



Carencro High School

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Dear Parents and Students of Carencro High School,

This is an amazing year of change and growth for both the school and students. High School is an amazing opportunity for students to prepare for their future. We are committed to preparing young people for life. It is our fundamental belief that all students can learn and should be provided opportunities to challenge themselves and expand their knowledge and experience. At Carencro HS, we work as a team to ensure that the needs of our students are being met; that students are provided the best educational opportunities possible. It is our goal that each student is successful and able to walk in their graduation ceremony; prepared for the future. You can expect each student to receive a well-rounded education from our school with an emphasis on technology. We have worked very diligently to create a combination of rigorous academic standards and achievements for our student as well as create a safe, inviting school culture where the focus is on learning.

Our primary focus is student learning and offering all student the educational opportunities that will maximize their potential to the fullest. There is a demand for students to think critically. This skill will be necessary to be successful in any occupation. The team at Carencro HS accomplishes this goal by challenging each student to think in terms of rigor academically and personal goals for each student. We recognize that each student learns differently and work to meet and challenge each student.

Orientation for the Class of 2017 and 2018 (Senior and Juniors) will be Monday, August 1, 2016 from 9 AM until 11 AM. Class of 2019 (Sophomores) will have orientation on the same day from 12:30 PM until 2:30 PM. Seniors will be able to take Senior Pictures on the same day as orientation. The Class of 2020 (Freshmen) will have orientation on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 from 8:30 AM until 10:30 AM. You must come to orientation in uniform. All fees will include a Carencro t-shirt and ID with a Carencro lanyard. Fees are as follows: 9th and 10th Grades are \$65, and 11th and 12th Grades are \$70. Senior fees also include a complimentary ticket to prom. Fees also include English, math, science, and social studies fees in the fee total, but not fees for elective classes.

Carencro HS is unique because of the strong, resourceful community and family connections that are present within our school. We encourage you to follow the BEARS pride for parents:

Be involved in your child's education. Be present and attentive to their educational needs. Be supportive of the school. Know their friends, teachers, counselor, and coaches.

Encourage your child to be involved in sports, clubs, and/or the various activities offered in school. Encourage them to challenge themselves in a variety of ways. There are many opportunities for students to be involved in a variety of activities including athletics, clubs, and organizations.

Accept responsibility for your student including their academic work and their behavior on campus. Communicate with teachers to assist your child to be successful in every aspect of their education.

Reinforce good character and behavior for your child in school and in the community. Model how you expect your child to act and show them how to be responsible. We are striving to do so also.

Support your child in all aspects of their education from the classroom to the locker room. Be their biggest cheerleader and supporter. Check their grades on parent portal on a regular basis and discuss them with your child. Set realistic goals together.

Carencro High School has a long tradition of providing a solid education and opportunities for all students to excel both academically and athletically. We are the bears and we will succeed both in the classroom and on the field. We need your support and we are grateful that you are Carencro High School.



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Our mission statement is CHS—Preparing Young Adults for the Future. With this in mind, we want you to encourage your student to be involved in multitude of clubs and organizations that are on campus. At orientation, many clubs and organizations will have tables set up to recruit members. This is an opportunity to be involved.

There are many ways to help your student be successful in high school. Attendance is extremely important for students to be successful in school. If you have ten or more absences in a class, you will not receive credit for that class, even if you have a 100% average. Make sure that your student attends school every day. It is important that students are on time every day for school. Attendance will be more closely monitored. When a student misses days, there will be attendance recovery available on Tuesdays and Thursdays for an hour. Parents will need to provide transportation home. Attendance will have to be recovered in the next grading period; students will not be able to wait until the end of the year to make up time missed in the classroom. Tardies and check ins and outs will accumulate into absences. Doctor's notes will need to be timely. Please encourage students to attend class so that attendance and tardies are not an issue for them.

We have quite a few changes with staffing. We have been able to add several teachers to our staff as well as another counselor so that each grade will have their own counselor. We have the distinct privilege of having Mr. Rollins on staff as well as Mrs. Leger. Please welcome the new staff members and make them feel a part of the Carencro community.

Please remember that you always have access to the parent portal to monitor student grades. This information is useful for both students and parents. There is also the student handbook online for your convenience.

Dress code has changed a little for 2016-2017.

ID: must be worn around the neck and visible at all times for school safety.

Shirts: Only navy polos or navy Carencro Bears school tee-shirts will be allowed.

Hoodies/Sweatshirts: Only Carencro or college hoodies and sweatshirts will be allowed.

