



# NANSEMOND RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

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August 14, 2019

Dear Parents:

Your child's schedule for the 2019-2020 school year will be **available for pick-up on August 19, 2019 between 8am and 5pm**. We have tried very hard to honor all requests; however, there may have been conflicts with classes that your child requested. We will be completing schedule changes **only** for conflicts and missing classes. We will not change schedules for those requesting teacher changes or class block changes. Online schedule change requests will begin at 8:00 a.m. on August 19, 2019. Once you make your request online, counselors will approve/disapprove changes and make them in the system. The updated copy with approved changes will be available on August 29, 2019 at Open House. If a counselor has any questions, you will receive a call or email. The google link is <https://forms.gle/24mu54ctJvumUDeC7>. You will receive confirmation that the request was received and another email will be sent when your request is processed.

If you do not have access to a computer, a schedule change form will be available in the front office as well as the school counseling office. You may complete the form and leave it with the secretaries. The school counselors will work on the changes and contact you regarding your schedule. Seniors requesting an early dismissal should complete the attached early dismissal form and submit it to the school counseling office. Early dismissals **will not** be granted until approval from Mr. O'Leary has been obtained.

As always, our main goal every year is to provide a safe and orderly environment so that our children can reach their full potential. We do not expect students to hinder or disturb the learning and teaching processes. ALL students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that is respectful of themselves, others, the school's rules, and the policies of the school division. We ask that each parent review the school division's student handbook with your child, **paying close attention to the attendance policy, personal equipment/electronic device policy, and student dress and grooming.**

There will be times during the school year that you will need to talk to someone at school about your child. We want to assure you that communication between the school and home is a top priority for us. If you have a concern, please contact one of us so that we can help. On the following pages you will find important information for the coming weeks. **As always, if you have any questions, please call 923-4101 and ask to speak to one of us.**

Sincerely,

Daniel O'Leary, Jr., *Principal*  
Janice Bibbo, Michael Milteer, Tara Firth, *Assistant Principals*  
Henry Brent, *Dean of Students*

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## ATTENDANCE POLICY



**Your child's attendance is extremely important; therefore, we will be monitoring his/her attendance very closely by utilizing:**

- ✓ An automated messaging system that will contact you when your child is absent from school.
- ✓ Attendance reports will be generated to identify students that may be in violation of the attendance policy. Then, the Attendance Clerk, Administrator, or designated personnel will meet with those students to discuss their absences.
- ✓ Letters will be mailed to the parents, advising them that their child may be in violation of the attendance policy and what action is needed.
- ✓ **If your child is absent from school, documentation for his/her absence must be submitted within 5 days of the absence.** If documentation is not received within 5 days of the absence, then the absence will not be excused. Your child should place the documentation in the locked box located on the counter in the main office.
- ✓ If your child has a doctor, dentist, court, or counseling appointment; we require official documentation from that office. If you forget, they may fax it to us at 538-5430. It will be your responsibility to follow up on the faxed documentation. We will not accept any handwritten notes for these absences.
- ✓ If your child is absent due to a death in the family, we ask that you submit the memorial program from the service or the obituary along with the excuse note.

**\*ALTERED OR FORGED NOTES WILL RESULT IN A STUDENT BEING RECOMMENDED FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR EXPULSION HEARING.**

### **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ATTENDANCE REGULATIONS/PROCEDURES**

**Please be aware that a forged or altered excuse note from a doctor's office is a felony. Therefore, the submission of forged or altered excuse notes from a doctor's office or any other office will result in a student being suspended out of school, with a recommendation for an expulsion hearing. Furthermore, the school division may choose to proceed with criminal charges.**

## Dates and General Information

**August 29**

Rescheduled Freshmen Orientation (9:00- 10:30)

**August 29**

Back to School Open House (12:00-3:00). Come out and meet your child's teachers.

