



Saddle Brook High School

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Dear Families:

Welcome to the 2023/2024 school year! As always, our priorities as a school are your child's safety and to provide them with a meaningful educational experience. I'm highlighting some important items that I want you to be aware of as we move into this new school year.

Forms in Genesis:

Please sign off on all of the forms in Genesis so your children can access their schedule and receive their Chromebooks. If your child is in 11th or 12th grade, they are allowed to leave for lunch but only if you grant them permission. The sign off for this is also in Genesis. Any requests for schedule changes must go through the Schedule Change Request Form ([click here](#) to access) and the counselors will be in touch. The google form is only accessible through student emails.

Arrival/Start Time:

Children are permitted to arrive as early as 7:30 AM (at the main entrance) only if they are having school provided breakfast. The side doors off the parking lot will open at 7:50 AM. Anyone who arrives before 7:55 must report to Cafeteria B. Everyone must be in their period 1 class by 8:00 AM or they'll be marked tardy.

What's New for 2023/2024:

We make changes every year to all aspects of the school. For this upcoming school year, we're excited about some changes at the High School which include:

- New Courses - Introduction to Flight, Aircraft Systems, and Performance, Young Adult Literature, and Residential Systems and Designs.
- Facility Improvements - We have a new Security Office in the main lobby, Air Conditioning in the Main Gym, new lights/ceilings in the hallways, and new student bathrooms on the second floor.
- Common Lunch - All high school students will have lunch period 6 during the 2023/2024 school year. 9th and 11th graders are assigned to Cafeteria B and 10th and 12th graders are assigned to Cafeteria A.

Student IDs and Lanyards:

Students must have their school IDs and lanyards everyday. Lanyards will be distributed during the first few days of school. Students should use last year's IDs until the new ones are issued in October. New students will be provided with IDs. Any returning students who lost an ID will be charged \$5.00 for a replacement. If you lost your ID, please fill out [this form](#).

Picture Day:

The picture day for underclassmen is on Wednesday September 13th. Seniors will have their ID pictures taken. This will be done during their Gym periods so Option II for Alternative PE is canceled on that day. Please [click here](#) to check out the flier from Marcel Studios.

Back to School Night:

The High School Back to School Night will be on Wednesday, September 13th at 6:30 PM. I'll send out a more detailed schedule that week. The Saddle Brook Education Association is also hosting an Ice Cream Truck in the front circle so come a few minutes early that night!

Chromebooks:

All students will be provided a Chromebook. Prior to receiving Chromebooks, the annual \$25 insurance/maintenance fee must be paid and fines must be resolved. The fee can be paid via Payschools or by check made out to Saddle Brook Board of Education.

Clubs and Activities:

We want your children to get involved in our various clubs and activities. Please [click here](#) to see what we have going on along with the advisors.

Dress Code:

Our dress code is Board of Education Policy and can be reviewed [here](#). It has been adjusted for this school year and allows more freedom in what students wear to school. Please keep in mind that flip flops or slides are prohibited, all shorts/skirts must go past the mid-thigh, all midriffs and undergarments must be covered, and everything must be school appropriate. The dress code for Physical Education is the same as the school dress code but students must wear rubber soled sneakers. We encourage all of our students to show off their school pride by wearing their Spirit Wear. If you are looking to order some, please [click here](#).

Lockers:

Locker numbers and combinations can be seen on your child's schedule in Genesis. They are located in the following hallways:

- Grade 9 - Cafe B Hallway to Main Gym Doors
- Grade 10 - History Wing to Main Gym Doors
- Grade 11 - Math/Art Wing
- Grade 12 - Science Wing

Senior Parking:

The senior parking application will be posted on the class of 2024 Guidance Google classroom page. If your child has not joined yet, they need to contact their counselor immediately.

PTO:

Please get involved with our PTO. This is a great way to stay informed about what's going on at the school. The meetings have been virtual which allows you to attend from the comfort of your home. The cost is \$20 per family and you can sign up by [clicking here](#). Payment options are listed on the sign up form. Additionally, check out the Spirit Store by [clicking here](#). 20% of your purchase will go directly to the PTO.

Athletic Live Streaming through NFHS:

If you're unable to attend our athletic competitions in person but want to watch from home, we've joined the NFHS network. You can subscribe for a monthly fee to gain access to all NFHS Network events which covers 27 different regular and postseason sports, as well as other high school activities. We've installed 2 cameras on our campus: one on our main football field and the other in our main gym. We invite you to join and or send the information to family and friends who might not be able to attend games in person. [Click here](#) for more information and how to subscribe. If you have any other questions about this, you can feel free to reach out to Chris Ianneillo at cianneillo@sbpsnj.org

All of this information is also on the website. As always, if you have any questions, you can feel free to reach out. We're looking forward to a great 2023/2024 school year!

Sincerely,

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