



Design Science

MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

Fresno Unified School District

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH FRESNO CITY COLLEGE

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Dear Design Science Students and Families,

We hope you all are enjoying the summer break. Some of you may be at a Fresno Unified School District camp, while a few of you might be working or learning how to drive. We hope you all make the most of the break doing something you love, learning a new hobby, or hanging out with your loved ones.

We are writing to prepare you for the new school year. Please remember not to schedule vacations or absences when we start school on August 8, as we begin before other Fresno Unified School District (FUSD) schools. Here are the important dates:

- **9th GRADE SUMMER BRIDGE**
 - **July 29 – August 2, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am – 2:00 pm, Design Science classrooms at FCC Business Education Building.** Only Freshmen Class of 2028 are invited to attend this program to learn how to transition to high school and Fresno City College. There will also be fun opportunities to get to know other new Design Science students and meet Mr. Pedro Enriquez and Mx. Dossetti.
 - Sign up at bit.ly/DesignBridge2024.
 - More details will be arriving in a separate Freshmen letter in the mail.
- **9TH GRADE LINK CREW**
 - **August 7, Wednesday, 8:30 am – 12:00 pm, Fresno City College Old Administration Building (OAB 188).** Only Freshmen Class of 2028 are invited to join in this morning event, which will be led by our older DSMCHS students. It is a fun event to help build positive bonds and connections before the rest of the school arrives the next day. Students will check their schedule on Atlas and take their photos for their FCC college IDs.
 - Link Crew leaders will be calling families to personally invite your student.
 - More details will be arriving in a separate Freshmen letter in the mail.
- **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**
 - **August 8, Thursday, 8:30 am to 3:16 pm, Design Science classrooms at FCC Business Education Building.**
 - We encourage students to bring a backpack, laptop and charger, a reuseable bottle of water, and pencils. Teachers will notify students on school supplies and other needs in their classes and syllabi.
 - Please look at the enclosed “DSMCHS 2024-2025 Bell Schedules” and “DSMCHS 2024-2025 School Calendar”.

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FUSD LAPTOP REQUIRED: Many of you coming from FUSD middle schools should already have a district laptop. You will need to bring it and a charger to school every day. If you do not have one yet or are due for a computer refresh, please call FUSD FLATS at 559-457-3939 to arrange to pick up a laptop. **For those who are new coming into the district, we recommend obtaining a free FUSD-issued laptop ready for the school year. You will not be able to pick up the new laptop at FUSD FLATS until school officially begins on Thursday, August 8.*

FUSD DRESS CODE ENFORCED: Please also review our FUSD Dress Code, as some current fashions may not be appropriate school attire. If you have a problem with the district dress code, please bring it up to FUSD Constituent Services at (559) 457-3736 or Constituent.Services@fresnounified.org. We will let students off with a warning the first time, but please be ready to be called in to pick up your child or bring in FUSD compliant clothing after that first warning. Please look at the enclosed "FUSD Dress Code".

DSMCHS/FCC CLASS SCHEDULE QUESTIONS: Students will receive their class schedules the first week of school, and we will address any needs or make adjustments through August 9, the Friday. For sophomores to seniors, if you have any questions concerning college classes, please email our Design Science Counselor, Sandra Munoz, at Sandra.Cloney@fresnounified.org for a response or appointment.

DSMCHS DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP: There is a map enclosed that pinpoints where you may drop-off and pick-up your student. We recommend these two places, because administration will be out there for supervision. Please drive carefully and be aware of other cars pulling in and out of the spaces. Police do monitor if you park along red curbs or block staff from accessing parking spaces. ***Please drop off and pick up your child on time.*** Please look at enclosed "FCC Map".

DSMCHS PARKING: Fresno City College will resume parking pass requirements. Families and students will be ticketed if they park in Staff Lot K. Therefore, we recommend that you park in Parking Lot B or any other student lot...and pay for a parking pass. Please create a State Center Community College District (SCCCD) parking account at <https://mycampuspermit.com/fresno-city.html> to purchase parking passes. For students who drive, they will have to buy their own parking pass every semester. For occasional school wide family events, there will be relaxed parking. We will notify you about those specific events.

UPDATED COMMUNICATION CHANNELS: We will be communicating through ParentSquare App, so please make sure your Fresno Unified Atlas has the most up-to-date information contact details. This is how FUSD will connect you to the ParentSquare app. You may also visit us on our website at <https://designscience.fresnounified.org/>. We frequently post on Instagram (@dsmchs) and Facebook (@Design Science Middle College High School) too.

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES: Please always call our front office at 559-489-2270 to clear any tardies or absences. Please always call the front office first, before you pick up your child, so we can account for their location during the school day. ***Please do not pick up your child without calling or visiting the front office first.***

DSMCHS VISITATION PROCEDURES: If you intend to visit our school or staff, please always check in the front office (BE 136). ***Do not barge into an office or classroom unannounced.*** If you would like to meet with a specific staff or teacher, please schedule an appointment with the front office at 559-489-2270.

If you need to get a hold of me this summer, please email me at flordia.cheung@fresnounified.org. I promise I will email or call you back. I cannot wait to see you all, and.... GO RAMS!!

We love you DSMCHS!!

Flordia Cheung

Principal

Enclosures: DSMCHS 2024-2025 Bell Schedules, DSMCHS 2024-2025 School Calendar, FUSD Dress Code, FCC Map

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