



# The School District of Philadelphia South Philadelphia High School

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Dear Parents and Guardians of South Philadelphia High School Students:

Welcome back to the 2018-2019 school year! I hope you and your families are enjoying summer vacation. I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with some important information about the upcoming school year.

**The first day of school for all students is Monday, August 27, 2018.** On *Friday, August 31, 2018*, students will have an *early dismissal*. We are off Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 2018 and Returning Tuesday, September 4, 2018.

The regular school day begins at 7:55 AM and dismisses at 2:54 PM. Students who receive a transpass from SEPTA are responsible for getting to school on the first day themselves. They will receive transpasses during the day in order to go home. Please be reminded that we do not replace transpasses.

Please be mindful that students are expected and required to attend school each day on time. We are striving for 95% attendance. In order to achieve this, your child **cannot miss 10 days** of school for SY18-19. It is imperative that you stress the importance of attending school and being on time.

Breakfast will be provided in the lunchroom from 7:25 AM to 7:50 AM only. All students will have breakfast and lunch provided on a daily basis. Students are allowed to bring their own breakfast before 7:50 AM. Glass-bottled drinks are not permitted in the building.

Keeping in touch with your child via cell phone is important. However, we are asking you to call the Main Office at (215) 400-8400 if there is an emergency. If your child has a cell phone, we are asking for your support to have them put their cell phone in their locker. We are not responsible for cell phones.

We will have our **Freshman Orientation for all 9<sup>th</sup> graders on Thursday, August 23, 2018 from 9 AM to 12 PM.** Please come out to meet our 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Teachers, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy Assistant Principal, Dr. Bailey and Climate Manager, Mr. Anderson.

I look forward to seeing you at our "Back to School/Open House Night" on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. There will be a special session for guardians/parents of Seniors (Class of 2019) in Room 105 at 5:30 PM.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

Our school uniform consists of a black collared shirt with the South Philadelphia High School logo. Bottoms will be tan pants for all 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Seniors can have a **red** collared shirt. T-shirts logoed with South Philadelphia High School (Southern) can be worn as the students' uniformed top for that day.

## REQUIRED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

We are asking for each student at South Philadelphia High School to have the following list of supplies. Some of these supplies will need to be replenished on an “as needed basis” throughout the year. All students are required to have a **Book Bag**. School supplies are considered as the following:

- 5 individual notebooks (with perforated pages), including pockets or folders
- pencil case
- 1 glue stick
- 1 pack of colored pencils
- 2 highlighters (different colors)
- 5 pens (blue or black ink only)
- 5 pencils
- 1 red pen
- Agenda book/weekly calendar
- 1 small pencil sharpener (that will fit into the pencil case)

For more information you can visit us on the web: [South Philadelphia High School](#)

Sincerely,

*Kimlime Chek-Taylor*

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