



Deer Park Jr/Sr High School
Counselors' Corner
Welcome Back!
Week of August 17, 2020



Important Information from the Counseling Office

Our Office is Open . . . We look forward to helping all of our students in any way we can! However, because our office space is small, we do need to limit the number of people in the guidance office. Students are going to be directed to either send an email to their appropriate counselor requesting a meeting or to ask the teacher they are currently with to send a message. We will then call the student down as soon as we are available. Scheduling issues should be handled per the process described below.

New Students: Welcome to our Incoming 7th-Grades and Our New to the District Students! If you missed the email that went out last week, see below for a copy of the email.

Schedules: Schedules for students will be distributed in 1st bell on the 1st day of class. We would like for all students, including incoming 7th graders, to check Schoology after the 17th to identify their 1st bell. There will also be signs of class rosters posted. If a student loses his/her schedule, there are also QR signs to request a new PDF copy to be emailed to them. Please also know that further schedule adjustments to accommodate class sizes may be needed; we appreciate everyone's understanding.

Schedule Adjustments: If a student has a schedule change request, there are QR codes posted in the hallways and classrooms for students to scan. Unless there is an open bell on a student's schedule and has no place to report (a student did not get scheduled into any class 4th bell), students should not come to the office for schedule changes. Schedule changes for Jr High students are extremely limited.

Tech & Locker Support: We understand that the start of the school year can often have some tech hiccups. If your student has challenges accessing Schoology, their Gmail, or Final Forms, please advise them to email at: techhelp@dpccsd.org. If there is a problem with your student's locker, they should report this issue to their 1st bell teacher who will relay the information to the office and maintenance staff.



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New Student and 7th Grade Important Information

Welcome to Deer Park Junior/Senior High School!

We know that this year is a very strange start, but we want to provide you with some information on how to access your schedule, email and other important information. Below is some important information regarding students accounts and tours, with some helpful links on the next page. Again, welcome to the Junior/Senior High School!

Account Information:

Once enrolled, students are set-up in **Google and Schoology** using their district email address. Please note that even though a student email ends in “@dpccsd.org,” this is actually a Gmail address. If there are students with exact last names and similar first names, then our tech department adds the next letter or two in the student’s first name.

Google/Email Login

Username/address: lastname.firstinitial@dpccsd.org

Example: John Smith: smith.j@dpccsd.org

Example: John Smith and James Smith: smith.jo@dpccsd.org & smith.ja@dpccsd.org

Student passwords for their Google account are student ID#s (lunch codes) with a double-zero added to the front. The password does not change from Amity to the Junior High. For our new students, the counseling department will send parent/guardian emails with student ID codes.

Example Password: 00123456 (As always, please keep this password secure)

Schoology

This is our system for providing students and parents/guardians information on grades, assignments and schedules. Prior to school starting, your student should be able to log into their Schoology account using their Google account. To do so, students must first log into their school Google account (see above). Then, students should go to the link below. Students will then be directed to login using their school Google account.

<https://deerpark.schoology.com/>



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Parents/guardians need to create their own account to see student progress (see next page). Our new to the district parents/guardians will receive an access code via email from the guidance office. There is also an app that parents/guardians can download for Schoology. Parent/guardian Schoology accounts also allow parents/guardians to set up notifications for missing assignments, low grades, and weekly reports.

Schedules and Lockers

On August 17th, schedules will be made active in Schoology. Students should then access Schoology to identify their 1st bell course (listed as either Section 1, 10 or 11). There will also be signs posted at each entrance listing the student name and first bell room number. All students will receive a hard copy of their schedule in 1st bell on the first day of school. Schedules will have locker numbers, locker combinations, and school fees. Please continue to check for emails and the Deer Park website for details regarding the daily bell schedule and other pertinent information.

Orientation

While we cannot host a traditional 7th grade or New Student orientation, we invite you to check out these video tours of our building and meet some of the staff. This link will be made live Friday, the 14th, in the afternoon.

[Flip Grid Link](#)

Important Links:

- [Schoology Link and Sign-Up Info for Parents](#) and [Helpful Hints Video](#)
- Combination Lock Practice: The link below works really well on a smartphone for students who have never used a combination lock before. Student can practice the process and, when they get their paper copy of the schedule, it will be much easier for them to do:
<https://www.hoodamath.com/games/combinationlock.html>

Junior High Links and Support

- [Supply List Link](#) (Junior High Only). HS students will get supply list from their various teachers once school starts.
- [Class Dojo Link](#) (Junior High Only): Class Dojo is an easy and fast communication system between parents/guardians and teachers. It is also a great way to recognize students. Dojo Points can be given when students participate, are helpful, etc. and these can lead to awards. If you are parent/guardian of a junior high student, please make sure to get connected (email Mrs. Sullivan if you're not: sullivan.c@dpcsd.org).