"Empowering our Students to Shape the Future"

JULIAN UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear JUHSD Families,

Welcome to another exciting school year at Julian Union High School District! We look forward to welcoming our students back to campus on Wednesday, August 12, as we begin another year of learning, growth, and opportunity.

Every new school year brings fresh opportunities, and we are excited to continue building on the great things happening at JUHSD.

Whether you are joining us for the first time or returning for another year, know that you are an important part of the JUHSD family. Our commitment remains the same: to provide every student with exceptional opportunities, meaningful relationships, and the skills they need to succeed in whatever path they choose.

We are excited to welcome our new principal, Mr. Larkin, to the JUHSD family. Mr. Larkin brings a tremendous passion for education and a genuine commitment to building strong relationships with students, staff, and families. Since joining our team, he has already demonstrated the kind of leadership that puts students first, and I know you will join me in giving him a warm Julian welcome.

This year, we are also excited to welcome Mr. Brown to our staff. He will be teaching Digital Media, Video Production, and Business Marketing, giving students opportunities to explore creativity, communication, technology, and entrepreneurship while developing skills that are highly valued in today's workforce.

We are equally excited to welcome Dusty Flack to the JUHSD family. Dusty is a proud JUHSD alumnus who brings years of industry experience to our campus. As the instructor for our Small Engines and Welding programs, he will provide students with valuable hands on learning experiences while preparing them for careers in the skilled trades. We are proud to welcome one of our own back to JUHSD and look forward to the positive impact he will have on our students.

We are also excited to have Mr. Martin serving as our new ASB Advisor. Student leadership is an important part of our school culture, and I know Mr. Martin will bring enthusiasm, creativity, and new ideas as he works with our ASB students. I encourage every student to get involved and help make this a memorable school year.

Mr. Fox will also be leading our Five Star Program this year. Recognizing student success is an important part of our school culture, and Mr. Fox will help celebrate students for their hard work, positive choices, leadership, participation, and contributions to our school community. We

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believe recognizing students for doing the right things encourages continued success and creates a positive school culture where every student has the opportunity to shine.

This year, we are implementing a distraction free school day to help students stay focused, build stronger relationships, and make the most of their time at school. We understand this is a significant change for students and families, and we appreciate your partnership and support as we implement this important change. Our goal is not simply to reduce cell phone use. Our goal is to create a school environment where students are fully engaged in learning, interacting with their classmates, and participating in the many opportunities our school has to offer. We believe this change will strengthen friendships, improve learning, and help create a healthier and more connected school community.

Thank you, parents and families, for the trust you place in us each day. Your support and partnership are essential to the success of our students and our school.

We look forward to partnering with you throughout the school year as we help every student learn, grow, and succeed. Together, let's make the 2026–2027 school year our best yet.

We can't wait to see our students back on campus Wednesday, August 12, and look forward to an incredible school year together.

Go Eagles!

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