



# Port Jervis

SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent/Guardian and Student,

We hope that you are having a fun and enjoyable summer. High school is an excellent opportunity for you to explore different options, classes and information. The Counseling Department is committed to guiding you in the direction that helps you achieve your goals. We are available to meet with you to answer your questions and concerns. The administration, counseling department and teachers have all been working collaboratively to ensure that you have a positive experience in the upcoming school year.

***The first day of school is Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students are to report directly to their homerooms at 7:30am. Homerooms are on the enclosed student schedule.***

In order to ensure a smooth transition into the first day of school, we have enclosed your class schedule for September. These are the classes that you and your counselor discussed during course selection this past spring. If one or two of the electives you chose last year was not available, your counselor may have replaced it with an alternate elective. ***If you would like to change your schedule, please feel free to visit the high school guidance office, on Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> from 10am to 2pm and Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> from 11am to 2 pm. These are the only times that students may change their schedules before school starts. Counselors will not be available any other dates or times before the first day of school.***

We cannot accommodate any schedule changes for the following reasons:

- You want to be in the same lunch/class/Gym (A or B day) with your friend.
- If you're requesting a specific teacher.
- Class is too early and/or too late in the day.
- Location of classroom (too far away from locker, etc.)

**Policy regarding grade placement:**

Students will move on to the next grade regardless of credits earned until they reach senior year. To become a senior, students will still need 16.5 credits, and are also required to pass the English Regents and the Algebra Regents exam.

First period late arrival will not be offered again this year.

We would like to thank you, in advance, for your cooperation and dedication and as always, please do not hesitate to call your counselor with any questions or concerns. We look forward to seeing you in September!

Regards,

Julie Balogh

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**\*\*\*\*\* Don't Forget: All schedule changes must be made by September 10th. \*\*\*\*\***