

# HUSKY TALK

## Louis E. Dieruff High School's Parent, Guardian, and Family Newsletter

August 2018  
Back-to-School issue



### IMPORTANT TIMES

Student Breakfast for Period 1 classes (Main Café)	7:00-7:15 AM
Doors open for Period 1 arrivals (A Schedule)	7:15 AM
LCTI Buses Depart	7:15 AM
Period 1 begins	7:20 AM
Student Breakfast for Period 2 classes (Main Café)	7:45-8:05 AM
Doors open for Period 2 arrivals (B Schedule)	8:05 AM
Period 2 begins	8:10 AM
7 <sup>th</sup> period dismissal	1:49 PM
8 <sup>th</sup> period dismissal	2:40 PM

### Principal's Message

Hello Husky Families!

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year at Louis E. Dieruff High School! We are excited to once again begin this important work of "learning" with your sons and daughters. In order to be successful, we want to instill healthy and effective work habits in the minds and hearts of your students, and this school year we are going to emphasize three behaviors in particular. Successful people (1) maintain attention to tasks, (2) persevere, and (3) work through projects to completion. Successful learners adopt these three characteristics as well; therefore, I am proud to share with you our 2018-2019 Dieruff High School theme:

#### FOCUS, FOLLOW THROUGH, AND FINISH!

Too often, we might lose our attention due to the many distractions our world offers. Moreover, we may lose our inspiration to take the next step as we work through a project, and, regretfully, we might even leave ventures unfinished. Let's work together, as a school and a family, to emphasize with our students the importance of focusing, following through, and finishing! Let's support our children throughout the school year with their school work, their studying, and their class projects, pushing them to always keep working and to finish what they have begun. Together, we will cheer them on through school, graduation, and their life's pathway. We look forward to an exciting and productive school year ahead.

Mrs. Bocian, Principal

Important Dieruff Phone Numbers	Main Office	484-765-5500 or 5501	Guidance Office	484-765-5503
	Main Office Fax	484-765-5512	Guidance Office Fax	484-765-5516
	Health Room/Nurse	484-765-5646	Attendance Office	484-765-5629
	Health Room Fax	484-765-5520	Attendance Office Fax	484-765-5565
	Parent Liaison	484-765-5654	Athletic Office	484-765-5613

**Designated drop-off and pick-up areas:** In order to ensure safety for all pedestrians in our front and rear parking lots, students can only be dropped off and picked up on Cedar or Jerome Streets (north and east sides of school). So, if you drive your student to school or always give them a ride home, please assist us in securing our students' safety in our parking lots and plan for dropping off or picking up your student(s) on these two designated streets - not in our parking lots Thank you!

### First Day of School!

All students, grades 9-12, report on **Tuesday, September 4, 2018** For a Period 2 start time of 7:20 AM (No period 1- Extended period 2) Doors open at 7:15 AM.

You will receive a postcard notifying you of the room to which students are to report.

#### DESIGNATED ENTRANCE DOORS:

Students enter through rear athletic lobby doors or Commons entrance ramp doors (via Andre Reed Way).

All students are expected to be UNIFORM COMPLIANT and dressed for success!



Phone number or address change? Please be sure to contact our guidance office with your new contact information.

### ☺ Save the Dates ☺

**LCTI New Student Orientation**  
Tuesday, August 28, 2018  
Busses depart Dieruff 10:45 AM  
Busses return to Dieruff 3:00 PM

**DIERUFF OPEN HOUSE NIGHT**  
Wednesday, September 26, 2018  
6:00 - 8:00 PM

### Check out our school website daily.

Be sure to visit our school website often. We post our school's daily bulletin on the site, as well as other important information, schedules, and news. Go to ASD's home page, at [www.allentownsd.org](http://www.allentownsd.org) and choose "Schools" from the top menu bar. Click on "High Schools" and choose Dieruff.

