

Dorado Families,

A new year is here and the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year is underway. While I know that the shift back to remote learning and full time Zoom instruction has been a change, I have been impressed by our attendance and engagement this week. I have had the chance to slip into a few Zoom sessions to watch your students and our teachers working together to keep those brains engaged. Our teachers are working tirelessly to prepare for daily instruction and integrate as many digital learning tools as possible. I want to thank them for all of their preparation to get this this semester started.

Here are a few important topics for you to review:

### **Return to Remote and Superintendent's letter:**

I also want to thank our students and families for stepping up to another "new" way of learning, accepting the challenge, and making the best of an already difficult situation. As you already know, our tentative date to return to Hybrid instruction is set for February 1<sup>st</sup>. This communication was sent out to families from our district at the start of this week. I have attached the letter from our Superintendent for you to reference. Please understand that our district did not take this decision lightly and they have worked closely with Pima County Health officials throughout this entire process. PCHD informed all Superintendents that COVID-19 conditions in the county are such that we have been advised that returning to remote learning is the safest option at this time. We understand that this is by no means an ideal situation for our families and that we will do everything we can to continue to provide your students with meaningful and consistent quality instruction.

### **Wednesdays:**

- The Online Bell Schedule is attached to this email.
- Every Wednesday in January is an "Early Out" Wednesday with shortened classes and a release time of 1:20 pm.
- Wednesdays will provide shortened lessons, but will again be provided through Zoom every period. Previously, Wednesdays were a combination of Zoom meetings, Google Classroom activities, or student conferences. Students are expected to log on to their Zoom classes for instruction during every period.

### **Zoom Expectations:**

- Your students are already very familiar with this type of learning as we started this school year with the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter being in our "Online by Necessity" model. This time around, the difference is that we are shifting our delivery of instruction to provide **more opportunities for daily engagement** for your student.
- We have online **instruction via Zoom for every class, every day**. There are no longer be "A" and "B" days. All students will follow our online bell schedule and will receive instruction and engagement every day.
- Please anticipate that your students will be attending their Zoom classes online for at least half of the scheduled bell period, before being provided with individual work time.
- We have provided 10-minute passing periods to allow teachers and students to have breaks from the screen, in addition to an extended "conference time" on Wednesdays.

- Students will likely be participating in “break out” rooms, group discussions, and online conferences with teachers.
- Google Classroom will continue to be a “home base” for assignments, communication and progress reports.
- Students are expected to have their cameras on during class instruction, unless otherwise noted by the teacher.
- **Technology Needs:** Any student or family in need of a device with a camera and microphone can check out a Chromebook from CDO. Please email Assistant Principal Marco Dominguez at [mdominguez@amphi.com](mailto:mdominguez@amphi.com) to request your device!

#### **Attendance:**

- We are taking attendance every period, every day. Student attendance will be marked by ZOOM ATTENDANCE AND ENGAGEMENT, following the “Online by Necessity” Bell Schedule.
- Please continue to call the absence line (696-5570) to report any absences from online learning due to appointments, illness, technology issues, etc.

#### **Registration process:**

- Over the next few weeks, students will be working in their English classes to review course offerings for the 2021-2022 school year.
- All current 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders will be completing course requests online.
- On Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, all **JUNIORS** will be meeting with counselors to review the course registration process and will have the week to complete their choices.
- Students will be filling out a Google Form that will be due at the end of the week.
- The schedule for the 2021-2022 course selection process is as follows:
  - **Juniors** meet with Counselors on 1/11, with course selections due by 1/15
  - **Sophomores** meet with Counselors on 1/19, with course selections due by 1/22
  - **Freshmen** meet with Counselors on 1/25, with course selections due by 1/29
- The course catalog with all CDO courses can be viewed by clicking on this link: <https://www.amphi.com/cms/lib/AZ01901095/Centricity/Domain/3970/21.22%20Course%20Catalog%2012.21.20.pdf>
- Course selections are used to create the master schedule of classes for the 2021-2022 school year. Some courses may not be available, based on the number of requests or enrollment. In addition, please talk with your student about their choices and commitment to completing these classes. CDO offers year-round classes and will not be changing schedules later if a student chose a class and then changed their mind.

#### **Yearbook Information:**

- **Senior Dedications** are available online at [CDOHS Yearbook Order Center](#). The Deadline for Senior Dedication submission is Friday, January 15, 2021.
- Yearbooks may be **purchased** online at <https://az-amphitheater.intouchreceipting.com/>. Yearbooks may be picked up at CDO the first week of May.
- To **contribute candid or event photos to the yearbook:**
  - Click here for the link: [CLICK HERE](#)
  - Use the school code *CDOYearbook*.
  - You may upload 10 photos.

- Please, indicate the WHO, WHAT, & WHERE the photos were taken so we can review them for submission and include that information with the picture.
- (Please, no senior portraits or senior dedications through this link.)

**Athletics:**

Unfortunately, Arizona Interscholastic Association announced today that Winter Sports has been cancelled “due to statewide hospital capacity concerns.” I have also attached this letter from AIA that explains their decision.

Thank you for choosing to be in our Dorado Family. We know that we are living in unprecedented times right now and it is more important than ever that we continue to work together as a community to get through this!

Please take care and stay safe!

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**Attachments:**

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[messages/attachments/11b5d3bc2f38a0fbcacf0dc1713387d5/Superintendent\\_Update\\_1.4.2020.pdf](#) (146.8 KB)

[messages/attachments/a5a9239d0fdcd953f46ffa2c11571119/Online\\_Bell\\_Schedule\\_January.pdf](#) (647.7 KB)