August 31, 2020

Greetings Student, Parents, Staff and Community Members:

Welcome back. As I enter into a Principalship position in the community I grew up in, I am truly excited and humble to serve in this position. I will be entering my 18th year in education, but my 7th year in school administration. It still fills my heart with joy working with students and staff.

It takes a village to educate a child. I will work tirelessly to provide 21st century educational leadership support to your children; in addition to building positive and productive working relationships with teachers, staff, parents and the community. As we navigate the current challenges that our society is facing, our Teachers, Support Staff and Administrative Team are committed to educating your children in a clean, safe and supportive environment. For quarter 1 of the school year, we are offering: **Face to Face Learning** (Social Studies, English, and Physical Education) and **Virtual (Online) Learning** for students that do not engage in-person learning. If you would like your child to engage in Virtual Learning at school, we have a designated space in an area called: Osborn Learning Center. Please be advised, all students with an IEP will continue to receive services from their Resource Teacher.

Osborn High School has highly-qualified teachers who will provide exceptional instructional services to your children in either a Face-to-Face, or Online (Microsoft Teams, Schoology, and Savvas) Platform. We will continue to implement the district’s English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies curricular, with fidelity. We will still offer a Credit Recovery Program which has proven to be successful in assisting our students to recover loss credits. We will offer an After School math tutoring program- taught by all 4 of our math teachers, in an effort to achieve growth and development among our students. We will continue to use our Support Staff (i.e. Paraprofessionals, Academic Interventionist, Teacher Aides, and City Year Ameri Corps Members) to facilitate small-groups and individualized activities to assist “all” students. Although, learning is starting off through the lens of a camera – OSBORN staff is READY to educate your child.
City Year Ameri Corps, Brotherhood and Sisterhood Mentoring, Rockpointe Community Church, Black Family Development, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Detroit Police Department, are additional programs that will continue to be fixtures in Osborn during Quarter 1. It is truly a blessing to know that our students will have additional support to be successful.

Osborn High School will continue our mission to support our district’s and school’s mission and vision. Our Championship Athletic Program will be in “Full Force”, once we have been cleared to participate in athletics.

Parental involvement is key to the academic success of students, so we look forward to working with you and your support. Parents and guardians, there are numerous programs and activities to support you through the district’s Family and Community Engagement Department. We ask you to visit our website (www.Detroitk12.org/Osborn) for upcoming workshops designed to assist you with learning the platforms that students will use.

Osborn school hours will remain: 8:00 AM to 3:20 PM. All students will find the bell schedule and their class schedule on PowerSchool.

Parents, guardians, and students, I look forward to meeting you; in addition to introducing you to our Teachers and Support Staff. We will continue to have Monthly Parent Meetings; in addition to our Annual Title One Meeting, Open House and Curriculum Night (Virtual Meetings). More information is forth coming in reference to dates and times. In the meantime, please sign up with text alerts from school administration by texting 81010 with the following message: @osborn2020.

Osborn Family, I look forward to a positive and productive 2020-2021 school year.

Sincerely,

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Proud to serve at
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