

ANTIOCH COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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It's a great day to be a Sequoia!

School Starts on Tuesday, August 17, 2010

About your Schedule . . .

Your schedule is available through PASS. No paper copies will be printed. Please use PASS to access your schedule.

If you need to discuss a possible schedule change, you must have your 2010-11 school ID issued and in your hand to make any changes to your schedule. We need your ID so that we can change your schedule label on your ID.

On **Monday, August 9, 2010 at 1:15 pm**, ID's will be available in the Guidance Office for students who sign in for an appointment.

Otherwise, ID's will be distributed in each student's 2nd-hour class on the first day of school.



Please remember, the opportunity to "customize" your schedule will be difficult.

Acceptable Schedule Changes are:

- Student has fewer than 6 classes or 3 potential credits per semester.
- Student needs a specific course to meet graduation requirements.
- Student needs to be placed in the same course at a different level.

Locks & Locker Assignments

Locker assignments appear on each student's schedule. All questions or concerns about locks and lockers should be directed to Mrs. Pilcher in the Attendance Office at (847) 838-7188.

Counselor Availability

Counselors will be available on a walk-in basis only on **Monday thru Friday, August 9-13, from 1:15 pm until 3:15 pm.**

If the problem with your schedule is due to one of the acceptable schedule changes listed, then by all means, please see your counselor during the afternoon hours for walk-in appointments.

Counselor Assignments

Refer to the chart to determine your counselor.

	Class of 2011	Class of 2012	Class of 2013	Class of 2014
Ms. Lindgren	A-E	A-F	A-F	A-F
Mr. Langenkamp	F-La	G-La	G-La	G-La
Ms. Slocum	Le-Ri	Le-Ri	Le-Ri	Le-Ri
Ms. Peck	Ro-Z	Ro-Z	Ro-Z	Ro-Z

I.D. Pictures and Student Handbooks

The student's school picture will be used as the ID picture. Parent/Student Handbooks will be issued during the first week of school.

Lunch Periods

Lunch periods begin with period 4 and run through period 6. Freshmen will participate in

an advisory program as part of their lunch period.

Daily Bell Schedule

Period 0	6:35 am to	7:25 am
Period 1	7:30 am to	8:20 am
Period 2	8:25 am to	9:20 am
Period 3	9:25 am to	10:15 am
Period 4	10:20 am to	11:10 am
Period 5	11:15 am to	12:05 pm
Period 6	12:10 pm to	1:00 pm
Period 7	1:05 pm to	1:55 pm
Period 8	2:00 pm to	2:50 pm

Late-In Days

Every Monday that starts a full 5-day week will be in a Late-in Monday. For example, August 23 and 30 along with September 13, 20, and 27 are all Late-In days. School will begin at 9 am on these days, and bus routes will be amended to accommodate this schedule.

These days are used for faculty staff development and curriculum development.

Study Halls

Freshmen and sophomores are assigned to a study hall if they are taking less than seven courses a day.

Sophomores with a GPA of 3.5 or below are assigned to a lunch/study hall or study hall/lunch: 25 minutes of the period is for eating lunch, and the other 25 minutes is for study hall. The attendance policy applies to these study halls.



Juniors with a GPA of 1.9 or below are assigned to a lunch/study hall or study hall/lunch: 25 minutes of the period is for eating lunch, and the other 25 minutes is for study hall. The attendance policy applies to these study halls.



PE Waivers

Junior & senior varsity athletes and marching band members who are applying for a PE Waiver must complete their physical fitness tests prior to the waiver becoming effective. Students must attend PE until they have completed all of their fitness tests. PE waiver forms are available in the Guidance Office. They must be submitted no later than August 23, 2010.

Back-to-School Night

Come join us on **Wednesday, September 1, 2010, at 7 pm. There is an optional Q & A at 6:30 pm in the commons.** This is a chance for the parents to meet their student's teachers and learn about the curriculum and expectations of each course.

Parent Conferences

Please plan ahead as appointment times need to be made in advance.

Parent Conferences will be individual appointments with the teacher and the parent, at which time the discussion can focus on the individual student's current progress.

Parent Conferences will be held on **Thursday, and Friday, October 28 and 29, 2010.**

Watch the **Information Station** on the Antioch web page for details on how to make appointments.

Final Exams

Final exams for first semester will be **Monday, December 20 through Wednesday, December 22, 2010.** Parents are advised now

to avoid making any travel or holiday plans that conflict with the exam schedule.

Final exams for **second semester** will be the last three days of school. It is typical for us to use a few snow days during the winter, at which time final exams get backed up. Parents are advised now to avoid making any travel or holiday plans until three (3) to four (4) days after the tentative last day.

Attendance Policy



District #117 values the importance of education and believes students need to be in class to properly develop academically and socially. Any absence, therefore, is detrimental to the individual and the class. To that end, we will do everything in our power to ensure students have opportunities to grow every day by stressing consistent attendance. Our policy reflects these values.

