# STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL 2018-2019



# Principal's Newsletter

We are all excited to start another great year at MSD! Please remember, the 1st day of school for students will begin promptly at 7:40 am on Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> will be a Silver Day, periods 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, will be a Burgundy Day, periods 5, 6, 7, 8.

In preparation for this year, please know that the safety and security of our students will be our top priority at MSD and across the district. The following safety and security related "non-negotiables" will be implemented this year:

- All students/staff must wear their ID's at all times
- Once the school day begins, ALL perimeter gates will be secured and all visitors will have to enter through our main parking lot
- All parents/visitors/guests are required to proceed through the main office using the Security Tracking and Response (STAR) system
- Stoneman Douglas will be conducting monthly Code Red drills in addition to other state-required drills. Appropriate notification will be provided for all Code Red drills

I understand that these expectations will require a change in behavior and, at times, may also pose an inconvenience; however, prioritizing the safety and security of our students and staff is paramount. In addition, we cannot implement these changes successfully without your help. Please communicate the importance of these safety initiatives to your student(s) on a regular basis. More in-depth information will be provided to students once school begins.

Please look on our website for more specific information.

## **School Hours:**

7:40 am – 2:40 pm (First bell rings at 7:32 am)

All students are expected to be in their classrooms by 7:40 am.

#### **Open House**

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 6:00 pm REPORT to 1st period



#### **ID Badges**

Safety and security are priorities. All students are required to wear their ID at all times. Students without ID will be issued a new ID and be charged \$5. Progressive discipline will be used for those repeatedly not wearing a badge.

#### **Student Sign In/Out**

Parents will sign in/out their students in the front office. All visitors will be logged in via the STAR system.

## **Student Parking Lot Gates**

The Student Parking Lot gate (North Gate) will be open from 7:00-7:40am and from 2:40–3:10 pm. Gates will be opened by security 5 minutes before and after each class change. (Dual Enrollment, Appointments)

#### **Campus Hours**

Campus will be open for students from 7am–3:10pm. Students not participating in after school activities must leave campus or be picked up by 3:10 pm.

<u>Code of Student Conduct Handbook</u> is now being done on-line at https://www.browardschools.com/codeofconduct.