



August 1, 2022

Dear 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Families and Students,

On behalf of the Staff at El Rancho High School, I would like to welcome you to our amazing school and to the 2022-2023 school year! We are looking forward to a productive school year, full of opportunities and new experiences. I anticipate an exciting year as we continue our work of ensuring a supportive and safe environment for all to thrive both academically and socially.

In order to help facilitate a cohesive focus for our work and coordinate all activities for the year, we will embrace the schoolwide theme:

**Reconnect · Reimagine**

Here are some important dates to note:

Wednesday, August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Class Schedules on AERIES Portal	5:00PM
Tuesday, August 9 <sup>th</sup>	Freshmen Orientation in Main Gym	8:30AM - 11:00AM
Wednesday, August 10 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of School	Classes begin at 8:30AM
Wednesday, August 10 <sup>th</sup> - Friday, August 12 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="#">First Week of School Bell Schedule</a>	
Thursday, August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School Night	5:00PM - 7:25PM

### COVID-19 Mitigation Protocols

- Self-screening at home: Students and staff will perform daily health screenings at home. If your student feels ill, is exhibiting symptoms, or has been exposed to anyone with COVID-19, please keep your student home.
- Masking: Students and staff are encouraged to wear a mask when indoors and must wear a mask if identified as a close contact of a COVID-19 positive case.

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Schedules

Class schedules will be available to view on Aeries Portal, Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 PM. Please complete [Data Confirmation](#) prior to Wednesday. Counselors will be available to meet with students virtually on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-11:30AM and from 1:00-3:00PM, if schedule changes are necessary. [Click here](#) for Zoom links and meeting times.

### Freshmen Orientation

On Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, Freshmen students will have the opportunity to meet with their Link Crew Leaders and get acquainted with our campus. Orientation begins at 8:30AM in the Main Gym. Students will enter campus through the north parking lot near the softball field beginning at 8:15AM and depart from the same location about 11:00AM. Activities will include a rally, bonding, tours, and the opportunity to meet with their counselor, if schedule changes are necessary. If your student will be meeting with their counselor, plan to pick them up closer to 12:00 noon.

### New Bell Schedule

This year our school will be following a new daily schedule. Our start time will be 8:30AM. For students participating in a Zero Period class, Zero Period will take place Tuesday through Friday at 7:25AM. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with the new [2022-23 Schedule](#).

### Technology

All students should bring their fully charged chromebooks and chargers to school daily, beginning the first day of school. If students do not yet have an ERUSD chromebook, check-out will be available during the first week of school.



### Data Confirmation

All parents must complete the [Data Confirmation](#) process for the new school year through the Parent Portal, prior to program preview and prior to the first day of classes on August 10<sup>th</sup>. If you need assistance with this process, please contact the Main Office at (562) 801-7500 as soon as possible. A personal email account is necessary to create a Parent Portal account.

### Breakfast and Lunch

All students, regardless of eligibility or school site, will be provided free breakfast and lunch daily, with Data Confirmation completion. More information from Food Services to follow.

### PE Items and ASB Cards


During the first week of school (before school, during lunch, and after school), your student will have the opportunity to purchase:

- [ASB Card = \\$50.00 \(Click link to see incentives and discounts\)](#)
- PE locker lock/Skateboard lock = \$10
- PE clothing =
  - PE shirt = \$10
  - PE shorts = \$10
  - \$2.00 extra for XXL per item, \$3.00 extra for 3XL per item

The Cashier's Office accepts cash, money order, cashier's check, or Visa/Mastercard when accompanied by the cardholder's valid photo identification – no exceptions. Or you may make online purchases using our [Don Webstore](#).

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns throughout the year, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We invite you to visit the [Don Page](#) and our social media accounts (Twitter: [@EIRanchoHS](#) and student IG: [@EIRanchoASB](#)) for information and announcements. Information will also be published through [Parent Square](#).

Sincerely,

  
Kendall Goyenaga  
Principal