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## *Modesto Christian Middle School/High School*

24 July 2020

Dear Students & Parents,

We hope you are enjoying your summer vacation. We have many exciting things in store for this school year, and we are so happy to have you as part of the MC family. The high school has been busily preparing for our students return August 13! You can expect a student & parent letter outlining Crusader Round Up, scheduled for Wednesday, August 12, and emailed next week.

### *New Counselor!*

We are pleased to announce the arrival of our new College/Career Counselor, Ms. Alyda Reyes. Ms. Reyes graduated from Liberty University with a BS in Psychology and has a College Career Certificate from UC Riverside. Most recently, she was a Counselor at Fremont Christian in the Bay Area. We are eager for you to meet our new Counselor.

Ms. Reyes is also available to assist both you and your parents throughout your high school career regarding academic, college, and career options. The Counselor will be sending out email communications during the year regarding important counseling related information, so be on the lookout for the monthly Counseling Newsletters.

### *Master Schedule!*

Middle School & High School student schedules and the Master Schedule are now ready for your review as an enrolled student. If you have yet to enroll for the coming school year, please see the Registrar for assistance. Once enrollment is completed, we will prepare a schedule for you. Enclosed in this email (for enrolled students) are the following documents:

- Student Schedule - available FACTS Family Portal (formerly RenWeb)
- Master Schedule
- Bell Schedule

Students may discuss their schedules and request schedule changes for the coming school year. For those who have yet to meet Ms. Reyes, please feel free to contact her with questions regarding your schedule or questions that may come up throughout the school year at [alyda.reyes@modestochristian.org](mailto:alyda.reyes@modestochristian.org). To schedule a meeting with Ms. Reyes via Google Meets or Zoom please schedule with the school Registrar, Mary Gomez, at 209-343-2337.

### *New College & Career Center!*

The MCS College & Career Center is now located in the main office, next to the Counselor's office, and is available for students before and after school, as well as during break and lunch. In order for students to access the center, they must check in first with the Registrar at the front office. We have three computers available for college/career research and printing schoolwork. We are also ordering college brochures and information for students to access, so you are encouraged to come browse the many options available to you following high school!

## *Big Changes!*

As you will see, we have adopted a new Bell Schedule. The Department Chairs and Administrative Team collaborated last spring on how to fine-tune the block schedule to enhance class time. The changes now include time for Clubs, Activities, ASB and other student groups to meet. We are calling this Collaboration Day-8th period ending at 2:34 for students desires to participate in these activities. Mr. Pearce and Coach Robb will provide updated information regarding after school athletics in light of recent CIF guidelines.

Our new ASB Advisor is Mrs. Gomez, as Mr. Casion has a full schedule teaching Bible for the coming year. ASB is taking over B9 and making some fun renovations to the Crusader Den! ASB elections will take place the first few weeks of school. For an ASB Leadership Application and election details, please see the school website for more information, next week. ASB will meet Thursdays during the Collaborative/8th period and is included in the Bell Schedule. Athletics will not meet during this time period on Thursdays reserved for ASB and Clubs.

For the first time in MC's history, we are bringing on Campus Pastors! They are looking forward to meeting our students and families. We are excited to have youth ministers on the team!

Collaborative Thursdays will also provide teachers a dedicated time period for Professional Development, Department Meetings for grade level articulation and Accreditation work. If your students should require afterschool care, please contact EDC.

We are looking forward to our students returning to campus in August. If the administration may be of any assistance to you, please contact our main office at 209-529-5510.

Building for the Future,

*Cynthia A. Jewell*

**Interim Superintendent/Principal HS**

*Vicki Olsson*

**Principal MS**