



Vero Beach High Announcements

Thursday, August 10, 2023

Good Morning Vero and welcome to the new school year 2023-2024.

I hope everyone had a great summer with lots of rest and relaxation, so that you are ready to get back into the routine of school full of learning opportunities.

For those of you new to the campus, as you look at your class schedule room numbers, you have a building number followed by a room number. All of the buildings have red building numbers on them outside. For the room number, any rooms in the 100's are downstairs, and any in the 200's are upstairs.

Lunches are again during 5th period when everyone in building 1 and 8 have first lunch and all other buildings 2,3,4, 5, and 7 have second lunch.

Cafeteria lunches must be paid for unless you are eligible for reduced. The forms for reduced lunch are located on the school district website, under food services. If you had reduced lunch last year then your account will remain active for the first 2 weeks of school only.

Laptop distributions are underway this week for 9th and 10th grade only, since all 9th and 10th graders have state testing next week FAST (Florida Assessment of Student Thinking). FAST occurs 3 times in the school year, so it is monitoring your progress over time. Passing the 10th grade FAST in the spring is a graduation requirement. 11th and 12th grade will receive their laptops at the beginning of next week.

Tomorrow, all students will have a review the student code of conduct and a school safety training. In the meantime something to consider:

Every time you speak right, you are training yourself to think right and act right.

- BEFORE YOU ACT, LISTEN
- BEFORE YOU REACT, THINK
- BEFORE YOU CRITICIZE, WAIT
- BEFORE YOU QUIT, TRY

Bus riders: If you are not sure which school bus route and pickup location is assigned to your home address, then go to the "find my bus" tab on the IRC school district website. You need to know your **bus route number** in the afternoon when you go to the bus loop. There are 2 waves of buses, so see the postings in the bus loop on the poles to see if your bus is first wave or second, and where it should be located, in the lineup.

If you are a car rider:

For **Sophomores**: Please have your ride drop off and pickup on 14th street entering from 20th avenue. This is the short road that runs along our baseball fields. There, drop off is at the open gate where the security person is, and there is a covered pedestrian path there that leads directly into campus.

For **Juniors**, drop of and pick up is in front of the administration building.

For **Seniors**, drop off and pickup is in front of the Witt Gym.

Students with cars parking on campus must have a parking sticker obtained from Mrs. Vold. You are not allowed to park on campus in the senior, junior, or sophomore lots otherwise, and you may receive discipline for parking without a sticker and your car may be towed.

Cell Phones:

Cell phones must be silent and away (out of sight) during the class period.

School Issued laptops must be used to perform any electronic functions related to curriculum and classwork. Violations of this policy will result in progressive discipline.

Vaping is not allowed on campus: Violations to this rule this year will receive serious consequences as newly outlined in this year's student code of conduct.

Hall Passes:

1. Each hall pass is handwritten by your teacher.
2. Hall passes are limited for each student, to 3 passes per class per quarter.
3. Passes are not permitted the first or last 10 minutes of each class period, whereby only emergencies are the exception/ emergencies may require a security escort.

Yearbooks are on sale for pre-orders at \$60 at yearbookforever.com. Seniors, you must schedule your senior portraits for the yearbook at dsp-photo.com.

Back to school- Back to the pool! Swim Team try outs/ first practice/ team meeting Tuesday, August 15th 2:30-3:45 at the Gifford pool. Contact Coach Holly for more information.

The first Fighting Indian Football game is next week on Thursday August 17th for the Kickoff classic vs Dwyer HS.

Also keep in mind we want you to get involved in your high school experience, join a sports team, performing arts, or a school club. Club Rush will be at the end of August on the 30th and 31st.

Everyone, make today a great first day of the new school year!