

## PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

Dear Parents and Students,

July 2025

At Fresno High, we believe education should prepare students for a complex world—to think critically, act ethically, and lead with confidence. That's why we offer the International Baccalaureate (IB)—a globally recognized program that helps students become curious, capable, and compassionate learners. Our Middle Years Programme (MYP) (grades 9–10) builds skills through a global lens, while the Diploma (DP) and Career-related Programme (CP) (grades 11–12) allow students to pursue academic depth or career readiness, gain real-world experience, and earn college credit. Our goal is not just a diploma, but a purpose.

### **The first day of school is Monday, August 18, 2025.**

School begins at 8:30 AM and ends at 3:20 PM (or 2:02 PM on early release days). Please see the enclosed Bell Schedule for details. Breakfast (7:30–8:30 AM) and lunch are free for all students. Bus routes can be found at [www.fresnounified.org](http://www.fresnounified.org) (Departments → Transportation → Bus Routes).

We invite incoming 9th graders to join Summer Bridge (Aug 4–8, 9:00 AM–1:30 PM)—a fun, supportive way to get to know our campus, staff, and classmates. Flyers in this packet include dates, times, and registration info. Freshman Orientation will be Tuesday, August 12, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM. Parents and families are encouraged to stay for an informational meeting at 8:45am in Royce Hall on August 12.

First Day Packets will be handed out August 18 and are due by Friday, August 22. Be sure to return two signed Emergency Cards. If you don't receive a packet, visit the office starting August 11.

**Class Schedules will be posted on ATLAS the week of August 11.** Paper copies will be distributed in 1<sup>st</sup> period on the first day. Please check ATLAS up to the first day, as schedules may change due to enrollment adjustments.

We encourage students to bring basic school supplies (backpack, binder, paper, pencils, pens) and their school-issued laptop daily. **Please review the dress code and cell phone policy included in this mailer as you prepare for the year.**

Back to School Night is Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at 5:00 PM—an opportunity to meet staff, learn about classes, and hear how you can support your student's success.

We're proud to support students in becoming thinkers, leaders, and global citizens. Let's make it a great year, living the **Warrior Way!**

Respectfully,

*Amy Smith*

Amy Smith, Principal