Fees can be paid and parents can register for Home Access Center (the progress monitoring system providing parental access to student academics and attendance)

**September 3**

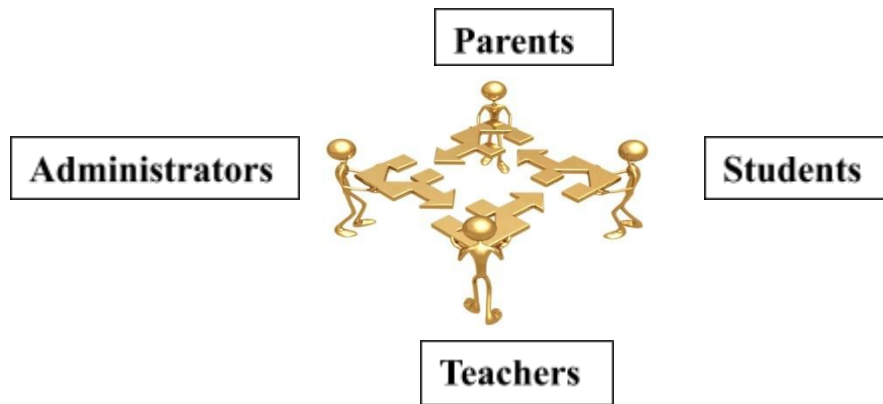
First day of school. School hours are 8:20-3:00. All students must report to their homeroom by 8:20. When we leave homeroom we will start an **ODD Day**.

- PE uniforms are \$17 for S–XL, \$19 for XXL, and \$20 for XXXL.
- Lock rental for hall locker is \$5 and will be issued by the first block teacher.
- Lock rental for PE lockers is \$5 and will be issued by the PE teacher.
- Parking permits for students who drive will be \$35. Please see Mr. E. Young.
- **SENIOR Information Night is September 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**
- PSAT Testing is October 16, 2019.
- ASVAB Testing will be February 3, 2020.
- SAT and ACT testing dates and registration deadlines:

Test Date - SAT	Registration Deadline	Test Date- ACT	Registration Deadline
October 5, 2019	September 5, 2019	October 26, 2019	September 20, 2019
November 2, 2019	October 3, 2019	December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019

- **Student dress code will be in the Nansemond River section of the student handbook. These are special points of interest:**
  - ✓ All pants must be worn at the waistline.
  - ✓ No hats or head coverings of any kind shall be worn in the building.
  - ✓ Shirts and blouses must include at least 3” width on shoulders, garments (which includes skirts, dresses, and shorts) must not reveal any exposed skin 2” above the knee while standing. Leggings, jeggings, and workout clothes must be covered with a long shirt, skirt, or dress that covers the buttocks.
  - ✓ Clothing must not reveal undergarments such as underwear, bras, and white undershirts. This includes any article of clothing that does not cover the midriff, back, reveals cleavage, sags below the beltline, or is sheer.
- ***B. Y. O. D. --- PERSONAL EQUIPMENT AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES POLICY***
  - Devices can be used during transition time between classes, in the cafeteria during breakfast and lunch, and before school/after school. HOWEVER, these devices can ONLY be used in the CLASSROOM for instructional purposes AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TEACHER.
  - Using the device to misrepresent an individual, harass or bully, or promote illicit activity will be unacceptable. School officials will take possession of personal equipment or an electronic device for any violation of this guideline.
  - Failure by students to turn in the personal equipment or electronic device when asked by any staff member can result in an out of school suspension for two (2) days.
  - Parents are responsible for picking up confiscated devices between 3:15–4:00 pm. Disciplinary action includes but is not limited to:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> OFFENSE — Parent must pick up the device
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> OFFENSE — Academic Behavior Center (ABC) and parent must pick up the device
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> OFFENSE — Out of School Suspension (OSS) and parent must pick up the device
  - Suffolk Public Schools is NOT responsible in any circumstance for the loss/destruction/damage or theft of a device or for any bill associated with the authorized or unauthorized use of a device.

# P A R E N T ' S   C O R N E R



**In an effort to assist you in staying connected with events at Nansemond River High School, we offer you the following:**

- 1) NRHS Website: Visit our website at <https://nrhs.spsk12.net>;

 <https://www.facebook.com/NansemondRiverHighSchool/>;

 <https://twitter.com/nrwarriors?lang=en>

- 2) Daily Announcements: Announcements are posted on the website each morning.
- 3) Home Access Center: Sign up and stay up to date with your child's attendance and grades. Attendance and grade triggers can be set up to automatically alert you via email regarding your child's attendance and grades. To register, please come to school, complete the HOME ACCESS CENTER form, and bring a picture ID or driver's license.
- 4) School Messenger: NRHS utilizes a communication system entitled School Messenger that allows NRHS to send important messages to parents during the school year.
- 5) E-mail and Teacher Websites/Blogs: The NRHS Website has a listing of all faculty and an e-mail address link and/or website/blog link. As always, if you have any questions, please call us directly at 923-4101.
- 6) Meet with your child's school counselor:

