

Hancock Central School District

The Wildcat Pledge: We nurture and empower each learner's unlimited capacity to become a responsible citizen with a promising future.

Our Vision: Striving for excellence as an innovative, advanced and reflective school community.

Core Beliefs:

- **Our mindset:** We do whatever it takes to ensure continuous growth because we believe each of us can learn.
- **Collaboration:** We work better together, always.
- **Innovation:** We embrace creativity and advancing technology.
- **Integrity:** We trust, respect, support and care for one another.
- **Learning environment:** Our approach is engaging, learner-centered and adaptable to individual needs.
- **Student centered:** We put students first.

August 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students of Hancock Middle and High School,

The end of August is just around the corner and the 2021-2022 school year is fast approaching. We hope your summer recess has been both productive and restful! The faculty and staff have been working diligently in preparation for your arrival. **School will officially open on Thursday, September 9, 2021.** Until then, we would like to take a moment to update you on what is happening here in the MS/HS:

Please extend a warm Wildcat welcome to Miss Autumn Kellam (Art), Mr. Michael Massaro (Instrumental Music), Mrs. Jackie Petriella (Licensed Teaching Assistant) and Mr. Ryan Smith (Physical Education and Computers) as they join our professional family this September.

Hancock High school will continue to offer a wide selection of college credit bearing courses. Juniors and seniors, we hope you will check out some of our dual credit, distance learning, and College Now options. Please check with Mrs. Joan Rice, school counselor, if you or your child have any questions regarding our college credit programs.

Once again, we have posted online links to the 2021-2022 student handbook and acknowledgment form on the main page of our website. <https://www.hancock.stier.org/>

In preparation for the first day of school, we ask parents and students to review the handbook prior to the start of the school year. The acknowledgement form should be returned to homeroom teachers no later than

Friday, September 17, 2021.

Other important dates:

September 9, 2021 – Opening Day of School
September 23, 2021 – Curriculum Night / College Night
October 15, 2021 – Homecoming

Thank you for all of your support and we are looking forward to an amazing 2021-2022!

Sincerely,

Julie Bergman
PreK-12 Principal

Jackie Beamer
Director of Pupil Personnel Services