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### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade August Orientation Evening Family Event and Open Building Access Dates



We are hosting an orientation for you and your families on **Tuesday, August 21, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM**. Please join us! Meet staff members, learn more about high school student uniforms, and enjoy a tour of your new school. Light refreshments will be served. Please enter through the front main doors. On **Wednesday, August 22 from 1:00-3:00 PM** and on **Thursday, August 23 from 9:00-11:00 AM**, we are offering open building access hours for new students and 9<sup>th</sup> graders to explore the campus with their family. Students must arrive with a parent or guardian to tour the building at your own pace. Student ambassadors will be posted on campus to assist you. Grade 9 students and their families will receive a separate mailing regarding these events.

### News from our Guidance Department...

#### **SCHEDULES**

Enclosed you will find a list of courses in which your student is enrolled for the 2018-2019 school year. On the first day of school, your child will be issued his/her final schedule, complete with periods and teacher assignments. If your child has made a change in their academic program, please contact the respective counselor prior to August 30<sup>th</sup> for an appointment.

#### **FAFSA**

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid is for graduating seniors who plan on attending 2 or 4-year colleges, business schools and trade schools. Current seniors can file their 2018-2019 FAFSA as early as Oct. 1, 2018.

#### **COLLEGE AND CAREER COUNSELING**

Mrs. Jeanne Grieger is Dieruff's College and Career Counselor. Students assigned to a Study Seminar may ask their teacher for a pass to see Mrs. Grieger for information regarding post-graduation plans. Mrs. Grieger has access to college testing fee waivers, college and military visitation days to Dieruff, and many online resources. Parents and guardians may also contact Mrs. Grieger at 484.765.5659.

#### **NEW THIS YEAR: SAT Testing During School Day**

We're very excited to now be administering College Board's SAT test on our PSAT test day, October 10, 2018. More details to follow

#### **SAT SATURDAY FALL TEST DATES (AT DIERUFF HS)**

Test Date	Registration Deadline
October 6, 2018	September 7, 2018
November 3, 2018	October 5, 2018
December 1, 2018	November 2, 2018

Students should see their guidance counselor before registering for potential financial aid.

#### **All you wanted to know about Dieruff High School!**

During the first week of school, your student will receive a 2018-2019 Dieruff High School Student Planner. The first section of this calendar planner is a detailed overview of our entire high school program, with information about courses, athletics, activities, and so much more. Please ask your child to show you his/her planner and review the information together. Stay up-to-date on all Dieruff has to offer! Continue to encourage your student to use this planner all year long to record important assignments, quizzes, and tests.

#### **2018-2019 Dieruff Uniform Dress Code**

(For full details visit the district website at [allentownsd.org](http://allentownsd.org))

#### **Tops: Must be in appropriate size, color, and tucked in**

- School ID must be worn and visible. Lanyards provided.
- Navy Blue or Grey Short-sleeve Polo Style Shirts (no logos/emblems, no button-down oxford/blouse/shirt)
- Navy Blue or Grey Long-sleeve Polo Style Shirts (no logos/emblems, no button-down oxford/blouse/shirt)

#### **Bottoms: NO cargo pants. NO jeans. NO spandex pants.**

#### **NO leggings. NO sweatpants.**

- Khaki or Black Pants (khaki style/dress pants/tailored/boot cut pants) worn at the natural waist
- Khaki or Black Shorts or Capris (knee length or longer; khaki style/dress pants/tailored/boot cut pants)
- Khaki or Black Skirts or Skorts (knee length or longer; khaki style/dress pants/tailored/boot cut pants)

#### **Belts: If pants, skirts, or skorts do not have belt loops, then student is not required to wear a belt**

- Brown, Black or Tan Solid colors (buckle should be 2x3 inches, no logos, designs, emblems, or insignias).

#### **Footwear/Boots/Accessories**

- NO Doo-rags, NO Hoodies
- Navy/gray sweater or hoodless sweatshirt allowed over polo
- Shoes and Sneakers: Can be any color
- Boots: Must be solid color of Black, Brown, Yellow or Tan
  - Heels cannot be more than 2 inches in height
  - Footwear/Boots **cannot** have pattern, picture, drawing, diagram or decorative item(s)
  - **Pants must be worn over boots/footwear, not tucked in.**