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Dear Students & Parents,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! We hope your family is having a safe and relaxing summer. The entire staff is excited and looking forward to another great year at Babylon Junior-Senior High School. We have some information that we would like to share, as we get ready for the first day of school, which is **Thursday, September 6, 2018**.

BHS has undergone many exciting new changes this summer:

Technology Updates: (Reminder) 1:1 Computing Initiative and the implementation of Microsoft 365. In an effort to have a smooth transition at our Junior Senior High School to a 1:1 instructional setting, we will begin distribution of our 7-12 student devices on the following dates and times. This will allow our 7-12 students to come to school the first day with the device charged and ready for use.

Where: Babylon Elementary School*	171 Ralph Avenue
When: August 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 2018	9am to 7pm

Bond Updates and newly transformed spaces:

- New Technology Suites –Completely modernized 21st Century Learning Labs
- Upgraded parking lot and exterior grounds
- New student lockers
- New security vestibule
- Upgraded floor tiles, ceiling tiles, LED lighting, and interior paint
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We ask you to please be flexible and understanding, and keep your eyes on the prize as we move through the bond renovations at BHS. This is an exciting time for all Panthers!

ScholarChip ID Card System:

- All Students will receive a new ScholarChip ID Card in September.
- All students will receive a BHS lanyard for their ID cards.
- Attendance Kiosks - Portable dual screen, dual sensor units will be placed at the entrances every morning. Students tap their cards upon entering the building. This automated process generates a list of late/absent students.
- The kiosk units will then be utilized for lunchtime at cafeteria entrances and tracking students in grades 10-12 who leave the building for lunch.

BHS Open House

On **Thursday, September 26th**, Babylon Junior-Senior High School will host its annual "**Back to School Night**" for parents. **7:00PM - 9:00PM**. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet teachers and learn about their plans and expectations.

SCHOOL PICTURES

Senior Photos- Wednesday, August 22nd and Tuesday, August 28th in the HS Library.

- Senior appointment postcards from Patken Photographer were sent to all the seniors. If any senior families have any questions, please call the Patken Photographer customer care department at 1(631) 595-1025 and they will be happy to answer all your questions.
- The **7th Grade photos** are scheduled for **Wednesday, August 29th**.
- **8th Grade thru 11th Grade** students will be photographed on **September 13th**.

7th Grade Orientation

- **Incoming 7th Grade** students and their parents are invited to an orientation session on **Wednesday, August 29th** at 11:00 AM in Rowe Hall.

STUDENT SCHEDULES

Student schedules will be available on eSchool Parent Portal beginning **Friday, August 24th**. Guidance counselors will be available beginning **Tuesday, August 28th**. You should download your own schedule since they will NOT be distributed except to 7th graders at the orientation.

Enclosed is information that should ease your transition back to school on Thursday, September 6th.

- A letter from the school nurse regarding health exam requirements and medical emergency form along with the Parent and Prescriber Authorization for administration of medication in school.
- Free and Reduced Lunch information and application.
- A letter from the Director of Guidance to parents of juniors and seniors regarding student information released to the US Armed Services

We would like to offer a special Welcome to our incoming 7th Grade — the **Class of 2024** — and all new students to BHS. We hope to see all parents at our Open House - "Back to School Night" on, **Wednesday, September 26th** at 7:00pm.

This mailing is the only mailing you will receive from BHS this summer. You will receive an electronic version of The Panther Press (Principal's Newsletter) in late August. We look forward to the opening of classes on **Thursday, September 6th, 2018**. Enjoy the remainder of your summer. **Go Panthers!**

Sincerely,

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Jen Mangone, Assistant Principal