Cohort	Counselor's Name	E-mail Address
PLTW, Special populations	Mrs. Cruey	mary-lindacruey@spsk12.net
Class of 2020	Ms. Phiri	chaunaphiri@spsk12.net
Class of 2021	Mr. Lomax	gregorylomax@spsk12.net
Class of 2022	Mrs. Britt	mariabritt@spsk12.net
Class of 2023	Ms. Porter	trinitaporter@spsk12.net
ACCESS Advisor	Ms. Harvin	charvin@accesscollege.org
Paul D. Camp Career Coach	Mrs. Brown	cbrown@pdc.edu



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## EARLY RELEASE REQUEST

Early Release is a privilege that may be requested by SENIORS. The principal has the final authority in granting this request based on the number of credits/SOL's the student has earned, the student's attendance record, and the ability of the school to arrange the student's schedule. Due to limited flexibility in the school's schedule, a student may not be able to have his/her classes arranged to allow for Early Release. If granted Early Release, the student must leave the school grounds no later than the tardy bell. Therefore, dependable transportation must be available. Failure to leave the school grounds before the tardy bell may result in the cancellation of the early release privilege, and a study hall will be scheduled. **Early release will NOT be granted to students who have not verified the required SOL's, Community Service Hours, and Industry Credential for graduation.** Once SOL requirements are met, consideration will be given to approval of early release.

- **College Release—Please attach your college schedule AND the request for Approval of Dual Enrollment Courses form.**

I request that my student, \_\_\_\_\_, be allowed to take only \_\_\_\_\_ classes for the 2019-2020 school year and be allowed Early Release after his/her last class of each day. I understand that this request must be approved by the principal and requires the following:

- The student will have sufficient **standard credits, SOL credits, Industry Credentialing, and have submitted documentation of at least 50 hours of community service** to graduate in June 2020;
- The student's schedule can be arranged to allow for Early Release;
- Transportation will be provided daily;
- The student will leave the school grounds no later than the tardy bell.

**I understand that if this request is granted and my child does not leave the school grounds by the tardy bell, this privilege will be cancelled.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Email

**Return form to the school counseling office.**

\*\*\*\*\*OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*\*\*

**This request is: APPROVED / DISAPPROVED**

**The student will leave at \_\_\_\_\_ on odd days and at \_\_\_\_\_ on even days.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Daniel O'Leary, Jr., Principal**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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## Season Tickets

1. Season tickets are *non-transferable* and when requested, must be presented with a photo ID for admittance at the pass/ticket gate. Facility capacity limits enforced.
2. This pass DOES NOT include any entrance to post-season tournaments, invitational tournaments or away games.
3. Checks or money orders should be made payable to **Nansemond River High School**.

**Family Athletic Event Pass:** These passes are for a maximum of five members of a single household. Good for all regular season events.

**Price: \$150.00**

**Student Athletic Individual Pass:** These passes are offered to current NRHS students.

**Price: \$50.00**

**Football “Season Only” Pass:** These passes admit one to all Varsity and JV home football games this year.

**Price: \$30.00**

**Basketball “Season Only” Pass:** These passes admit one to all Boys and Girls JV and Varsity home basketball games this year.

**Price: \$40.00**

**Volleyball “Season Only” Pass:** These passes admit one to all JV and Varsity Volleyball games this year.

**Price: \$30.00**

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## Season Ticket Application

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Ticket Type:  **Family Pass**  
5 members maximum/all reg.  
season games

**Student Pass**  
all reg. season games

**Football ONLY Pass**

**Basketball ONLY Pass**

**Volleyball ONLY Pass**

Cost: Family= \$150.00  
Football= \$30.00  
Basketball= \$40.00

Student/Individual= \$50.00  
Volleyball= \$30.00

**Ticket Holder's Name**

(Please Print)

**Ticket ID #**

(Office Use Only)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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4. \_\_\_\_\_

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5. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Total Due: \$** \_\_\_\_\_ (#Tickets x Cost per ticket= Total Due)

(Office Use Only)

Purchaser's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_