



30 September 2020

Dear Families,

We wanted to share with you the Hybrid Schedule, which we will begin using on October 12. That week, although only freshmen will be on campus, all of our classes will be using these new patterns, with sophomores, juniors and seniors accessing their classes from home. Sophomores, juniors and seniors will be joining the freshmen on campus the following week, beginning October 19.

Please note the following:

- Group 1 students come to campus on Garnet and Gold 1 Days, typically Monday and Tuesday. On these days, Group 2 students access their classes virtually.
- Group 2 students come to campus on Garnet and Gold 2 Days, typically Thursday and Friday. On these days, Group 1 students access their classes virtually.
- Purple Days, typically on Wednesdays, are virtual, and are designed for each teacher to best use the time. Some will have office hours to provide special help. Other classes may meet, especially AP classes.
- To preserve in-person Seminar, Group 1 students are divided into 1 and 3; Group 2 students are divided into 2 or 4. When not in Seminar, students will have face-to-face time with their advisers.
- Sophomores will have dedicated time for their Personal Projects. Instead of reporting to their advisers, they will attend project meetings.
- When we have a four-day week, there will not be a Purple Day.

Much more information will be coming to you over the next week. This will include drop-off and pick-up information, daily health screening, and facilities management. In addition to the Hybrid Schedule, we have attached the October calendar.

If you would like your daughter to learn virtually, you must contact Nicole Ruth at [nruth@mercyhighschool.com](mailto:nruth@mercyhighschool.com) by 9:00 am on Friday, October 2.

For questions about academics, please contact Jeanne Blakeslee at [jblakeslee@mercyhighschool.com](mailto:jblakeslee@mercyhighschool.com). For questions related to student activities or physical space, contact Mary Ella Marion at [memarion@mercyhighschool.com](mailto:memarion@mercyhighschool.com).

We look forward to seeing you at Back to School Night on Thursday.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeanne A. Blakeslee".

Jeanne A. Blakeslee  
Principal

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary Ella Marion".

Mary Ella Marion '76  
Dean of Students

