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Falcon Families,

We did it! Thank you to all of our students and families who patiently worked to ensure that we got off to a strong start! While we certainly faced some minor hiccups, we were all hands on deck to get the year started on a positive note! We are highly committed to working with our families to ensure that everyone has access and we are smooth sailing while learning digitally.

I wanted to share a couple of items to help clarify a couple of commonly asked questions/issued that arose today. Please see below and don't hesitate to reach out if you have additional questions:

- 1.) Students will not be able to log into their Zoom class until close to the start time of the class. The host of the Zoom call will need to have logged in for the student to be able to get on.
- 2.) If you picked up a hard copy of your student's schedule and the classes look different than what is posted in Skyward, you should always follow Skyward. Typically while in person, as requested schedule changes take place, they are reflected in Skyward and we print off new copies of the schedule for students. Being that we are digital, students will not get a new copy, but the courses listed in Skyward are always up to date.
- 3.) This is a reminder that classes will be occurring based on the block schedule that has been shared with families and is posted on the school website. For your convenience, the schedule is also posted [HERE](#). Additionally, we have created a template for students to use in helping to stay organized with their classes. For your convenience, the template is posted [HERE](#). We are working to get the class times adjusted in Skyward, but this cannot be done at the local school level. As a reminder, tomorrow will be periods 5-8 as we had a revised schedule for 7/30 and 7/31 (as noted on the attached schedule). Tomorrow's class periods are noted below:
 - Advisory: 9:10am - 9:40am
 - Period 5: 9:50am - 11:10am
 - Period 6: 11:20am - 12:40pm
 - **LUNCH 12:40pm - 1:10pm**
 - Period 7: 1:10pm - 2:30pm
 - Period 8: 2:40pm - 4:00pm
- 4.) Attention Advanced Spanish Students -- Our Advanced Spanish Teacher had a baby! ... but earlier than anticipated. We have updated her Canvas page to include options for "non-live" instruction as we work to fill her maternity leave posting. Students will still sign in to Canvas and complete the digital learning activities that are posted.
- 5.) This is a reminder that the courses listed in Canvas are NOT in order by period. Students need to be sure to click on the correct course based on the course they have been assigned for a given period.

6.) If you still are in need of a Chromebook, please complete the following form immediately so that we can coordinate a safe pick-up: [CLICK HERE](#)

7.) If you had a Guided Study on your class schedule, we ran into a technical glitch with Canvas today. Please note that this course will be posted either tomorrow, Friday July 31 or Monday, August 3. If you have guided study for periods 5-8, please attempt to sign on tomorrow, but know that if it does not come up on your Canvas page, this will be fixed by Monday. Students WILL NOT be counted absent for this course today or tomorrow.

8.) This is a friendly reminder that attendance will be taken for each period. Just as if we were in school, parents must call if a student will be absent, even if this absence will only be for part of the day. As for tardies, students are expected to be timely, but we will not be marking students tardy. Should a particular student continue to attend classes late, we will contact the parent directly to discuss.

Again, thank you for your patience and assistance as we work to ensure students have an excellent digital learning experience. We are extremely proud of the students after Day 1 and cannot wait until tomorrow!

Respectfully,

Steven Pelych

Principal - Northview Middle School

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