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Dear Ferguson High School Student and Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 21-22 academic year! We look forward to another great year at Harold Ferguson High School and want to welcome back our returning students/families while also giving a warm welcome to our new students and families who will be joining the Ferguson family in a few short weeks. The summer has provided us an opportunity to reflect on the impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on our students, families, and staff while also affording us the opportunity to plan and look ahead to what is going to be an amazing school year.

Recently, Thompson School District published COVID-19 guidelines for the upcoming school year. Specifically, the school district indicated the following safety guidelines will be in effect at the start of the school year:

- Face Masks - Masks or face coverings will not be required for any students or staff members attending Thompson School District Schools.
- Social Distancing - there are no current public health orders regarding social distancing. Thompson School District will continue to maximize space as much as possible in school buildings.
- COVID-19 Vaccines - We encourage students and staff to get vaccinated and will continue to provide opportunities to do so.

While we are encouraged by the loosening of COVID-19 safety measures, please know that the health and well-being of our students and staff is our number one priority. Our school and district leadership will continue to work closely with our county and state health agency partners to navigate this continually evolving coronavirus pandemic.

A few important reminders as the new school year approaches:

- Registration day is Wednesday August 4th from 9a to 3p. Be sure to stop in and pick up class schedules, backpacks/school supplies, student/parent handbooks, positive participation agreements, and chromebooks. Families can also pay fees at this time.
- Please complete the Annual Family Update online through Parent Portal prior to August 4.
- Starting Monday August 16th all students will attend in-person classes, five (5) days per week.

Attached are a few additional resources to get you and your student prepared for the new school year. Should you have any questions please contact us at the number(s) below. At Harold Ferguson High School we are looking forward to the new school year and hope you are as well. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and thank you in advance for your partnership as we work together to create an alternative learning environment that meets each of our students' needs!

Respectfully,

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