

Important 2021-22 Beginning of the Year Information

We hope that you have had a restful, relaxing summer. Here at QHS, we are gearing up for the 2021-22 school year. Below is some important information as the first day quickly approaches.

Extended Summer School

Students who did not complete an Edgenuity course during Summer School are urged to attend QHS Extended Summer School from 8:00 am -11:00 am on August 3-5 and August 10-12 in D137. Advance registration/sign-up is not required.

Registration

Online registration through the Skyward Family Portal is open. Is it important that we get all of our students registered for the upcoming school year. If you need assistance, you can call QHS at 217-224-3770 or come in for in-person assistance on August 5th in the student cafeteria from 8:00 am to 11:00 am or from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Important note: Make sure you click on the "complete" button at the bottom of each screen before you move on.

New Student/Parent Meeting

We will have a meeting for all students and parents new to QHS on August 5th at 6:00 pm in the student cafeteria. The meeting will also be livestreamed, and the link may be accessed on the QHS web page: https://www.qps.org/schools/qhs/

In addition, the building will be open to walk schedules until 8:00 pm.

Building Hours/Walking the Building

- The QHS Main Office is open daily from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm. The office is closed from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm daily. Starting on August 9th, the QHS Main Office will be open from 6:30 am to 3:30 pm.
- QHS counselors will return to the building on August 9th to make schedule changes and fix any schedule issues.
- Starting on August 2nd, students and parents are welcome to come in to the building to walk schedules and get acquainted with the building.

Laptops

QHS recommends that all students bring a laptop or tablet to school every day. We know this is not financially possible for all families. We will once again be loaning laptops to students. If your student needs to borrow a laptop from QHS, they may do so from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm August 11-13. A completed registration is required to borrow a laptop.

First Day - August 18th

Wednesday, August 18th will be the first day of school for Freshmen and other students new to QHS. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will not attend on that day. We will run the normal bell schedule (see below) and bussing will be available as normal. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors should log in to Schoology to access introductory information for all their classes on August 18th. All students will attend on Thursday, August 19th.

2021-22 Bell Schedule

1st 7:30-8:14

2nd 8:19-9:03

3rd 9:08-9:52

4th 9:57-10:52 (Lunches)

5th 10:57-11:52 (Lunches)

6th 11:57-12:52 (Lunches)

7th 12:57-1:41

8th 1:46-2:30

- Six lunch periods: 2 during each of 4th, 5th, and 6th Hours
- Flex Time: The last 10 minutes of 4th, 5th, and 6th Hours will be used as Flex Time. Students will be able to work on homework, get help if needed, take a break, use their cell phones, etc.
- Lunch will be free for all students during the 2021-22 school year. It is still important to complete Free/Reduced Lunch paperwork in order to get book fees waived for those who qualify.

Lockers

QHS has approximately 1000 lockers available for student use. They are assigned on a first come, first served basis through the online registration process. Locker assignments and combinations will be handed out some time during the first two weeks of school.

2021-22 COVID Guidance

QHS will follow the guidance provided by the District. Please note that things may change based on the situation in Adams County.

- Masks are not required outdoors.
- Masks are not required in most indoor settings for vaccinated individuals.
- Masks will be highly recommended for unvaccinated students while in the building.
- Masks will be required on the bus and for large gatherings (assemblies).
- QHS will return to a five day a week schedule for all students.
- Instruction will be predominately in-person.
- Students who are ill or showing symptoms of COVID must stay home.
- QHS nurses will continue to contact trace.
- Social distance Where possible, students will be kept three feet apart.

<u>Supplies</u>

We have over 200 different courses at QHS. In addition, schedule changes in the months of July and August are common. For these reasons, coming up with a comprehensive supply list is difficult. We recommend the following basic supplies to get started. Teachers will communicate more specific needs during the first few days of school:

- 1) Laptop or tablet with power cord
- 2) Writing utensils pens and pencils, highlighters
- 3) Paper loose leaf or spiral notebooks
- 4) Organizational tools folders and/or notebooks
- 5) Ear buds

QHS Online Academy

QHS will offer the Online Academy starting this school year. Spots will be limited (125) and entry into the program is not guaranteed. An introductory application and survey is needed to start the process. Contact your QHS counselor or any administrator for more information. Online Academy students will be required to take tests on site at QHS.

Open Learning Center (OLC)

The Open Learning Center will reopen this year. Students may schedule the OLC for an hour during their day and take a variety of online courses.

OLC Test Out Option: Students who are scheduled to take Consumer Education and/or Health in the OLC may test out of these courses. If a student scores a 90% or higher on either pre-test, a grade of A will be recorded, and the student will not have to take the class. In addition, the student will only have to complete the portions of the course over which they did not show mastery. For example, if a student scored 65% on the Health pre-test, that student would only have to complete 35% of the

course. Students may come in to QHS (Room D137) between 8:00 and 11:00 on the following dates to take the pretest(s): August 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12.

<u>Parking</u>

<u>Seniors</u>

Seniors will be able to purchase a parking spot in the A-Building Lobby on August 10 using the following schedule:

21+ Credits: 8:00 am to 10:00 am 18+ Credits: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Any Senior: 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

On August 11th in the A-Building Lobby, any senior will be able to purchase a parking spot from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

To purchase a parking spot, students must have the following: completed registration form, valid driver's license, proof of insurance, and \$60.

Sophomores and Juniors

There will not be Flinn Parking this year. Once Seniors have completed purchasing parking spots, the remaining spots will be opened up to sophomores and juniors. Sophomores and juniors who want a parking spot should sign up on the waiting list in the QHS Main Office.