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Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is difficult to believe that the month of July has already passed and that we are now at the start of August. I hope that you and your families are using this summer to find some time to relax and recharge. As I say each year, the most remarkable aspect of being an educator is that each September we get to start anew, building on the strengths of the past but making the necessary adjustments to become even stronger as we move ahead. I am beyond excited by the thought of a new school year beginning.

I would be remiss if I did not thank our twelve-month and ten-month/two-week administrators and support staff for all of their diligent work this summer. Their efforts are a central reason why we will be ready for a successful opening. Our maintenance team led by Mr. John Pingor is deserving of a special acknowledgement for their preparation of our buildings and grounds. They engage in projects throughout the year so that our students and staff are provided with enhanced facilities. The importance of this physical upkeep of our schools should never be devalued.

Schools will reopen for students on Thursday, September 5 with a regular schedule. This first day of school is always a most special one and one that we, as a school district, are excited for. The various arrival and dismissal times for our schools can be found on our district website at the following link: [Clark Schools Arrival and Dismissal Times](#). I look forward to seeing you early in the school year at our Back-to-School Nights. VRS's is scheduled for Monday, September 16; ALJ's for Tuesday, September 17; FKH's for Wednesday, September 18; CHK's for Thursday, September 19; and CPA's for Monday, September 23.

Our district will be using the Genesis software interface as its student data management system for the second year now. This program is a versatile one that should continue to greatly enhance communication between our school district and families by, for example, being inclusive of an updated Parent Portal. If you are new to our district and in order to begin using the program, please go to <https://parents.genesisedu.com/clark>. So as to log into the system, use the email address that you provided on the registration paperwork. **Your temporary password for the system should have been sent to that address. Kindly know that you will be able to change your password and other information, including your email address, after you initially log in. A Genesis user guide will also be sent to the email account attached to your login information as well. This year we will again be using email as the primary mode of sending written communication home throughout our district. As a result, please make certain that your email address is kept current and updated within the Genesis system.**



Kindly note that it is recommended that parents/guardians do not share their login information with their children. Students in grades five to twelve will have accounts of their own to access their records, schedules, and other information. They too can access their Genesis accounts by visiting the same link that was provided above but by entering the six-digit student identification numbers connected to their school email accounts as their usernames. **They should enter the temporary passwords sent to these school email accounts.**

This system is now ready for you to access. However, student schedules for the upcoming school year will not be made available until the very end of the summer. **Please pay careful attention to any messages that are posted when you log in each time as important information will be displayed.** If you or your children have any questions or trouble logging in, reach out to our district Genesis help desk at genesis@clarkschools.org. In addition, visit our district website at www.clarkschools.org and, under the “More” tab towards the top right of that page, you will find a “Genesis Student Information System” sub-tab. This sub-tab currently houses a copy of the Parent User Guide along with links to the actual Genesis website and a virtual Parent University session on the system. Additional resources will be added there as they become needed.

Know that we, as an administrative team, have an open-door policy and are here to address any concerns that you may have throughout the course of the school year. In closing, it is my hope that you enjoy what is left of the summer season.

Respectfully yours,

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