



MAHWAH HIGH SCHOOL
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Dear Thunderbird:

Welcome. We hope you are having an enjoyable summer and we are looking forward to you becoming a member of the high school Thunderbird community. In order to ensure that you have a positive introduction and productive year, Freshman Advisory Coordinators are hosting an orientation on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 for all students new to Mahwah High School. The orientation will provide an opportunity for incoming ninth graders and new students to meet class and school officers, to pick up your school laptop, and to become acquainted with the facility and various activities at Mahwah High School.

The orientation will begin at 8:40 a.m., Wednesday, August 28, 2024, in the high school auditorium. Enter using Door 3. School transportation **will not** be available for the orientation. While the orientation features a rotation of activities, below is a sample agenda for the program:

AGENDA - 9 th GRADE		AGENDA - TRANSFER STUDENTS 10 th -12 th	
8:40 a.m.	Arrival	8:40 a.m.	Arrival
9:00 a.m.	Welcome	9:00 a.m.	Welcome
9:30 a.m.	Team Building Activities	9:15 a.m.	Meet Student Assistance Counselor, receive schedule
10:00 a.m.	Meet Freshman Advisory Leaders, get student ID cards, review rotating schedule	9:30 a.m.	Walk the building with SGA Officers, locate classrooms and locker
10:30 a.m.	Walk the building with schedule, locate locker	10:00 a.m.	Student Laptop Distribution
10:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	Student Laptop Distribution	10:30 a.m.	Dismissal
11:45 a.m.	Dismissal from Thunderbird Door 1		

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Students are required to download the Realtime Student Portal app on their smartphone because it will provide each student with a copy of their ID card and barcode that may be used to scan out books, materials, and devices, as well as to scan into MHS office locations without touching a keyboard. It does not allow you entry to the building doors, only your actual FOB/ID card will give you building access. The app will also give you access to your schedule after August 27th. More information at [Realtime Mobile App Directions - Mahwah High School](#)



Laptop Distribution Procedures: Requirements that must be completed for laptop pick-up

- All outstanding fines must be paid in full. You will not have portal access if you owe a fine. Fines are cleared through the guidance department. Outstanding lunch fines should be paid via PaySchools Central and a copy of the payment receipt brought to the guidance department.
- Electronically answer all the required questions and read documents in the Realtime Portal. Portal opens on August 21st.
- Both the parent/guardian and student must answer the questions on their respective student and parent portals.
- Bring a copy of proof of \$60.00 laptop insurance payment. PaySchoolsCentral.com opens on August 21st. Insurance payments should be made via www.payschoolscentral.com Link is also available on the high school website under “Popular links”.
- Grade 9/newly enrolled transfer students will be given ID/FOB cards at orientation. You do not need to pay for your ID/FOB card, the district provides you with your first high school ID/FOB card free of charge. **Do not** click on the lost fee listed in PaySchools Central.
- ID/FOB replacement fee. The fee is listed on every account in PaySchools Central should you need to use it during the year to replace a LOST or damaged ID/FOB.
- Students must pick-up their own laptops. Laptops will not be given to a parent without a student present.

Distribution schedule will be as follows for those not able to attend orientation:

Students may pick up laptop computers after school on September 5th and 6th if they are unavailable to pick up during August distribution.

Freshman Advisory Leaders: Mrs. Jennifer Mazzola & Mr. Randy Fuchs

Freshmen will be taking their school photographs in their physical education classes on September 5 and 6, 2024. Order information is located on the high school website in the Opening Packet 2024-2025.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the orientation and working with you during the 2024- 2025 school year. Thunderbirds: Forging New Paths

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dominick J. Gliatta".

Dominick J. Gliatta
Director of Guidance & Counseling