



Synergy Times

Important Dates

Mon. Sept 7th: Labor Day, school is not in session
Wed. Sept 16th: 2 hour early release
Wed. Sept 23rd: Mid-term 1
Fri. Sept 24th: Parent/Teacher Conferences
Fri. Oct 23rd: End of term 1

General Information

- Need help linking to the parent portal: portalhelp@jcsxhools.us
- Link to Synergy Team Open house:
- [How to clean your Chromebook](#)
- [Parents' Guide to Google Classroom](#)
- [Parents' Guide to Infinite Campus](#)
- [Synergy Team Website](#)
- [Encore teacher links](#)
- Email addresses
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Letter Regarding iPad/Chromebook insurance:

<https://www.jcschools.us/cms/lib/M001909951/Centricity/Domain/43/one2oneriskLetter.pdf>

Reminders

- Students will need a backpack this year as we will not be using lockers. Students will carry backpacks with them from class to class.
- Though we encourage students to leave cellular and other electronic devices at home, should they need to bring them to school, we ask that those devices stay within their backpacks throughout the course of the school day. Should parents need to contact students during school hours, the appropriate method of contact is through the front office.

- Please remind students that their foreheads need to be exposed as they enter the building so the thermal cameras may take their temperature upon entering the building.
- Students are encouraged to bring 1 to 2 clean masks with them to school each day. Students are expected to wear their masks in the hallways and anywhere a social distance of 6 feet cannot be maintained.
- Please have students charge their Chromebooks each night at home and leave their chargers at home during the school day so they do not get misplaced.
- As students will be taking their Chromebooks home each evening, and to school each day, the district highly encourages the purchase of insurance to help protect the device. [One2One Risk Insurance](#)
- Please have students bring their CB with them to school each day
- Please encourage students to bring a hoodie or sweater with them to school as temperatures fluctuate in classrooms.

Teachers' Notes

Mrs. Tyree: As a department, the 8th grade math team has decided to go digital this year. Doing so allows for more timely, almost instant, feedback for your student about the mastery of skills leaving more class time for instruction and answering questions. So far, most students seem to be enjoying the experience although it hasn't been without its challenges. With that said, I stand amazed at the resilience and positive attitude this year's classes bring to the classroom. I look forward to working with your students and watching them grow academically during this school year!