

July 13, 2010

Dear GHS Freshman Students and Parents:

Welcome to Greeneville High School and the Greeneville High Success Academy! We are looking forward to having the Class of 2014 join us at GHS and to meeting our new students and families. This letter is to give you important information about the beginning of our journey together at Greeneville High School for 2010-2011.

1. REGISTRATION BLITZ for FRESHMEN: Thursday, July 29, 2010 from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. in the café. All freshmen and a parent are to pick up schedules and student ID's, pay fees, fill out paperwork, and have your picture made for the 2011 annual. Enclosed in this mailing is a check-list of information concerning the registration blitz. We hope to complete all beginning of school paperwork and pictures for as many freshmen students as possible in this one afternoon. We understand that the GHS band will be at band camp that week. If a student has a valid reason that prevents them from registering on 7/29/10, **we encourage a parent or family member to still attend the registration.** Schedules may still be picked up, most of the paperwork completed, and fees paid even if the student is unavailable. Picture make-up day for students will be August 25, 2010. If no one from your family is available to attend registration on 7/29, a make-up day will be held on **Tuesday, August, 3, 2010 from 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. in the library.** However, we highly encourage everyone to make arrangements to attend the registration blitz on 7/29/10 if at all possible!

2. FIRST ABBREVIATED DAY OF SCHOOL FOR FRESHMEN: Wednesday, August 4, 2010 – Beginning at 7:40 a.m. in GHS Café (freshmen will attend from 7:40 a.m. – 12:00 noon). You will meet all of the Freshman Academy teachers and will go through an abbreviated schedule (**bring your schedule with you!**). You will meet together again in the café at 11:30 with Dr. Stroud, Mrs. Ricker, Mr. Richards, and Mr. Painter (Freshman Academy Administrator). We will go over our expectations for behavior, attendance/tardies, dress code, cell phones, etc. Parents, you are welcome to attend this meeting with your students at 11:30. Only Freshman students will be at GHS for the abbreviated day on 8/4/10.

3. FIRST FULL DAY-All Students: Monday, August 9, 2010. ALL STUDENTS will be reporting for the first full day of school. The school hours for the 2009-2010 school year are 7:40 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.

4. SUPPLIES: Enclosed is a list of supplies your child will need for Freshman Academy on the first full day of school, Monday, August 9. This list was compiled before school was out. With the hiring of new teachers there may be additional items that a specific teacher may add when school begins. Each teacher will inform students if additional items are needed.

Please see the enclosed page for GHS BUS AND CAR LOADING AND UNLOADING DIRECTIONS!

Again, let me be one of the first to welcome you to Greeneville High School. It is my wish that every student that attends GHS will have the best four years of his or her entire educational career. High school should be a time of continued growth academically, socially, physically, and emotionally. It should also be a safe and respectful environment for all who work and learn there every day. It is also my belief that high school should be a place that is fun and that students look forward to attending each day. However, we must always keep in mind that the foremost goal for *every student at GHS* is to **graduate and earn their high school diploma!** I have full confidence that with all of us working together for one goal....what is best for our students....we can continue to make GHS the high performing school full of rich traditions that it has always been. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to let us know. Our entire school staff--administrators, counselors, teachers, and paraprofessionals are available to assist you. We look forward to working with you to make this a great year for our students.

Sincerely,