



NORTHEAST OHIO COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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Greetings NEO Knight Families:

Welcome to a new school year, one filled with the promise and new programming to enhance excitement for learning! I hope everyone had an enjoyable and safe summer. As the NEO High School Principal, I am proud of all the progress our team accomplished through diligent and focused work during the unprecedented school year.

As a College Preparatory High School, we are missioned to develop young people that are prepared for 21st Century learning opportunities, while attending a four year college or university upon graduation. On May 26, 2021, we had the distinct pleasure of graduating our seventh class of 33 scholars and more importantly, they amassed well over \$1,750,000.00 in scholarship money! Many of our graduating seniors decided to attend colleges and universities in Ohio, while several have optioned for out of state programs, Ivy League and HBCUs to begin their postsecondary education.

In efforts to continue the aforementioned positive momentum, it will take the entire NEO High School village; which includes you, our families in ensuring your scholar is prepared and present at school on a daily basis. Not only do we need your scholar present, we need them here on time! The doors open at 7:15am and breakfast ends at 7:45am. Our enrichment block and homeroom, begins at 7:50am to 8:21am. Your scholar is considered tardy at 8:20am.

Families, we need you to be active participants in your scholar's success. Please know we are in this together. We need you to engage in discussions with your young adult regarding their overall academic and behavioral progress throughout the year. To assist you with these extremely important conversations, you can monitor their daily **progress through PowerSchool and Canvas Learning Platform. There you will be able to communicate directly with your scholar's teachers, as well as see their grades in each course.**

In addition, expect emails and/or frequent calls from teachers, guidance counselors and leaders, as well as scheduled parent-teacher conferences. You can also access important school information on our website: www.neocollegeprep.org. Our goal is to keep all families well-informed regarding your scholar and any activities occurring within NEO High School. Again, we believe our families are integral to ensuring that our school continues to grow as a progressive center for learning.

The entire NEO High School leadership team has been working tirelessly, planning many new learning options, including eLearning for our scholars. We will continue to build on our successes from last year in an effort to increase student achievement and ultimately reach our goal of

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competitive excellence. Families, I know working as a team **WE CAN and WE WILL** overcome any challenges that may arise because **WE ARE THE NEO KNIGHTS!**

All leadership team members are the same as last year and we can be reached via cellular numbers or email:

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Outlined and attached below you will find important information that you and your scholar(s) will need to know to ensure a successful year at NEO High School. Additional information regarding the beginning of the school year will be forthcoming in subsequent mailings.

High School Supply List

Below you will find a list of supplies for each course of study for your high school scholar. These items are a requirement for your scholar to have this year.

General Supplies	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two packages of loose-leaf notebook paper • One college ruled notebook per core subject and electives for note taking • One plastic homework folder for all subjects • One package of pencils • One package of pens • One handheld pencil sharpener • Highlighters • 2 boxes of tissues – given to homeroom teacher • Combination Lock - REQUIRED 	
Math	Literature
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One 1.5" 3-ring binder • Protractor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One 2" binder – 3-ring • Five dividers

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ruler• Calculator (TI-30X) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two Pocket Folders• Two marble composition notebooks (2)• Public Library card |
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Daily Dress Code

Daily: All Scholars Must Wear

1. Black or white Polo style shirt and NEO High School gear
2. Black or khaki dress slacks or black or khaki knee length skirts (young ladies) * **No skinny jeans, athletic pants, or stretch pants (yoga) are permitted. All pants must be without holes or rips and be able to accommodate a belt.**
3. **No additional jackets, hoodies, are permitted – ONLY NEO hoodies may be purchased and worn.**
4. Black shoes – All black athletic shoes may be worn
5. Black belt without distracting buckles * **Mandatory if wearing slacks**
6. Jewelry may be worn, but it should be minimal and not cause distractions.
7. **Hair color must be natural colors. Red, pink, purple, green, blue etc. are not permitted. Scholars will be asked to remove inappropriate hair colors immediately.**

******Any scholar who does not have all parts of their daily uniform is considered to be out of uniform for the day, resulting in a progression of consequences******

Again, welcome to the 2021 -2022 school year. We look forward to working closely with your family to reach our **Destination is Excellence**. If any questions arise, please do not hesitate to contact the office or the leadership team.

Yours in Education,

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