Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

One thing that has remained a constant for us as we plan for our reopening is that change is inevitable! In anticipation that the start of school will be delayed for one week, we've modified our calendar and schedule to reflect the new dates. We will send an email later this week confirming the first day of school. Our proposed modified calendar and schedules are attached.

Please note that our latest information is that Mid-Coast School of Technology still begins on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Our red/white schedule has not changed, and MCST students should plan to attend MCST Sept. 9-11 despite the opening delay at CHRHS. We will be providing bus transportation to CHRHS as usual on those days. We will alert you if MCST decides to delay their opening.

We still plan to use the first four days at CHRHS to begin practicing our new procedures. During our soft opening, we will bring half the students on campus at a time, based on their last name, so we can orient students while also evaluating our plan. We fully intend to learn along with the students and make adjustments to our protocols as necessary.

## **Soft Opening Schedule**

**Wednesday, September 9**th, **MCST first day of school.** We will be providing bus transportation from CHRHS as usual for students who indicated that they need transportation to MCST. We will alert you if MCST decides to delay their opening.

**Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, Remote Student Materials Pick up**. Books, handouts and iPads will be available in the gym, alphabetical by last name. More information will be sent in a separate email.

Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, Freshman Parent Orientation (Virtual). The information about this day remains the same, just the date has changed.

Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, Freshman and New Student Orientation. The schedule for this day remains the same, just the date has changed.

**Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, RED day** – All Red day MCST students will attend MCST in person. All other students with last name from A-K, and White day MCST students L-Z will attend CHRHS in-person or remotely depending on their indicated attendance preference. All other students L-Z, No School.

**Wednesday**, **September 16th WHITE day** – All White day MCST students will attend MCST in person. All other students with last name L-Z, and Red day MCST students A-K will attend CHRHS in-person or remotely based on their indicated attendance preference. All other students A-K, No School.

**Thursday, September 17**<sup>th</sup> **RED day** – All Red day MCST students will attend MCST in person. All other L-Z students attend their **Red day** CHRHS schedule in-person or remotely depending on their indicated attendance preference, all A-K students attend their **Red day** schedule remotely.

**Friday, September 18**<sup>th</sup> **WHITE day** – MCST is closed this day, No School at CHRHS for White day MCST students. All other A-K students attend their **White day** schedule in-person or remotely depending on their indicated attendance preference, all other L-Z students attend their **White day** schedule remotely.

## **Activities**

- Introduce and practice all safety precautions and new procedures and complete the attached Social Contract.
- Meet teachers and review course expectations. Reconnect with teachers and friends.
- Distribute iPads and ID cards, schedules and any necessary paperwork.
- Practice online platforms and new learning methods.
- Review Bus safety protocols- masks, one student per seat and sanitizing hands.
- Practice Breakfast and Lunch procedures- how and where to purchase food.

Over the coming days, we will be sending out more information about the details of our opening plan, including meal purchasing options, and changes to the traffic flow if you are driving to CHRHS. We will do our best to keep you informed but not overwhelmed by emails.

Remember that all emails and documents pertaining to the opening of school (including the revised 20-21 Calendar and bell schedules for the first 4 days) are posted on our website under the **School Opening 2020-21** button at the top left of the home page.