



WEBSTER

—BEYOND—

Webster Families!

We are excited to welcome back our incoming 9th graders – graduating class of 2023! We are launching High School redesign – enthusiastically known as **WEBSTER BEYOND!** A team of teachers spent the 2018-2019 school year preparing for this year 2019–2020 - the year your student will be a Freshmen!

The school year will look very different for your 9th grade student. He/she will be a founding member – Class of 2023 - of the **WEBSTER BEYOND** redesign work. The work includes a new academic platform entitled **Warrior Way**. Working directly with core academic teachers, students will set goals and work toward progressing through core (Science, History, English, Math) subjects with support from their teacher. Electives are still embedded within students' schedule as well. Redesign work includes student voice! We will be working together to really hear what students want and need out of a high school experience. As students progress through high school, there will be opportunities for learning “outside the walls” of Webster High School. Internships, paid opportunities, and course credit are all part of what your student could look forward to in the upper grade levels.

Students will each be assigned a “House”. The House time will be daily, where team building, intramurals, goal setting, and mentoring will occur. In addition, there will be Friday Expeditions once per month where we will learn the importance of service learning (Community Food Bank, Goodwill etc.) along with important aspects of Oklahoma History.

In order to launch the year successfully, we are asking all 9th graders to join us for WOW (Welcome Our Warriors) week August 13-14, 8:45 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. TPS busses will run regular school routes and lunch and breakfast will be served.

(OVER FOR MORE!)

During these two days, students will receive:

- **Webster Beyond T-Shirt**
- **Student ID and lanyard (required to wear all year)**
- **Chromebook to keep all four years until graduation**
- **Class schedule for 2019-2020**
- **Student Agenda Book**

We will also be participating in the ROPES course for ½ day on August 14! Several of you completed the permission slip at the 8th grade promotion ceremony, but if you have not, please complete and bring with you on August 13.

Parents, your commitment to your students is critical. Your attendance at all parent meetings, parent/teacher conferences, PTSA meetings, etc. is the key to both your student's and our success. The ultimate goal is your student's **GRADUATION in 2023!**

I ask that you mark your calendars to attend these upcoming events when they are published. In addition, the administration team will be offering informal "coffee chats" throughout the school year when parents can come and get all of their questions answered, learn of students' progress, and stay informed on the redesign process. Join us any time you can for all or some of these informative talks!

Attachments Enclosed:

- **Warrior Way/Webster Beyond Information Flyer**
- Helmzar Ropes Course Permission slip (return August 13)
- Expedition Fridays Field Trip Permission slip (return August 13)
- Uniform Policy
- School Supply List
- WOW Week Flyer (required attendance August 13-14)
- Back to School Night Flyer (specific date for 9th Grade ONLY)

Sincerely,

Shelly Holman
Principal

(doc: Webster Beyond Back to School Letter to Freshmen Students 2019)