



# Design Science

## MIDDLE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

Fresno Unified School District

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH FRESNO CITY COLLEGE

June 3, 2023

Dear Design Science Students and Families,

We hope you are all enjoying your summer together. Some of you are taking summer school classes or enrichment, while some are working and interning at different organizations throughout the Valley. Some of you are just resting up for the new school year! You should consider reading, writing, or creating projects. In addition, we hope you take time to get physically and mentally healthy, from eating the right foods to exercising. We are so excited to hear about all you do this summer.

We are writing to prepare you for the new school year. Please remember not to schedule vacations or absences when we start school on August 3, as we begin before other Fresno Unified School District (FUSD) schools. Here are the important dates:

- **August 2, Wednesday, 9:00 – 12:00 pm, Fresno City College Cafeteria – Freshmen only are invited to attend Link Crew Activities**, take photos for Fresno City College IDs, and receive class schedules.
- **August 3, Thursday, 8:30 am to 3:13 pm, Fresno City College Cafeteria – First Day of School**. Students will start in the cafeteria. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will receive their class schedules.
- **August 4, Friday, 8:30 am to 1:10 pm – Minimum Day schedule**. This allows us to troubleshoot schedules, specifically Fresno City College schedules. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors will take their photos for Fresno City College IDs during advisory periods.
- **OPTIONAL FOR FAMILIES: August 17, Thursday, 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Start at FCC Business Education Building Courtyard, Park in Lot B** (Parking relaxed) – Parents/Guardians and families are invited for a tour around the college campus. It is also an opportunity to meet Principal Cheung, Guidance Learning Advisor Dr. Lisa Houston, DSMCHS Counselor Sandra Munoz, and FCC Counselor Kelsey Belmontez.

*Here are some additional notes.*

**FUSD LAPTOP REQUIRED:** Many of you coming from FUSD middle schools should already have a district laptop. For those who are coming into the district, we recommend obtaining a free FUSD-issued laptop ready for the school year. You will need to bring it and a charger to school every day. If you do not have one yet or are due for a computer refresh, please call FUSD FLATS at 559-457-3939 to arrange to pick up a laptop.

**FUSD DRESS CODE ENFORCED:** Please also review our FUSD Dress Code, as some current fashions may not be appropriate school attire. If you have a problem with the district dress code, please bring it up to FUSD Constituent Services at (559) 457-3736 or [Constituent.Services@fresnounified.org](mailto:Constituent.Services@fresnounified.org).

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**DSMCHS/FCC CLASS SCHEDULE QUESTIONS:** Students will receive their class schedules the first week of school, and we will address any needs or make adjustments through August 4, the Friday. For sophomores to seniors, if you have any questions concerning college classes, please email our Design Science Counselor, Sandra Munoz, at [Sandra.Cloney@fresnounified.org](mailto:Sandra.Cloney@fresnounified.org) for a response or appointment.

**DSMCHS DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP:** There is a map enclosed that pinpoints where you can drop-off and pick-up your student. We recommend these two places, because administration will be out there for supervision. Please drive carefully and be aware of other cars pulling in and out of the spaces. Police do monitor if you park along red curbs or block staff from accessing parking spaces.

**DSMCHS PARKING:** After a two-year parking relaxation during COVID-years, Fresno City College will resume parking pass requirements. Families and students will be ticketed if they park in Staff Lot K. Therefore, we recommend that you park in Parking Lot B or any other student lot...and pay for a parking pass. For students who drive, they will have to buy their own parking pass every semester. For occasional school wide family events, there will be relaxed parking. We will notify you about those specific events.

**UPDATED COMMUNICATION CHANNELS:** We will be communicating through ParentSquare App, so please make sure your Fresno Unified Atlas has the most up-to-date information contact details. This is how FUSD will connect you to the ParentSquare app. You may also visit us on our website at <https://designscience.fresnounified.org/> . We frequently post on Instagram (@dsmchs) and Facebook (@Design Science Middle College High School) too.

If you need to get a hold of me this summer, please email me at [floridia.cheung@fresnounified.org](mailto:floridia.cheung@fresnounified.org). I promise I will email or call you back. I cannot wait to see you all!

Sincerely,

**Floridia Cheung**

Principal

*Enclosures: Bell Schedules, Design Science Calendar, FUSD Dress Code, FCC Map*