December 14, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

To begin, I wish to thank each of you for your support of a quality educational experience for all of our students during the pandemic. Certainly during the semester 1, the school community has worked through many different barriers to having a successful school experience. The partnership between families and school is essential to the success of carrying out our daily work. As we enter semester 2, we look forward to returning to in person learning as soon as it is safe to do so.

This message contains information about semester 2 schedules, calendars and expectations. On Friday, December 4, MHS sent confirmation to all families regarding their choices for remote or in person learning in the second semester. **The deadline for families to communicate any changes to the previous decision has been extended to Thursday, December 17.** With additional information presented in this parent communication, I felt it was necessary to provide families more time to come to a decision about what is best for their student(s).

## **MHS Bookstore Hours**

The MHS Bookstore is where parents or students may pay fees as needed.

The bookstore services are available each morning from 8am – Noon @ 1500 West Hawley. In the afternoons, bookstore services are available from 1-3pm @ the high school building.

## **Winter Break**

Winter break is scheduled from December 21 until January 1. All D120 buildings will be closed during the entire winter break

## Start of Semester 2

Monday, January 4 is a Teacher Institute day. The first day of student attendance is Tuesday, January 5. Student schedules will be sent home during winter break. I have attached the approved calendar at a glance for semester 2 for your convenience.

As semester 2 begins, MHS will continue with the current remote learning bell schedule. A calendar of Semester 2 Red/Gray days has been posted on <a href="www.d120.org">www.d120.org</a> under Parents>Academic Calendar. This calendar will also be communicated to students and is attached to this message.

District 120 has established metrics to guide the decision of when students will start on a hybrid schedule. MHS will provide an update to families a week in advance of the return date when it is determined. The

schedule below is the hybrid bell schedule which will begin on the first day of student in person attendance. Currently, with the number of students who have indicated a desire for in person learning (54%), MHS would be offering 2 rotating groups. The number of student groups is dependent on the number of families choosing in person instruction. If there is an adjustment in the number of student groups, it will be communicated one week prior to the start of the hybrid schedule.

If there is a dramatic change in the pandemic during semester 2, MHS is committed to reexamining how in person learning can be maximized for all students. If this occurs, we will provide families with the opportunity to change their choice between in person or remote learning.

## Hybrid Schedule

	Monday (Group 1)	Tuesday (Group 1)	Wednesday (Remote)	Thursday (Group 2)	Friday (Group 2)
8:45-9:40	Period 1	Period 2	Period 1: 7:45-8:35	Period 1	Period 2
9:45-10:40	Period 3	Period 4	Period 2: 8:40-9:30 Period 3: 9:35-10:25	Period 3	Period 4
10:45-11:40	Period 5	Period 6	Period 4: 10:30-11:20	Period 5	Period 6
11:45-12:40	Period 7	Period 8	Period 5: 11:25-12:15 Period 6: 12:20-1:10	Period 7	Period 8
12:40-1:25	Lunch	Lunch	Period 7: 1:15-2:05	Lunch	Lunch
1:25-3:20	Asynchronous Student Work	Asynchronous Student Work	Period 8: 2:10-3:00	Asynchronous Student Work	Asynchronous Student Work
	Teacher Office Hours	Teacher Office Hours		Teacher Office Hours	Teacher Office Hours

As we continue to navigate this school year, please continue to send me your questions.

Sincerely, Dr. Anthony Kroll, Principal Mundelein High School