

Sophomores / Juniors

Good afternoon students and parents of the Junior Class of 2021 and Sophomore Class of 2022.

This is Tim Berry, Executive Principal of South-Doyle High School with an important message. We hope everyone had a great summer break and an opportunity to rest and have a little fun. This message will be a little long, so please refer to the South-Doyle Website for a hard copy of this message and more details.

As we prepare for the start of school next week, we would like to outline the schedule for your child.

July 25th – Student schedules will be available online via the Aspen Portal. Please review your schedule and make sure it is correct. As a reminder, no AP courses will be dropped for schedule change requests, unless the course was not requested and no signature was secured at sign-ups. If you need help logging into the portal or updating your phone numbers, home address or email addresses, please contact the front office during regular business hours at 577-4475. This will ensure you are receiving all of the important information.

August 1st- Device Deployment for your student laptops will be on Thursday, August 1st for five different time sessions (2:30, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, and 6:30). Advance reservations on our website, guarantee a spot for the first 200 students in the 2:30, 3:30 and 4:30 sessions) and no one will be allowed to enter these sessions once they are full. Specific information with these details and early signups to secure spots, is available on the school website. So, I encourage you to get to one of these first three sessions while laptops last. Because of our enrollment numbers and past unpaid damages for devices, the first 900 students will receive Macbook Pro laptops and the remaining students, along with those with unpaid balances, will receive Google Chromebooks. Upperclassman will have first shot at MacBooks, and then freshmen will be eligible on Friday afternoon. The process begins with a brief meeting with the principal to discuss expectations and important information (30 min), then rotations through stations to complete the necessary paperwork and security setups. A parent or legal guardian and student, must be present to receive a device. Please see the school website for more details concerning advanced reservations, payment plans and multiple children enrolled across grade levels.

Since most of you have done this at least a couple times already, there will be an optional deployment that will not require you to come to school. There will be an interactive video released on our web-site on Saturday, **August 3rd** that will allow you to preview a recording of my message, answer questions along with the preview and submit all signed paperwork with your student on **August 5th**. If you are tech savvy and have the technology at home to access the video and files, this option may be perfect for you. Students would submit the paperwork to the help desk when they arrive and be called down before leaving school on the 5th. Again, MacBook Pro's are first-come, first served, so we cannot guarantee they will still be available with this option.

August 2nd - Cherokee Kick-off will take place for 10th-11th grade from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. If this was not taken care of during device deployment, this will be an opportunity to pick up a hard copy of your schedule, locate your classes, make schedule change requests and purchase your parking passes, which are first come, first served. Our goal is to have all of this taken care of before the first day of school.

The first day of classes will begin on Monday, **August 5th**. This will be a very important half-day of school. Buses will run and attendance will be taken. This will be the last opportunity to work out all schedule changes and familiarize themselves with their teachers and class locations before the first full day on **August 6th**. All students will be expected to report to class prepared, on time and ready for instruction.

If you have questions about dress code, discipline rules, drop off, and other expectations, please see the school website for a modified student handbook with details.

We look forward to an outstanding school year and thank you for your continued support at South-Doyle High School!