Please, parents, contact the school as quickly as possible when your child will be unable to attend school. After FIVE (5) absences (excused and unexcused), parents/students will be notified that students have missed more days of instruction than are expected of our students. After NINE (9) absences per semester, parents/students will be notified that they will be on MEDICAL LOCKOUT, which means all subsequent absences will be unexcused unless a doctor's note is provided or the absence was previously approved by a school administrator. Current district policy states that after FIFTEEN (15) absences, the school has the discretion to remove student from class and/or pursue expulsion.

If students are unexcused from any class, they will NOT receive credit for work they have missed. If unexcused absences continue, school administrators may drop a student from the class with a



grade of "WF" or "withdrawn failed." The course will be replaced with a structured study hall in which attendance is monitored.

By consistently following these guidelines, we can ensure that everyone understands the value we place on attendance. Thank you in advance for your support.

Freshmen Orientation



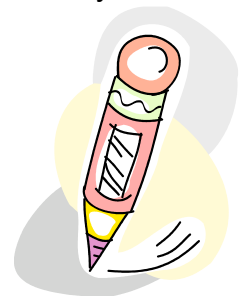
Freshmen Orientation will be on **Tuesday, August 10, 2010. Orientation is from 8:30 am to 11 am.** This day is designed for the students in preparation of their first day of freshman year.

Students will start their day in the auditorium and will meet in their Advisory groups to conduct specific activities. This includes such tasks as: ID pictures, textbook pick-up, building tour, putting your lock on your locker, etc.

Advisory groups are determined by their lunch hour. For example, 4a would be a study hall/lunch while 6b would be lunch/study hall.

Bus service will be provided on orientation day. Buses will pick up students **one (1) hour later** than the normal pick-up time during the school year.

Consult your bus schedule for pick-up locations and times.



School Supplies

There is not a general school supply list for Antioch Community High School.

Students should be prepared with general supplies such as a few folders, paper, pens,



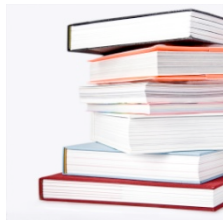
and pencils. As students attend each class, teachers will communicate any specific needs.

Summer Reading Reminder

Students are reminded that their summer reading assignments are due on **Tuesday, August 17, 2010** — the first day of school. Discussions related to these readings may occur in more than just your English class.

If you have misplaced your assignment sheet, you can download another copy by using the web page at www.sequoits.com.

This is your chance to make a good impression on your teacher when you turn in your first quality assignment.



Sophomores through Seniors: Book Distribution

We will continue to use our electronic bar coding system to assign textbooks to students according to their schedule. Each textbook distributed and returned is electronically scanned. Fees for lost or damaged books will be automatically assessed to the student account.

Textbooks for **upperclassmen** will be available on **Tuesday, August 3rd & Thursday, August 12th from 9 am until 3 pm** in the Library.



Please bring your hallway lock so that you can put your books in your locker and lock it.

Graduation '11

The Class of 2011 is scheduled for graduation ceremonies on **Sunday, May 22, 2011**.

We will continue to attempt to have an outdoor ceremony so there is no limit on guests. Should we be forced to have an indoor ceremony due to weather, graduates can plan on inviting 5-6 guests.

All fees must be paid in full in order for a cap and gown to be issued in late May.

Cardinal Crazy Shirts

The 2010-11 Cardinal Crazy t-shirt will be available for \$5 during your specific class assembly. There is a limited supply so don't miss out—have your \$5 ready within the first few days of school so that you can purchase your 2010-11 Cardinal Crazy Shirt!

Smile, for your Yearbook Picture

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors will have their portraits taken for the yearbook during their English classes the week of August 24. Juniors will be photographed on August 24, sophomores on August 25, and freshmen on August 26.

Information explaining how to order copies of these pictures is mailed home directly to parents by HR Imaging, the official school photographer. Students who will not be in school on their assigned day can be photographed on August 24 in the library. A makeup day for absentees is scheduled for October 21.

Seniors had their first opportunity to be photographed this summer. The photographer will be back for a final time during the week of October 19. Seniors can also be photographed at the studio in Libertyville any

time before the October 23 deadline. Visit www.sequoits.com/yearbook for more information.

PASS

Parental Access School System

Each student has been assigned a student ID number as well as a PIN. These two pieces of information will allow a student and parent to access the student's:

- Daily attendance
- Weekly grade updates
- Transcript information
- Meal Time accounts
- Test History
- Fee and Payment record

ID and PIN numbers will be distributed in the August mailing. Access to PASS is available on the ACHS web page.

Sequoit News

Bi-weekly email

Approximately every other Monday an email is sent to each primary parent contact. This email includes due dates and other important reminders for the following two weeks.

Please be sure that we have your current email address so you receive the Sequoit News.

Fall Sports Season

Fall sports begin on Wednesday, August 11, 2010. Information regarding how to join a team or how to obtain an athletic physical can be found on the athletic department web site: www.sequoits.com/sports/