Opening of School Information 2015

- <u>2015-2016 Calendar</u> The most up-to-date information on school events and activities is posted on our website throughout the year: <u>www.holyghostprep.org</u>. All events will be posted on the website. Our Summary Calendar can be accessed <u>here</u> and through quicklinks.
- <u>Aramark Dining Hall Pin Number</u> will be included in the July 24 email. You can view specific information about your son's account under the Useful Information box in the Parent Portal.
- <u>PowerSchool</u> PowerSchool access for students and parents will greatly improve our ability to monitor progress and performance in school. Everyone stays connected: students are encouraged to stay on top of assignments and parents are able to participate more fully in their son's progress. Access to PowerSchool can be gained through HGP's Quicklinks tab. Individual access information will be included in the July 24 email.
- <u>Books</u> Follett Virtual Bookstores, HGP's on-line bookstore, will launch on August 1 (<u>www.efollett.com</u>). Juniors and Seniors should compare their class and teacher schedule with the booklist to determine which books they will need to purchase before the start of the 2015-2016 school year. Students are reminded that they are to purchase the correct edition (see HGP booklist on our website for exact information) of each book and have books in hand for the first week of classes. Your teachers will expect you to have the correct books with you from the very beginning of the school year and are mandatory for the successful completion of the class.

All Freshman and Sophomore books will be provided by Holy Ghost Prep as per our BYOD policy.

State textbooks are given out in class and not listed on the Follett Bookstore website.

THURSDAY, August 27: FRESHMAN ORIENTATION, DAY 1, 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM

All ninth graders should report to the Chapel of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit by 8:00 AM to begin a day of welcome, food, fun, and community, which will include Mass in the Chapel. Dress is casual (jeans, shorts, tee shirts, sneakers but no exaggerated hair, clothing or body styles). Break and lunch will be provided by Campus Ministry and Guidance. Spiritan Summer Readings will be discussed. Please make sure to bring the reading and your notes.

FRIDAY, August 28: FRESHMAN ORIENTATION, DAY 2, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Regular Full Dress Code with blazers. **Photo ID/Portraits will be taken**. Schedules and other sensitive information will be emailed on July 24 and should be brought with you on the first day of classes. Program begins at 8:00 AM in the Chapel. Breakfast and Break food will be available for purchase through ARAMARK.

MONDAY, August 31: ALL STUDENTS, FULL DAY OF CLASSES

The first school day for all returning students is a full day of classes on Monday, August 31. **All students should report to the Chapman Arena by 8:00 AM** for an assembly and prayer service. Schedules and other sensitive information will be emailed on July 24 and should be brought with you on the first day of classes. Break and lunch food will be available for purchase. Dress is full school dress code, but without a blazer. **Dismissal is at 2:30 PM.**

TUESDAY, September 1: ALL STUDENTS, FULL DAY OF CLASSES

All freshmen, sophomores and juniors should report to the Chapman Arena by 8:00 AM for an assembly. Seniors are to report to the Chapel by 8:00 AM. During study halls, sophomores, juniors and seniors will be expected to get their identification pictures/portraits taken. This day is the only day on which the photographers will be at Holy Ghost Prep for identification pictures (ID cards)/portraits for upperclassmen.

Dress is full school dress code, including a blazer (for students getting pictures/ID ONLY!). Students with exaggerated hairstyles (including bleached hair!), facial hair, earrings, other body piercings, "body art", and other

violations of the Holy Ghost Prep dress code will not be issued ID cards. Furthermore, students will be sent home, serve an extended detention, and may be suspended from classes until these problems are remedied.

The photography company will provide ID cards only for those students who get their pictures taken on Friday or Tuesday. A flyer will be mailed to you if you are interested in ordering school pictures. Students should bring the envelope with payment directly to the photographer. Dismissal is at 2:30 PM. Break and lunch food will be available for purchase.

WEDNESDAY, September 2: ALL STUDENTS, FULL DAY OF CLASSES

All freshmen, sophomores and seniors should report to the Chapman Arena by 8:00 AM for an assembly. Juniors are to report to the Chapel by 8:00 AM. Break and lunch food will be available for purchase. Dress is full school dress code, but without a blazer. Dismissal is at 2:30 PM.

Back to School Night will be held for all parents from 7:00 PM to 9:15 PM. The night will begin with a brief introduction in the Firebird Fieldhouse and parents will follow the "A" Day class schedule starting at 7:15 PM.

THURSDAY, September 3: ALL STUDENTS, FULL DAY OF CLASSES

All freshmen, juniors and seniors should report to the Chapman Arena by 8:00 AM for an assembly. Sophomores are to report to the Chapel by 8:00 AM. Break and lunch food will be available for purchase. Dress is full school dress code, but without a blazer. Dismissal is at 2:30 PM.

TRANSPORTATION FOR ALL STUDENTS

Holy Ghost Prep private transportation service and transportation for public school districts will be available starting Thursday, August 27. Please consult the newspaper or your school district for more information.