



Preparing Every
Student for Success in
College, Career, and Life

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South Mountain Jaguar Family,

We are extremely excited for the upcoming school year at South Mountain High School. We have a number of important items to share with you regarding the start of school. Please see below for information of when you can view your schedule on StudentVue and when you can come to campus to speak with a counselor before the first day of school. We look forward to leading all of our students on the path of success in college, career and life.

1. Freshman Orientation (Incoming 9th Graders)

Freshman Orientation will take place on Thursday, August 2nd from 8:00am to 1:00pm. This is an opportunity for students to learn about what it means to be a freshman at South, and to receive your first semester schedule and get your photo taken for your ID.

2. Freshman Parent Night – Thursday 8/2 at 6:00pm

All parents of incoming freshman are welcome to attend our Freshman Parent Night to receive more information about South Mountain High School, and what to expect in your child's first year in high school.

3. Schedules for returning students (10th – 12th grade students)

Returning students can view their schedule on StudentVue on Thursday, July 26th. You can access StudentVue on the Phoenix Union website. Students will receive a paper copy of their schedule, and their ID, on the first day of school in their advisory classroom. Be advised that counselors are working on schedules all the way up to the first day of school and your schedule may change during that period.

4. What if I cannot access StudentVue or I want to request a schedule change

Students who need to make schedule changes or speak with a counselor, can do so the week before school. This is also a time for new students who do not have access to StudentVue to see their schedule. Please see the back side of this letter for dates and times that you can meet with a counselor.

5. Lunch Applications

It is extremely important that we receive all lunch applications. This allows us to continue to provide free breakfast and lunch to ALL of our students. This year only incoming freshman and new students need to submit an application. Even if you believe you may not qualify, we still need your application submitted. You can submit your application online on the Phoenix Union website (under the 'Parents' tab). For parents of freshman that do not know their child's Student ID, you will have the opportunity to complete the lunch application at Freshman orientation.

6. Bus Passes

Students can get a 31-day bus pass on the first day of school during lunch in the South gym. Students will need to complete an application for a year long pass. Applications can be picked up in the front office or in the South gym at lunch.

Thank you for your support in helping your child succeed this year. We look forward to working with you.

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