



2021-22 Opening of School

Parent Orientation

Wednesday, August 25, 2021

6:30 p.m.

Welcome to the DePaul Prep 2021-2022 School Year!

- **Prayer - Ms. Merkel-Deutsch**
- **Introductions & Welcome - Ms. Mary Dempsey, President**
 - Administrative Team
 - Parent Association President

Getting to Know DePaul Prep

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Guiding Principles for the Opening DePaul Prep this Fall:

- A Healthy and Safe Return to School and Environment for All
- Continued Development of our DePaul Community and Culture with our Families
- An Uninterrupted School Year and Academic Success and Wellness for Students

Orientation Focus Areas

- ❖ Vincentian Day Registration/Review of Student Schedules
- ❖ Technology Skills/Apps
- ❖ Introduction to Advisory/Bio Data Needs Assessment
- ❖ Student Behavior Policies
 - Attendance/Dress Code/Cell Phone Policy/Code of Conduct/Academic Integrity
- ❖ Introduction to [Culture of Academic Achievement, Support & Accountability](#)/Resource Hub/Academic Support
- ❖ Living Core Values & Vincentian Charism
- ❖ Team Building/Student Government/School Spirit

New This Year:

Culture of Academic Achievement, Support & Accountability

- ❖ 4 Core Academic Behaviors
 - Self Awareness
 - Self-Management
 - Responsible Decision Making
 - Ability to Communicate
- ❖ This document describes what each behavior *looks and sounds* like
- ❖ Goal: To Create **Independent Learners**

Support: New Additions this Year

Resource Hub, Carlson Library - Tier 2 Interventions

- ❖ Tutoring available in different content areas each period of the day
- ❖ Open for homework completion before and after school
- ❖ Will house our Academic Support Program
 - When students demonstrate that they are struggling, they will be assigned to 1 week of Academic Support
 - Weekly grade checks will be the data used to determine assignment to Academic Support

Support: Academic Support Program

- ❖ Students who appear on weekly grade checks with 2 or more Ds or an F for 3 consistent weeks will be assigned to Academic Support **for 1 week**
- ❖ Mornings from 7:00 a.m. until 7:40 a.m. MT.TH, F
 - Wednesday from 11:00 - 11:40 on Vincentian days
- ❖ Academic Support attendance is required and prioritized above all other extra-curriculars
- ❖ In following weeks 5-8, student must demonstrate the ability to maintain all grades at a C

Accountability: Academic Warning

- ❖ Weeks 5-8: If a student continues to earn 2 or more Ds or an F, they progress to **Academic Warning**

- ❖ **What happens then?**
 - Staffing with parents, student, teachers of classes student is struggling in, counselor
 - 4 week intervention plan is created
 - Student has 4 weeks to demonstrate improvement and move all grades to a C or higher
 - Interventions are implemented at school & home
 - Grades are monitored

Accountability: Academic Probation

- ❖ Weeks 9-13: If a student continues to earn 2 or more Ds or an F, they progress to **Academic Probation**

- ❖ **What happens then?**
 - **2nd** Staffing with parents, student, teachers of classes student is struggling in, counselor
 - **2nd** 4 week intervention plan is created with roles and responsibilities
 - Student has an additional 4 weeks to demonstrate improvement and move all grades to a C or higher
 - Interventions are implemented at school & home
 - Grades are monitored

Accountability: Academic Probation

- ❖ Weeks 14-15: If a student persists at carrying 2 or more Ds or an F, enrollment status is re-evaluated

- ❖ **What happens then?**
 - Administrative and counseling teams (case manager if applicable) meet to determine whether DePaul Prep is the right placement for student
 - If a student continually carries 2 or more Ds and/or grades of an F, DePaul Prep is either too rigorous or there are other factors that need to be addressed in order for a student to be academic successful

BLUE DAY

	Start	End
ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:45	7:50
1	7:50	9:10
BRAIN BREAK	9:10	9:20
2	9:20	10:40
A LUNCH	10:45	11:15
STUDY HALL CLUBS	11:20	11:50
B LUNCH	11:20	11:50
3	11:55	1:15
BRAIN BREAK	1:15	1:25
4	1:25	2:45

RED DAY

	Start	End
ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:45	7:50
5	7:50	9:10
BRAIN BREAK	9:10	9:20
6	9:20	10:40
A LUNCH	10:45	11:15
STUDY HALL CLUBS	11:20	11:50
B LUNCH	11:20	11:50
7	11:55	1:15
BRAIN BREAK	1:15	1:25
8	1:25	2:45

RED + BLUE DAYS

- 80 min periods
- 30 min lunch
- 10 min "breaks"
- Study Hall opposite lunch

RED + BLUE WEDNESDAYS

- 70 min periods
- 30 min lunch
- 10 min "breaks"
- Study Hall opposite lunch
- 1 hour mass/pep rally

8 PERIOD DAY

- 35 min periods
- 35 min lunch
- 1 hour mass/pep rally

BLUE RAM DAY (Wed)

	Start	End
ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:45	7:50
1	7:50	9:00
BRAIN BREAK	9:00	9:10
2	9:10	10:20
A LUNCH	10:25	10:55
STUDY HALL CLUBS	11:00	11:30
B LUNCH	11:00	11:30
3	11:35	12:45
BRAIN BREAK	12:45	12:55
4	12:55	2:05
MASS/PEP RALLY	2:10	3:10

RED RAM DAY (Wed)

