

# JAMESVILLE – DeWITT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Welcome Back, Students!

After a beautiful summer, we are looking forward to the start of this unusual school year. Your schedule for the 2020-2021 school year is accessible from the high school schooltool link (<https://jd.schooltool.cnyric.org/schooltoolweb/>) and will be mailed home September 8th. Please note the following points in reviewing your schedule.

- You may notice you do not have all of the courses you may have requested back in the Spring of 2020. Please look carefully at your schedule and review your core courses to be sure you are in the appropriate classes. If you see an error, please email your school counselor—see the Counseling Center webpage for contact information.
- Due to the reduced number of students permitted in each classroom, we will not be able to adjust any core courses in student schedules unless there is an error.**
- Electives may be added *only* if a study hall has been scheduled, there is space for the elective during that open period and there is an available seat in the selected course. **The number of electives and the number of seats has been greatly reduced to maintain social distancing guidelines.** See the Counseling Center webpage at ([www.jamesvilledewitt.org/highschool](http://www.jamesvilledewitt.org/highschool)) for a list of **Electives By Period** under “Helpful Information.” Health guidelines must be strictly followed and will guide scheduling decisions.

**LUNCH** - Although it does not show clearly on your schedule, all students will have a lunch period. Lunch is scheduled during the 3-4-5 period block. If your class is scheduled for 3.4, you will have lunch in the 5th period. A period 3.5 class will have 4th period lunch, and a 4.5 period class will have 3rd period lunch. You may find it easier to understand your schedule if you copy it into the enclosed grid.

All 9th grade students are scheduled for Freshman Seminar, which shares a period with science labs. Your School Counselor will explain these meeting times for those classes on the first day of school.

## OPENING DAYS...

Freshmen	A-Ka	Thursday, September 10th
Freshmen	Ke-Z	Friday, September 11th

*\*Students new to JD in grades 10-12 will be contacted by their School Counselor to arrange orientation.\**

The official start of the school year will be **Monday, September 14th**. Those students in Groups A & C will report to the high school, while the students in Groups B & E will be expected to sign into their courses remotely. Students in Group B will begin their in-person instruction on Thursday, September 17th. Please refer to the August 13 Community Letter from Dr. Smith at [www.jamesvilledewitt.org](http://www.jamesvilledewitt.org) to determine your student grouping.

**All students should be checking their school email regularly, as teachers will be sending necessary instructions for class meetings, Google Classroom connections and assignments.**

We are excited about the start of the school year, and we look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

Paul G. Gasparini  
Principal

P.S. Please refer to the JD Family FAQ COVID Reopening document and Powerpoint on the JDHS website ([jamesvilledewitt.org/highschool](http://jamesvilledewitt.org/highschool)) for more details. If you have not already done so, please sign up for the email notifications for the most current information!

**GA (Group A): A-Ka**

**GB (Group B): Ke-Z**

**NOTE: Group C attends school Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday**

**September 2020**

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
		1	2 Staff Development	3 Staff Development	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8 Staff Development	9 Staff Development	10 Freshmen Orientation GA	11 Freshmen Orientation GB	12
13	14 A GA	15 B GA	16 Remote Office Hours	17 A GB	18 B GB	19
20	21 C GA	22 D GA	23 Remote Office Hours	24 C GB	25 D GB	26
27	28 Yom Kippur	29 A GA	30 Remote Office Hours			

**October 2020**

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
				1 A GB	2 B GB	3
4	5 C GA	6 D GA	7 Remote Office Hours	8 C GB	9 D GB	10
11	12 Columbus Day	13 B GA	14 Remote Office Hours	15 A GB	16 B GB	17
18	19 C GA	20 D GA	21 Remote Office Hours	22 C GB	23 D GB	24
25	26 A GA	27 B GA	28 Remote Office Hours	29 A GB	30 B GB	31

**November 2020**

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
1	2 C GA	3 Election Day	4 Remote Office Hours	5 C GB	16 D GB	7
8	9 A GA	10 B GA	11 Veterans Day	12 A GB	13 B GB	14
15	16 C GA	17 D GA	18 Remote Office Hours	19 C GB	20 D GB	21
22	23 A GA	24 B GA	25 Thanksgiving	26 Holiday	27 Holiday	28
29	30 C GA					