Jackets/Outerwear: any color (no alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or inappropriate references) as long as it zips up or buttons up and as long as you have a complete uniform on

Bottoms: Pants and shorts have to be hemmed, but joggers are allowed. Sagging and extremely tight clothing are not allowed. Students should make sure that they are appropriately dressed.

Shoes: CHS students may only wear closed toe and closed back shoes at all times. No bedroom slippers, house shoes, flip flops, etc...

Bags: Book bags, backpacks, or messenger bags must be mesh or clear. No other bags will be allowed including purses and athletic bags.

Hair: Hair should not be extreme—in other words no unnatural colors like pink, orange, blue, green, or purple. CHS students may not wear head wraps or bandanas of any color.

Discipline will follow the LPSS Discipline Matrix that is contained in the Student Handbook. Cell phones are still not allowed on campus. If a student chooses to bring a cell phone on campus, it must be concealed at all times. If the cell phone or other electronic device goes missing, it is not the responsibility of Carencro High School to locate the item. If a student is seen using an unauthorized electronic device, the first offense is confiscation of the device for five business days. The second offense is 30 business days. The third offense is confiscation for the remainder of the year. If a student refuses to turn over a device, LPSS requires a recommendation for expulsion. The campus has two phones for students to use during an emergency. If there is an emergency or situation on campus, you will be notified with a pace call. Also, be aware that fighting is not allowed on campus. If a situation arises, there are adults available throughout the campus to resolve the issue. If a student participates in a fight, all participants will be suspended and possibly arrested. If a student participates in more than one fight, they will be automatically recommended for expulsion. There are other ways to resolve issues than fighting. We are here to learn; disruptions to the academic environment will not be tolerated.



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Correct contact information is extremely important. We need to make sure in the event of emergency that contact phone numbers are correct. We also need to periodically verify address. Please bring a copy of a utility bill to orientation for this verification.

Scheduling will be finished before orientation. Student request were put in during the Spring semester. Counselors have worked diligently to make sure that students are in the classes they need for their graduation path. A senior cannot have an off period if they do not have transportation. This includes a car or truck or a reliable ride. Students cannot hang out on campus at any time unsupervised—they are trespassing. If you do not attend orientation, then students will pick up their schedule on the first day of school. The only reason that a schedule can be changed is if a student is scheduled into a class that they have already passed for credit; the student previously failed a class with the same teacher that they are scheduled with in the same subject; missing a required class needed for graduation. Schedule request for other reasons will be denied except by the discretion of the principal. Please remember that parental permission is needed to make schedule changes.

The bell schedule has changed a little this year. Please note the new schedule:

Regular Schedule:

1st Bell	7:00
Period 1	7:05 - 8:00
Period 2	8:04 - 8:35 (RTI, Study Hall, Enrichment, iB4e, Freshman 101, Tutoring)
Period 3	8:39 - 9:30
Period 4	9:34 - 10:25
1st Lunch	10:25 - 10:55
1st Period 5	10:29 - 11:20
2nd Lunch	11:20 - 11:50
2nd Period 5	10:59 - 11:50
Period 6	11:54 - 12:45
Period 7	12:49 - 1:40
Period 8	1:44 - 2:35

Pep Rally Bell Schedule (No 2nd Hour)

Take in Bell	7:00
P1	7:05 - 7:57
P3	8:01 - 8:50
P4	8:54 - 9:43
1st Lunch	9:43 - 10:13
1st P5	9:47 - 10:36
2nd P5	10:17 - 11:06
2nd Lunch	10:36 - 11:06
P6	11:10 - 11:59
P7	12:03 - 12:52
P8	12:56 - 1:45
Pep Rally	1:45 - 2:35

E2020 (online credits) will continue to be a resource this year to. We will also have available timely credit recovery. It is important that students complete assignments in a timely manner so that credit recovery is not needed. Graduating seniors who need a course for graduation and AOIT students will have first priority. If you anticipate a need, please see your counselor.



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We have been selected to be a 1:1 pilot program. Every freshman will have access to a chrome book throughout the year. Once freshmen students have demonstrated responsibility, they will be issued to the student. Students are responsible for the care and safety of the equipment. If the equipment is damaged, the student will be responsible for its replacement. Please assist students in using this technology to accelerate their learning and the educational opportunities.

Senior pictures will be August, 1st here at Carencro High School. Call 337-344-1562 to schedule a time for a sitting.

Our primary goal is to focus on learning so that all students can succeed. If our students succeed, then ultimately the school is successful. Every student should do their best every day. Make good decisions and choices. Be involved in organizations—academic or athletic. Let's make this the year best year ever and move Carencro High School forward with improved school scores.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Qualey, Principal