



WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR WARRIOR WORLD? August 13, 2011

Dear Warrior Family,

Thank you for attending our Parent Orientation this week. The time gave us the opportunity to explain school policies and academics while also giving you the chance to give us feedback on the scheduling decisions made. This two-way communication is essential as we are committed to providing the education you envision for your child.

Specific questions emerged from the meeting. We provide some information below to respond to these questions. We strongly considered your feedback when making these decisions. Therefore, you may see new opportunities that you did not see before.

Math

Calculus was the preferred course of those students who have already taken pre-calculus. Our own research showed that universities prefer for students to take Probability and Statistics. However, some students were disappointed with this offering. Therefore, all students currently placed in Probability and Statistics can take Calculus during that time through Louisiana Virtual School. Mary Allmon, the math teacher, has agreed to supplement the online learning with extra tutoring and assistance during flex time as students need it. No schedules will need to be changed to make this decision. Students can take the LVS math course during the regularly scheduled math time. Keep in mind that not only do universities consider Probability and Statistics as the next course in the math sequence, but online calculus also requires a \$150 registration fee. However, the decision is yours, and you have the freedom to choose.

Science

Some of you preferred to take Chemistry II instead of Biology II. The science course sequence according to the State of Louisiana includes Physical Science, Biology I, Chemistry I and Physics. After these courses are taken, any additional sciences are determined on student interest and school offerings. For this year, St. Frederick is offering Biology II as the fifth science course if you would like to take a fifth year. We are not offering Chemistry II this year as a fifth course. You can choose to take Chemistry II through Louisiana Virtual School for an additional \$150 but St. Frederick is offering a fifth science course for your tuition. Taking Chemistry II is a preference. Biology II is what will be offered.

Electives

Students have the new opportunity this year to choose from a variety of courses for electives. This is a new experience for our St. Frederick students that will allow them to explore their personal interests. Yellow choice sheets were distributed at the Parent Orientations. However, many course sheets were not returned. In addition, students have not been able to get their first choices because of when their elective time was and when the elective course was offered. Therefore, to give students a chance to choose from specific classes and to give them a chance to choose who else is in their classes, we will have an electives choice time before every period on Monday and Tuesday. When a student has an elective for a class period, they should come to the front hall by the office and sign up for one of the electives offered at that period. They can consider who else is scheduled for the class and consider what their choices are. We look forward to giving this time to students so they can make informed decisions.

Cheerleading and Tennis

Those students participating in tennis and cheerleading were given time during the school day for practice. However, many tennis students have their own coaches and would like to attend an elective instead of working with a different coach. Many cheerleaders would prefer to practice after school rather than have rigorous exercise at the beginning of their school day. Therefore, tennis and cheerleading time have been removed from the academic day. If a tennis or cheerleading student would still like this time during the school day, we can accommodate with our school tennis coach or athletic coach supervising cheerleaders. We will meet with each student on Monday and Tuesday for students to let us know of their final decisions.

During the day on Monday and Tuesday, each student will visit the office to meet with Mrs. Southern or Mrs. Coker to finalize any scheduling needs beyond those discussed in this letter. Seniors and Juniors will be called to finalize scheduled courses on Monday. Sophomores and Freshmen will be called to finalize their schedules on Tuesday. All teachers are aware of possible schedule changes and student movement so no child will be penalized for missing class time.

Please remember that the faculty at St. Frederick is on your side and that the leadership wants to provide what you need to prepare for the next stage of your child's life. We have the same goals, and we pray daily that we can meet the needs of every student.

Please wait until your child is able to meet with Mrs. Southern or Mrs. Coker on Monday and Tuesday before making an appointment at the school regarding schedules. Hopefully, we can save you time and worry by taking care of this during our regularly scheduled time with your children.

Sincerely,
Lisa Patrick, Principal



UNIFORM UPDATE

What is a Mass uniform?

A Mass uniform is the white button down shirt tucked in for boys and girls. Boys wear a tie and a belt. Girls wear the plaid skirt and white shirt tucked into the skirt.

What do we wear when it is not a Mass Day?

When it is not a Mass Day, students may not only wear their mass uniform, but they may also wear the navy golf style shirt, untucked, with khaki pants or shorts and a belt. Girls may also wear the navy golf polo style shirt with the plaid skirt, but ALL shirts worn with skirts must be tucked in.



OPTIONS

How were electives chosen? Warriors chose electives by rating elective options available. Here is a list of elective courses available by schedule:

A DAY

1st Period - LVS Courses, Weightlifting, Family & Consumer Science

2nd Period - LVS Psych/Soc, Weights, DE Spanish, Family & Consumer Science

3rd Period - LVS, DE Psych/Soc

4th Period - LVS, Psych/Soc, Family & Consumer Science, Art, Law Studies

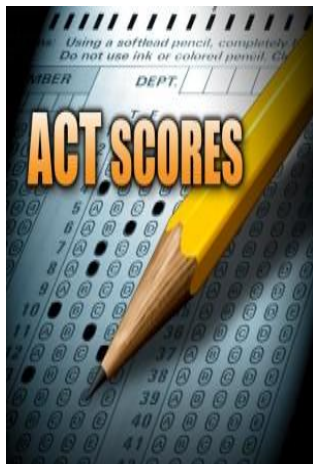
A DAY

5th Period - LVS, Art, Family & Consumer Science, Choir, Weights

6th Period - LVS, Strings, Photography, Family & Consumer Science, Weights

7th Period - LVS, Family & Consumer Science, Sports Medicine I

8th Period - LVS, Photography, Sports Medicine I



DID YOU KNOW?

SFHS average ACT Score is 24.3? The state average is 20.2!



GO WARRIORS!



Monday	August 15	ADAY
Tuesday	August 16	B DAY
Wednesday	August 17	ADAY
Thursday	August 18	B DAY
Friday	August 19	ADAY
Monday	August 22	B DAY
Tuesday	August 23	ADAY
Wednesday	August 24	B DAY
Thursday	August 25	ADAY
Friday	August 26	B DAY

All students first full day is Monday, August 15th. It is a MASS DAY. Wear your Mass uniform!



Where do I go once I get to school?

Students report the gym upon arrival to school.

Duty teachers will be there to greet you! School hours are from 8:00-3:30.

Bell Schedule

7th & 8th Grades

8:00-9:30	1 st Period
9:35-9:45	Break
9:50-11:15	2 nd Period
11:20-12:45	3 rd Period
12:45-1:05	Lunch
1:10-2:35	4 th Period
2:35-3:30	Flex

9th & 10th Grades

8:00-9:30	1 st Period
9:35-11:00	2 nd Period
11:00-11:35	Lunch &
Break	
11:40-1:05	3 rd Period
1:10-2:35	4 th Period
2:35-3:30	Flex

11th & 12th Grades

8:00-9:30	1 st Period
9:35-11:00	2 nd Period
11:05-12:30	3 rd Period
12:30-1:05	Lunch &
Break	
1:10-2:35	4 th Period
2:35-3:30	Flex

The Lord is with you mighty warrior. ~Judges 6:12

