

# Avon Grove Charter School: Summer Letter Grade 7th-8th

#### Greetings families of AGCS!

I hope you and your families are enjoying your summer months. Whether we want to believe it or not, the first day of school is just around the corner. With the first day sneaking up on us, we want to inform you of some important information and dates that are relevant to our State Road Campus.

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### A few things about grades 7th-8th Grade at the State Road Campus:

### School begins on Tuesday September 7th, 2021.

• Complete 2021-2022 school calendar.

<u>School Hours:</u> 7:35 am-2:15 pm. Carline and school doors open at 7:15 am. Students who arrive after 7:35 am will have to obtain a late pass. All family members, students, and visitors will be required to use the front doors of the school after 7:35 am.

**<u>Bus Information:</u>** All bus information (pick-up/drop-off times) will be communicated by the AGCS once it is received by the sending school district via Parent Portal and emailed. All questions regarding bus stops, pick-up/drop-off times should be directed to your specific district.

Car Line Pick-up/Drop-off: Procedures for carline at State Road

**Morning Arrival Times:** State Road Campus 7:15 am to 7:35 am **Afternoon Car Line Pick-up Times:** State Road Campus 2:15 pm to 2:30 pm

Summer Work and Classroom Supplies: These are posted on our school website

#### AGCS Technology Program:

At Avon Grove Charter School students in grades 1-12 are issued their own Chromebook. By putting a computer in the hands of every student, learning can become flexible and personalized for staff and students through connected integration of technology in the learning process. Complete the *Acknowledgement/Permission* for all students in PowerSchool Parent Portal. Students who do not have chromebooks will receive them during orientation or the 1st week of school.

**Student Handbook:** The 2021-2022 Student Handbook will be posted to our website. Each AGCS student/family will be required to complete a digital handbook confirmation/acknowledgement form in the PowerSchool parent portal.

<u>Parent Portal (Opens 8/11):</u> This is our web-based management system. Through the Parent Portal you can access grades, attendance, lunch balances, and required forms. Please log into account and complete the following forms:

- Contact Information Verification Form
- Medical information (2 forms)
- Student Handbook Acknowledgement
- Covid Acknowledgement
- Technology Acknowledgement/Permission

Parents of new students to AGCS, will receive their Parent Portal information via email, with instructions to set up their account. If you do not have access to the Parent Portal or need more information, please contact staterdmainoffice@agcharter.org

Picture Day: Picture Day will be on October 4, 2021. Retakes are November 12.

#### Free and Reduced Lunch Application:

Children need healthy meals to learn. The Avon Grove Charter School offers healthy meals every school day. The USDA has issued a waiver this school year, 2021-2022, allowing a nutritious breakfast and lunch to be served to all students at no charge to your household.

The Avon Grove Charter School continues to encourage all families to submit a meal application. Applications will be used to determine eligibility for 2021-2022 P-EBT benefits, for carryover benefits for SY 2022-2023, and determine eligibility for waived or reduced Technology fees.

You may apply online at <a href="https://www.schoolcafe.com">www.schoolcafe.com</a> or download a hard copy from the school's website.

Please know that submitting an application <u>will not</u> impact the free meals your child(ren) currently receives through the school this year.

## <u>Additional 7th-8th Grade Information:</u>

<u>First day of school:</u> Students should come prepared with just the basics on the first day of school. Supply lists for middle school grades are located on the website; however additional material(s) may be required. High school students will receive a course syllabus identifying the materials needed for each class. All students in the upper school who intend to use a locker should bring a combination lock on the first day of school.

<u>Student Schedules:</u> Families will <u>not</u> receive a hard copy of their student's schedule in the mail. <u>The release of student schedules will occur on August 16th</u>. Parents will receive email notification the morning that schedules are released and a notice will be posted to the AGCS website. Please be sure to print out a copy of your student's schedule prior to the first day of school. If that is not possible, schedules will be available at the Meet and Greet and first day of school.

<u>Upper School Back to School/Meet & Greet:</u> All Upper School students (Grades 7-12) are welcomed to attend the Meet and Greet the week of August 30th.

<u>Please bring a copy of your schedule</u> so that you will know which classes and teachers to visit. As a reminder, please be aware of the following:

- Schedule changes will not be made during this event.
- Teachers and administrators will not be able to engage in conversation about specific student needs at this point, as they are greeting many parents and students.
- Information about transportation, food services, PTO, and other Upper School events will not be available at this event.

	Aug. 30	Aug. 31	Sept. 1	Sept. 2
9:00 - 1:00				
2:00-3:00		MS (40 slots)	MS (40 slots)	MS (40 slots)
4:00-5:00	MS (80 slots)			
5:15-6:15	MS (80 slots)			
6:30-7:30	MS (80 slots)			

<u>7th-12th School Sports:</u> Information regarding sports and try-outs has been sent out electronically. If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to Mr. Jason McGehean at <a href="mailto:jmcgehean@agcharter.org">jmcgehean@agcharter.org</a>

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer. I look forward to an exciting school year and working in partnership with you all.

Kindly,

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