

# Jonathan Dayton High School



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Dear Freshman Student:

I hope this letter finds you well and excited for the beginning of your high school career. I welcome you as a member of the Class of 2024, and look forward to you being an active participant in your growth and development at JDHS.

The transition to high school is exciting and challenging. Teachers, counselors and all school staff will be available to help you with that transition, and support you throughout your high school career. You will be expected to attend school regularly, be on time for school and your classes, complete all assignments and exhibit appropriate behavior. Please refer to the JDHS portion of the district website at: [www.springfieldschools.com](http://www.springfieldschools.com). You will find a link for the student/parent handbook, which outlines policies, procedures and school regulations. We ask that students and parents read the entire handbook and take special note of the following sections: **Attendance, Electronic Devices, Dress Code, ID Cards, Graduation Requirements.**

All students will be issued a laptop that is to be used for education purposes only. Dates and procedures for laptop distribution will be announced shortly. In-district students that are moving up to the high school should still be in possession of their district issued laptop. All students must sign and submit a copy of the district's Acceptable Use Policy (AUP), for the 2020-2021 school year. The downloadable Acceptable Use Policy is available on the Forms page of the JDHS website: <https://www.springfieldschools.com/1/Content2/90>. Please note that student use of district issued laptops is monitored. Students found in violation of the acceptable use policy may be subject to disciplinary consequences.

The first day of school is Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, student schedules will become available for view in OnCourse Connect. Any questions regarding schedules should be directed to the student's assigned school counselor. School counselor information can be found at the following link: <https://www.springfieldschools.com/1/Content2/244>. The school Guidance Department can be reached at 973.376.1025, x4246. Please note that requests for schedule changes will not be entertained prior to the start of school.

A virtual freshman orientation will be held on Wednesday, **September 9<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30am**. The orientation will be facilitated via a Zoom. A Zoom link will be sent to all Freshman students, inviting them to the orientation welcome session. Following the welcome, students will log into OnCourse Connect, and access Zoom links posted by their teacher, per the schedule below:

<b>10:03 – 10:13</b>	<b>Period 1</b>
<b>10:16 – 10:26</b>	<b>Period 2</b>
<b>10:29 – 10:39</b>	<b>Period 3</b>
<b>10:42 – 10:52</b>	<b>Period 4</b>
<b>10:55 – 11:05</b>	<b>Period 5</b>
<b>11:08 – 11:18</b>	<b>Period 6</b>
<b>11:21 – 11:31</b>	<b>Period 7</b>
<b>11:34 – 11:44</b>	<b>Period 8</b>
<b>11:47 – 12:15</b>	<b>Activity Period</b>

During the Activity Period session, JDHS peer leaders will facilitate a Q&A session for students.

We look forward to seeing you soon! Enjoy the remaining days of summer.

Sincerely,

*Norman Francis, Jr. Ed.D.*



***Go Bulldogs!***