We are closing in on the end of our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of the school year – this Friday. A new quarter will begin on Monday, November 16. The Fall has gone by quickly! In this note, you will find much information about the upcoming quarter (November 16 – February 2) including a change in our afternoon schedule for students in grades 10 – 12. There is no schedule change for our 9<sup>th</sup> grade students or for our students here for 4 day programming. They will continue as they have been all fall.

## Returning 10th - 12th graders to more in person time

The plan to return more students to in person time at school does not change your student's morning schedule. They will continue with the synchronous blocks as we have been doing all Fall. *Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>* is the date we are planning to start with this new afternoon schedule.

The change for students will happen in the afternoon. The schedule included here uses the same alpha split grouping that we have for our 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

All  $10^{th}$  –  $12^{th}$  grade students whose last name is in the A – K split will come to their designated classes (Block 1 and Block 2) on Monday and (Block 3 and 4) on Thursday between 2:00 and 3:30.

All  $10^{th}$  –  $12^{th}$  grade students whose last name is in the L – Z split will come to their designated classes (Block 1 and 2) on Tuesday and (Block 3 and 4) on Friday between 2:00 and 3:30.

We will not be offering students to change their scheduled day as all of our planning for space is based on this alpha split. We appreciate you understanding this.

We have kept a Learning Center (LC) block three days a week (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday) and Seminar time twice a week (Wednesdays in the morning and Fridays at 1:15) as we have found this important time for students.

Teachers are planning how they will use this time including continued small group discussions from their morning classes, working on a project or lab and refining a writing assignment. Our staff will continue to look at ways to enhance students' learning time over the next several weeks.

## **Parent Conferences**

We have identified the following dates for parent meetings and parent conferences:

9th grade Parent meeting – via ZOOM – Monday, November  $23^{rd}~6:00$  – 6:45 PM  $10^{th}$  grade Parent meeting –via ZOOM – Monday, November  $23^{rd}~7:00$  – 7:45 PM

11<sup>th</sup> grade Parent meeting – via ZOOM on Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 6:45PM 12<sup>th</sup> grade Parent meeting – via ZOOM on Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 – 7:45 PM

## The ZOOM link for the meetings is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8564604003?pwd=ODBJQzJWVEtMa0VCbzI30UtXMm FLUT09

Meeting ID: 856 460 4003 Passcode: 605664

At the grade level meetings teachers who primarily teach in that grade level will introduce themselves and tell you a bit about the course that they are teaching. We'll have time for questions about our schedule starting November  $30^{\rm th}$  as well. All of this is in preparation for individual parent conferences that we will have in early December. This year all conferences will be done virtually or by telephone and our staff will be preparing for that in the coming weeks.

I look forward to seeing you at one of the grade level meetings in a few weeks! Thank you for your support as we navigate these uncertain times.

## PHS Schedule beginning Monday, November 30, 2020

| Times            | Monday               | Tuesday               | Wednesday<br>Remote | Thursday             | Friday               |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 9:30 -<br>10:10  | Block 1              | Block 1               | Seminar             | Block 1              | Block 1              |
| 10:15 -<br>10:55 | Block 2              | Block 2               | Office Hours        | Block 2              | Block 2              |
| 11:00 -<br>11:40 | Block 3              | Block 3               | Office Hours        | Block 3              | Block 3              |
| 11:45 -<br>12:25 | Block 4              | Block 4               | Office Hours        | Block 4              | Block 4              |
| 12:25 -<br>1:15  | Travel Time<br>Lunch | Travel Time<br>Lunch  | Lunch               | Travel Time<br>Lunch | Travel Time<br>Lunch |
| 1:15 -<br>1:55   | LC                   | LC                    |                     | ГС                   | Seminar              |
| 2:00 - 2:40      | Block 1<br>A - K     | Block 1<br>L- Z       | PD Time             | Block 3<br>A - K     | Block 3<br>L - Z     |
| 2:45 –<br>3:30   | Block 2<br>A - K     | Block 2<br>L- Z       | PD Time             | Block 4<br>A - K     | Block 4<br>L - Z     |
| 3:30 - 4:00      |                      | Clubs &<br>Activities |                     | Clubs & Activities   |                      |