



## North Warren Jr. / Sr. High School Guidance Office

To: All 7-12 Students and Parents

Welcome Back! 2020-2021 Academic Class Schedule

August 14, 2020

As we begin this academic year, your North Warren Guidance Team, along with each of your teachers is excited to welcome you back to a new and interesting year ahead. When you come to school on Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, you will see that many steps have been taken to ensure the safety and support of all students. One change you will see is that all students will be reporting directly to their first period class for attendance and to start their day.

Student schedules are being mailed home to non-Parent Portal users only, on Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. If you are on the Parent (or Student) Portal, your schedules will be viewable online as of 8/28. If you are having a problem signing into your account, please send an email to [TECHHELP@northwarrencsd.org](mailto:TECHHELP@northwarrencsd.org).

You will receive a physical copy of your final schedule in your ***First Period Class*** on the first day of school. Every attempt has been made to provide all required courses, while accommodating elective requests, too. Please note, that your second semester schedule may include half year electives that will not start until January 2021. (Your 2<sup>nd</sup> semester schedule will be provided to you then). Any courses such as **independent study**, Internships (**CEIP**), **BOCES** programs or Virtual High School (**VHS**) courses will show as a supplemental class that has no actual time period during the day. They appear for reference and for grading only.

If you were scheduled for an ELA or Math lab this year, placement was based on past academic records, and/or administration and /or teacher recommendation. If this is your situation, *most* of the Math and ELA labs are taking place immediately prior to or following lunch. Those who are not scheduled for any labs will remain in lunch.

During the first few days of school, so that we can welcome our new and returning students to the district, we ask that you hold any change requests until Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. **Please note that there is a schedule change deadline date of Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**. This deadline is intended to provide sufficient seat time in academic courses, and to provide all teachers with final class rosters as quickly as possible. Please note that the North Warren scheduling procedures require students to take elective courses instead of study hall where possible. **Please also be advised that due to COVID Scheduling Restrictions, schedule changes will be limited this year.**

On Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, please report to your ***First Period Class*** for attendance and to pick up your finalized schedule. As you enter the building, signs will be posted that have student names and first period classes listed.

In the meantime, please be sure to review your class welcome letter for important information and dates, which can be found in your Google Classroom (details on back) or on the Guidance Website at:

<http://www.northwarrencsd.org/Guidance.html>.

We are looking forward to working with you this year! If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call or email:

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We hope that you have had a good summer and are looking forward to a great year ahead!



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### Guidance Google Classrooms

So that students and parents can be kept up to date with the information that relates to their specific grade level, all will be invited to participate in a Guidance Google Classroom. The purpose of the Guidance Google classroom is to enable us to stay connected with resources, support and information that relate specifically to your grade. Please look for an invitation to join your Guidance Google Classroom in your school email. If you don't see it by September 1<sup>st</sup>, please email Mr. Therio who will resend an invitation to you!

<i>Class</i>	<i>Google Classroom Name</i>
Grade 7	<b>Guidance Grade 7 – NWCS Class of 2026</b>
Grade 8	<b>Guidance Grade 8 – NWCS Class of 2025</b>
Grade 9	<b>Guidance Grade 9 – NWCS Class of 2024</b>
Grade 10	<b>Guidance Grade 10 – NWCS Class of 2023</b>
Grade 11	<b>Guidance Grade 11 – NWCS Class of 2022</b>
Grade 12	<b>Senior Seminar – NWCS Class of 2021</b>

### 2020 – 2021 Student Schedules

For the unique needs of the trans-COVID19 start of our school year, every effort has been made to create student schedules with the following criteria in mind:

1. Student course requests and follow-up meeting(s) last year
2. Graduation Requirements being met
3. COVID Contingency Scheduling (reduced number of students in core classes)

As a result, please be advised that schedule change options will be extremely limited for the upcoming year. When requesting a change, please use the Schedule Change Request Google form in your Guidance Google Classroom. Those that are possible will be accommodated, however, many will simply not be able to take place. Thank you for your understanding as we all transition together back to in-school instruction and learning. Our best wishes for a great and successful year.

Your North Warren Guidance Team

CC: Mr. Caleb Martin, 7-12 Principal