Hello Bulldogs and Parents,

My Dad used to always say, "when it's too hot to be outside it's time to go back to school." The weather has certainly gotten hot so that can only mean one thing - it's time to start a new school year. I hope that all of you have had a great summer. I know many students have already been back on campus for summer camps, workouts, Senior pictures and other events. Others of you may still be in full summer mode. Either way, I wanted to take an opportunity to welcome everyone back to school and remind all students and parents of important upcoming dates and events that are quickly approaching.

Thursday - July 27 - <u>Senior Reserved Parking Sales</u>

Prior to July 27th please complete the following:

- Completed Google Parking Application
- Proof of purchase of <u>parking permit and reserved Senior spot</u>
- All outstanding fines and fees must be <u>paid</u> to purchase Sr. reserved parking.

On July 27th you must provide the following:

- COPY of Valid Driver's License
- COPY of current Vehicle Insurance
- Completed <u>reserved parking design</u> for approval

Seniors may begin painting on July 28th from 6:00am - 8:00pm. Seniors may also paint on July 29th and July 30th from 6:00am until 8:00pm. On August 4th painting can begin at 3:00pm - 8:00pm and August 5th Seniors may paint from 2:00pm - 8:00pm due to other events on campus. While some of the approved painting days are all day, we encourage our Seniors to take advantage of cooler temperatures early in the morning or later in the evening.

Friday - August 4th - Schedule Pick Up for Grades 10 - 12

Schedule will be as follows:

- LAST names beginning with A G 12:00 12:45
- LAST names beginning with H O 1:00 1:45
- LAST names beginning with P Z 2:00 2:45

Other information and requirements for schedule pickup:

- All online registration must be completed
- Current Proof of residency must be submitted online
- Pay any outstanding fines or current fees (students must have all outstanding fines and fees paid to receive schedule or purchase a parking permit)
- Pay annual MacBook fee Fees will be loaded into HAC on Aug. 1st.
- Yearbook and Student IDs will be taken

- Purchase Yearbook at Flash Sale pricing
- Purchase Parking Permits or pick up permits that were paid for online

Saturday - August 5th - Dawg Camp for all incoming 9th Graders

We are very excited to welcome our newest Bulldogs to campus. Our day will begin at the Auditorium entrance. Parents - please remember that the morning session is only for our students. You can drop them off at 8:30am and then return at 10:00am for your **High School 101 Parent meeting**. During Dawg Camp our 9th graders will be doing the following:

- Meet staff members and current MNHS students
- Learn what it means to be a Bulldog
- Tour the building
- Take Yearbook and Student ID pictures
- Find out about campus <u>clubs and organizations</u>
- Pay Macbook fees (if not already paid online). Fees will be loaded into HAC on Aug. 1st.
- Schedule Pickup
- Purchase Yearbook at Flash Sale pricing
- Class T-shirt and Spirit Rally

As a reminder, all students attending Dawg Camp should have completed online registration and submitted a current proof of residency **before August 5th.**

Also on August 5th, our MNHS NorthStars will be catering a BBQ lunch for purchase. Use this Dads BBQ Flyer 8.5.23.pdf to pre-order lunches on August 5th.

Wednesday - August 9th - 1st Day of School

All students should arrive early on the first day to ensure plenty of time to safely get into school and to your classroom. Additionally, please be sure to consider the following:

- Breakfast is served in the cafeteria beginning at 6:50am.
- Students that drive must have purchased a MNHS Parking Permit to be allowed
 to park in the student parking lot on the North side of the building. Students are
 not allowed to park in the visitor or staff parking on the South side of the building.
 Students are also not allowed to park cars in nearby neighborhoods your car
 will be towed.
- Parents that drive your child to school may use the front drive at the main entrance to drop off. Student drop off can also be done at the G hall entrance through the student parking lot. Parents - please do not use the staff parking lot to drop off students. This area is only for our buses. To ensure that our buses can get in and out as safely and quickly as possible we need to eliminate all other traffic through this area.

Every year one of our campus goals is to get every student involved and connected to school, beyond their classroom schedule. Research shows students that are involved in activities at school are happier and more successful in school. If your student is not already involved in a campus team, club or organization please take a minute to review the list on our MNHS website or use this <u>link</u> to access it directly.

Finally, I want to take a moment to remind students and parents of our McKinney North High School | Home of the Bulldogs website and the Student/Parent Hub on the website Home Page. This is a one page document full of direct links to many commonly accessed sites or resources. While I typically send an email out every few weeks, the MNHS Website and Hub is available and accessible at any time for basic questions, information and calendar events. I hope that you and your child are looking forward to the start of this school year. I know that our teachers and staff are ready and excited about all we have planned for our returning students as well as those that are new to MNHS. It is truly going to be a great year for all of our Bulldogs.

Let's Go Dawgs!

Jae Gaskill Principal