

JENKINS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Jag Nation,

We understand this is a challenging time for our school community, and we deeply appreciate your support as we transition our students to new locations. At Jenkins, our commitment remains the same: to provide the best possible learning environment for our students, even in a new setting.

As we move forward, we want to ensure that our students continue to experience the Jenkins tradition of excellence. At both Russell Middle School and Doherty High School, we have designated separate areas for our students, prepared distinct arrival and departure times, and scheduled separate lunch and recess periods to maintain a sense of familiarity and routine. As an added safety measure, Jenkins students will be provided with unique lanyards for easy identification.

To keep our families informed and engaged, we will hold Community Town Hall Meetings at Doherty High School on January 16 and January 22 at 6:00 PM in the auditorium. Each meeting will include new operational details as they become available. For families unable to attend, all information will be accessible on the Jenkins website beginning Friday (1/17) morning.

Important Updates:

- Students will clean their lockers during 7th period on Thursday, January 16. Please ensure they take all materials home at this time.
- We are finalizing a transportation schedule from Jenkins to the new locations. Here is what we know:

- (1) All students who ride a bus to get to Jenkins currently will ride the same bus.
- (2) Students who are normal bus riders and will maintain the same bus route, will return to their typical bus stop within 25 minutes of their scheduled bell release.
- (3) Walkers and parents who drop off at Jenkins will continue to walk to or drop their students at Jenkins. We will shuttle students from Jenkins to Russell and Doherty.
- (4) We anticipate a shuttle departure from Jenkins at 8:30am.
- (5) Breakfast will be available at Jenkins Middle School before shuttle departure and for students arriving directly at Russell Middle School and Doherty High School.
- (6) At the end of the school day, shuttles will pick up students from Russell and Doherty and return them back to Jenkins to be picked up or to walk home. The timing of this return shuttle will be communicated as soon as it is finalized.
- (7) Purple Star bus riders will arrive home between 4:45 pm and 5:00 pm.
- (8) We will update you in a future communication once bus routes are confirmed and posted on Blackboard. To help us plan effectively, please complete the [Transportation Information and Survey](#).

Ongoing Support for Students:

- We are working on scheduling orientation nights to help students adjust to their new schools. We will update you as soon as the dates and times are available.
- Details on continuing clubs, activities, and sports are still forthcoming. Our school and district teams are working in partnership to develop plans that support the continuation of these activities with limited disruption, and we will get you updates as soon as we can.
- Here is a working copy of the master schedule for our new locations: [LINK](#).

We are here to answer any questions you may have as we work together to support our students. Thank you for your continued partnership and understanding during this transition.

Sincerely,
Tony Jackowski
Principal