	Start	End
ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:45	7:50
5	7:50	9:00
BRAIN BREAK	9:00	9:10
6	9:10	10:20
A LUNCH	10:25	10:55
STUDY HALL CLUBS	11:00	11:30
B LUNCH	11:00	11:30
7	11:35	12:45
BRAIN BREAK	12:45	12:55
8	12:55	2:05
MASS/PEP RALLY	2:10	3:10

TOTALS

- RAM Weeks
3:50 instruction
time per class per
weekly color
+
2:40 instruction
time per class
per off color
+
1:00 mass/pep
rally time

Vincentian Weeks
2:40 instruction
time per class
+
3:05 colloquium
time
+
3:00 Faculty
PD/Advisory time

VINCENTIAN DAY (Wed)

	Start	End
FACULTY PD ADVISORY (rotating) DEPT COLLAB	7:45	10:45
LUNCH	10:45	11:45
COLLOQUIUM	12:00	3:05

8 PERIOD DAY w/ MASS/PEP RALLY

	Start	End
ANNOUNCEMENTS	7:45	7:50
1	7:50	8:25
2	8:30	9:05
3	9:10	9:45
4	9:50	10:25
A LUNCH	10:30	11:10
5B	11:15	11:55
B LUNCH	11:15	11:55
6	12:00	12:35
7	12:40	1:15
8	1:20	1:55
MASS/PEP RALLY	2:00	3:00

Wednesday Schedules

2 Types of Wednesdays:

★ All Days are marked on our Website Calendar!!!

Ram Days

- ❖ 70 minute periods/Red or Blue Day
- ❖ Assembly or Mass at end of day from 2:00 -3:00 p.m.

Vincentian Days

- ❖ Advisory for 1 grade level 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- ❖ Vincentian Day Colloquiums 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
- ❖ Professional Development for teachers in a.m.

COVID Protocols: Maintaining A Healthy and Safe Campus

Safety and Prevention Protocols

- Required Face Masks for all indoors
- Masks required for unvaccinated individuals outdoors and during all school related activities, including athletics
- Hand Sanitizing/Handwashing Protocol
- Weekly COVID testing for unvaccinated students

Contact Tracing and Quarantine

Vaccinated students do not have to quarantine if they remain asymptomatic after an exposure *but testing is recommended*

Unvaccinated students must quarantine for 14 days after an exposure. A doctor's note is required for absences to be excused.

Based on data from 2020-21, we know that the majority of exposures happen in two places:

- At home among family members
- During athletic practices

All students who test positive for COVID must quarantine for 10 days. A doctor's note is required for absences to be excused.

Contact Tracing and Quarantine

Contact Tracing:

- ❖ Teachers will create seating charts for all of their classes.
- ❖ Lunch Study Halls will have seating charts
- ❖ Lunch periods will not have seating charts
- ❖ We will ask for a list of students who a student was with if they test positive for COVID to assist with contact tracing

Magnus Health System Update and Input by Families

- ❖ All required medical information must be input by parents into our Magnus Health System
- ❖ Students without full immunizations completed by Oct. 1 will be held out of school until immunizations are updated. No religious exemptions will be honored.
- ❖ School Nurse, Barbara Mulcrone is the contact for all medical issues/questions

State of the School - Mary Dempsey, President of DePaul College Prep

- Enrollment: 960
 - Freshmen 367
 - Sophomores 252
 - Juniors 184
 - Seniors 157
- Tuition Payment Schedule: July-April
- Construction Update: East Wing - on schedule

State of the School

East Wing: On schedule for Sept. 7 start of school

19 additional classrooms

- David J. and Carrie R. Carlson Library
- Philip H. Corboy Hall
- Black Box Theater
- Weight & strength training room
- College and General Counseling Offices
- 450 additional lockers

One Dream, All In:

The Campaign for the Future of DePaul College Prep

- Quiet Phase: June 2019 - August 2021
Exceeded initial goal
- Public Phase: Sept. 2021 - June 2024 New Goal
- Launch: Sept. 13 - 18
- 3 Pillars:
 - Modern Academic Facilities
 - New Athletic Facilities
 - Endowment for Scholarships, Financial Aid, Teacher professional development

Annual Giving: What to Expect?

- **Fund for Excellence Annual Appeal**
 - Launches October 1, 2021
 - Expectation of 100% family participation
 - STEAM Match Gift Challenge, now through 9/7!
- **Special Events** - *throughout the year*
 - Save the Date! **Poker & Casino Night**
Friday, November 5 at Theater on the Lake
- **Other Giving Opportunities** throughout the year including scholarship support and Booster Club and Parent Association fundraisers

Reminders

- Load funds on to your child's My MealTime account
- Continue to update your Magnus account
- Ensure all uniform pieces are ready for school:
 - Navy or white polos
 - Khaki pants
- On Time Arrival at 7:30 am

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Parent Association & Booster Club

- How to get Involved?
 - Contact President, Katie Buino, or parent leadership
 - As a parent, you are automatic members of the Parent Association!
 - Visit www.depaulprep.org/support/parentassociation
- Upcoming Parent Events
 - **Monday, 9/13 - Parent Association Book Club**
 - Reading *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean
 - **Partners in Education Parent Breakfast**
 - Thursday, September 16 & Friday, September 17
- Booster Club
 - Supports athletic teams, academic teams and co-curriculars at DePaul Prep
 - Join the Booster Club today! Blue and White Memberships
 - Visit www.depaulprep.org/support/booster-club
- **Parent Volunteers are in the Commons this morning!**

Parent Questions?



**Thank you for joining
us !
Go Rams!**