may visit their classrooms, receive their class syllabus, and ask questions about **school supplies**.

https://www.arlingtonlocalschools.com/high-school/high-school-forms-and-information

- > **New York and Washington D.C-** I am looking for parents to help with several details relating to our New York Trip (Seniors) and Washington D.C. (8th Grade) trips. Please call the high school office to speak with Mr. Verroco regarding these two trips.
- > **Bus Information-** Approximate bus route times and bus assignments will be available at Open House on August 28th. Please see Mr. Hazelton in the school cafeteria for bus information. *** Please visit our website to fill out the **required** bus form before Open House.

- > Cafeteria Information- Families can make deposits to lunch accounts balances through PaySchools. The link can be found on the main page of the school website by clicking on the Lunch Balance at the bottom of the page, then select 'Manage Lunch Account" On this page, you can also find the "Click Here" for free and reduced applications, which must be returned for current year eligibility by October 1st. Balance reminders can also be set up on the PaySchools app, additional features include an auto replenish when balance is low. For questions please contact Tracy MciLroy at 419 365-5123 ext 222. High school lunches are \$2.50. Breakfast will be offered this school year for \$1.25
- > Final Forms- Please make sure all forms all filled out with the most up to date information prior to the start of school https://www.arlingtonlocalschools.com/resources
- > Handbook- For further questions, reference the handbook found on the school website and please call the HS office. https://www.arlingtonlocalschools.com/upload/academics/high_school/high_school_forms_and_

information/handbook_2022-2023_final.pdf

- > School Calendar- https://www.arlingtonlocalschools.com/communications
- > Grades 7-12 Schedule Pick Up/Pictures- August 22nd will be an opportunity for all students in grade 7-12 to get their schedules and pictures from 8:00-12:00.

It is also important for all **7th grade/new students** and parents to attend an Orientation Meeting beginning at **7:00 p.m.** We will discuss our daily schedule. review some handbook information, answer questions you may have, and most Importantly, help students adjust to the new school year.

Please follow the schedule below to help with large crowds and assist individual students and families during the morning hours.

Grades 7 and 8 8:00- 9:30 Grades 9 and 10 9:30-11:00 Grades 11 and 12 11:00-12:00

> **REMIND APP-** I have created grade level accounts to help with communicating important events and information during the 2023-2024 school year. **This is a one way communication request** to help prevent constant texts. Please email me at verrocom@arlingtonlocal.org if you have questions regarding a REMIND message

Send a text message to **81010** with your individual class code listed below to join.

Class Name: 7th Grade
Class Name: 8th Grade
Class Name: 9th Grade
Class Name: 10th Grade
Class Name: 11th Grade
Class Name: 12th Grade
Class Code: @mverroc10
Class Code: @mverroc7
Class Code: @mverroc7
Class Code: @mverroc7
Class Code: @mverroc10
Class Code: @mverroc7
Class Code: @mverroc8
Class Code: @mverroc9
Class Code: @mverroc10

- **> Calamity Days-** Please check the school website or sign up for text alerts at WFIN/WKXA for school closure and delay information.
- > Points of Emphasis- Please read below;
 - *Academics will always be our focus at Arlington. Please contact Mr. Verroco or Mrs. Thompson if you have academic related questions.
 - *Cell phones may be used from 7:30-7:55 and lunch. They will not be allowed in the hallways and classrooms during the school day.
- * Leader in Me will look differently this school year. Our "Win" period will continue to be every Wednesday, however, our school handbook states Tuesday/Thursday. During the second semester, we may incorporate academic support on the two days listed in the handbook. We will follow the LiM Curriculum, prioritize our first quarter activities relating to expectations, soft skills, and LiM topics to help students experience more success in school and in their future. We would like to get more of our community involved in some school activities during the day, and bring some speakers to deliver life messages. We will continue to implement some our same groups/related activities during the month, however, our teachers have developed groups with activities being planned each week.
 - * **Exams** will be administered to all students in grades 9-12 during first and second semester. Students in grades 7-8 will **not** be required to take exams unless they are taking a high school class for credit. For each semester, exams are worth 5%.
 - * **Dress Code** will be enforced on a daily basis. Please read pages 25-26 in our school handbook located on our website. Please call or email Mr. Verroco if you have any questions.

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