Welcome Thoreau Families!!!

Parent Information Sessions

THOREAU

Introductions

The Administrative Team

- Mrs. Sharamaine Williams, Interim Principal
- Mrs. Rebecca Aguilar, Director of Student Services
- Mr. Buck Condill, 8th Grade Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Fran Furr, 7th Grade Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Erin Lynch, Dean of Students
- Ms. Colleen Taylor, After-School Specialist

Introductions

The Counseling Staff

- Mr. Eric Fishman Last Names A-C (Young Scholars)
- Mrs. Jill Gallagher Last Names D-J
- Mrs. Frangca Lee Last Names K-N
- Mr. Scott Aldridge Last Names O - So
- Mrs. Kerrie Turner Last Names Sp - Z (ESOL Program)

Thoreau's 2020-2021 Bell Schedule

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Monday	Tuesday & Thursday GOLD/ODD	Wednesday & Friday BLUE/EVEN	Minutes
AM Intervention & Office Hours *(Note: Exact structures and plans are still under consideration at a division level)*	1st Period 7:30 – 8:50	2nd Period 7:30 – 8:50	80
	3rd Period 9:05 – 10:25 *Eagle Time*	4th Period 9:05 – 10:25	80
PM Meetings/Planning *(Note: Exact structures and plans are still under consideration at a division level)*	Lunch 10:35 - 11:10	Lunch 10:35 - 11:10	35
	5th Period 11:20 – 12:40	6th Period 11:20 – 12:40	80
	7th Period 12:55 - 2:15	8th Period 12:55 - 2:15	80

FCPSOn

- FCPS' one to one plan
- Students will receive a laptop, charger and carrying case
- Dates of Distribution:
  - Tuesday, August 18th--8th Grade (9:00-1:00)
  - Wednesday, August 19th--8th Grade (9:00-1:00)
  - Thursday, August 20th--7th Grade (9:00-1:00)
  - Friday, August 21st--7th Grade (9:00-1:00)
- Refer to eNotify sent on August 6th & 11th
- Please follow all procedures and have all forms filled out

BBCU Link Organizer

Distance Learning Schedule Guide

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Directions: Use this chart to keep track of your schedule/links during distance learning.

Teacher Office Hours/Intervention	Period	Live Lesson Time		Blackboard Collaborate Link (copy & paste from BB Collab. invite emails)
Mondays AM: Teacher support via office hours.	1st Period	Tuesdays: 7:30-8:50	Thursdays: 7:30-8:50	
	3rd Period (Eagle Time)	Tuesdays: 9:05-10:25	Thursdays: 9:05-10:25	
Mondays PM: Independent study time- work on tasks and assignments.	5th Period	Tuesdays: 11:20-12:40	Thursdays: 11:20-12:40	
	7th Period	Tuesdays: 12:55-2:15	Thursdays: 12:55-2:15	
	2nd Period	Wednesdays: 7:30-8:50	Fridays: 7:30-8:50	
	4th Period	Wednesdays: 9:05-10:25	Fridays: 9:05-10:25	
	6th Period	Wednesdays: 11:20-12:40	Fridays: 11:20-12:40	
	8th Period	Wednesdays: 12:55-2:15	Fridays: 12:55-2:15	
Counselor				

Teachers will email links to students on **Thursday, August 27th and Friday, August 28th.**

BBCU Organizer Link will be posted on TMS Counseling Google Classroom. Students self-enroll

What Should I Expect in a Typical Class Period?

- 80 minute block
- Variety of instructional practices
  - Community builders
  - Direct instruction
  - Breakout sessions
  - Individual practice
- Grades will be assigned for all classes (excluding Eagle Time)

3rd period -- EAGLE TIME/SEL

- Time for a variety of lessons which include:
  - Social Emotional lessons
  - Steps to Success (Executive Functioning) lessons
  - FCPSOn (technology) lessons
- Time for intervention which includes:
  - Small group support/remediation/enrichment
  - Office hours
- No grades will be assigned for this period
- No homework will be assigned for this period
- Attendance WILL be taken for this period

Student and Parent Access to Instructional Platforms

FCPS 24/7 (Blackboard)

- Primarily for parent access

Google Classroom

- Student access with live updates

BBCU & Google Meet

- Video conferencing tools

Virtual Excellence in Action

- Designed to support students in both their transition to middle school and getting to know Thoreau virtually
- Accessed through Thoreau's homepage
- Activities include virtual tour, virtual locker design, Google Classroom information
- Available now on our website!

Student Orientation and Information Sessions

Virtual Student Orientation

- Students will receive their schedules in StudentVue on Wednesday, Sept 2nd
- Teachers recorded short messages for their students via FlipGrid
- Students can access these videos via Thoreau's website

Student Information Sessions

- Counselors will host student information sessions for students.
- Topics (organizing BBCU links, succeeding in a virtual environment, accessing Google Classroom and reviewing helpful tips)
- Monday, August 31st AND Tuesday, September 1st @ 10 AM and 1 PM
- Counselors will host office hours on Thursday, Sept 3rd (10-12 & 1-3) to address any last minute student questions/concerns

Substitute Teachers

FCPS Directive

- If a teacher is out for less than three consecutive days, the teacher will create asynchronous assignments for students.
- If a teacher is out for three or more days a substitute teacher will be required.

What can my child do now to prepare for the start of school?

- Log onto their fcpsschools GMail account and delete any old emails
- Log onto Google Classroom and unenroll in previous classes--Counselor/SBTS sessions will assist with this
- Join the Student Services Google Classroom "Counselor Corner" (code q5e4a7s)
- Designate a workspace and organize school supplies
- Visit Thoreau's webpage and familiarize themselves with the various information
- Participate in the virtual Excellence in Action Orientation site activities
- Reach out to Counselors with any questions

What we still don't know...

- Final logistics around Monday:
  - AM intervention
  - Attendance is mandatory (likely through ET/3rd pd teacher)

Thank you for Attending!

We look forward to partnering with you to ensure a successful start to the school year!