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Incoming 9th Grade Students and Families,

Welcome to John Burroughs high school! We're thrilled to have you join our community and begin this exciting new chapter together.

To help with the transition to High School, we have prepared a presentation and FAQ for your reference.

Since my welcome back email yesterday, we've received thoughtful feedback and questions from many of you. This message is in response to those specific inquiries, and we want to assure you that your voices are heard.

Chromebooks: Many have reach out about Chromebooks. At JBHS, it Is not mandatory to check out a school issued Chromebooks, you do have the option of using a personal device. Having said that, if you would like to request a school issued Chromebook, please fill out the following request link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdnGt49k3ahjdeHHikUTf3Iz_foDpByUK_jObcT6L-84FTkGw/viewform?usp=header.

There will be a special 9th grade Chromebook hand out on Monday August 18th, 2025. Detailed information will be sent out soon.

Lockers: At JBHS, we do not have hallway lockers (only PE lockers). For this reason, your text books assigned to you are intended to stay at home. Each classroom has a set of text books as well, so there is no need to bring the text books to school daily.

Schedules: Class schedules, room numbers and teacher names will be made public on the Aeries portal on Tuesday, August 12, 2025. If you need to see a counselor after school starts; counselors will be available for scheduling questions in the main quad during nutrition and lunch on Wednesday, August 13; Thursday, August 14; and Friday, August 15. Afterwards, counselors will be available before school (7:30-8:30am) and during lunch (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) for DROP-IN meetings. No appointment required! Additionally, QR codes will be posted in the counseling office for students to make appointments with their counselor throughout the year.

Campus Tours: In partnership with our amazing Link Crew team, there will be a virtual tour sent out via email to all 9th graders. This is in process of being edited as we speak. The Link Crew students have spent the past few days filming this and will be ready to send this out to you Monday so you are ready to enter campus next Wednesday.

Please don't hesitate to reach out whenever you need something. Whether it's a quick question or a deeper concern, our doors (and inboxes) are always open.

The strongest advice we can offer as you begin this journey is: **advocate for yourself**. Speak up, ask questions, and let us know how we can support you. High school is a time for growth, exploration, and learning—not just academically, but personally. We're here to listen, guide, and cheer you on every step of the way.

We can't wait to see all that you'll accomplish.

GO BEARS!

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Attachments:

9th_Grade_Presentation_2025.pdf (11.1 MB)
9th_Grade_-_FAQs_2023_-_Long.pdf (94.0 KB)