

To: San Joaquin Memorial High School Parents/Community

Date: March 7, 2023 Subject: School Updates

Dear San Joaquin Memorial Parents and Community,

I hope this letter finds you well today. We share our excitement about all of the wonderful things that have taken place with our academics, activities, faith formation, and athletics over the last 18 months. While there is plenty of work to be done, it is important I share some of the items we have accomplished and what is yet to come. As Principal, the day-to-day student experience is at the forefront of what we do. These are some of the items we have instituted and accomplished:

- Creation of our MASP (Morning/Afternoon Study Program) and AST (Afternoon Study Time) Programs
- Final Exam Exemption Policy
- Honors Diploma Pathway
- Curriculum Maps and Schoolwide Academic Standards
- New Courses (Sports Medicine P, Drama 1P, Contemporary Issues P, Ag. Leadership and Study Hall)
- Competitive Cheer

Moreover, after much deliberation and evaluation of our needs. We have focused on items that will continue to provide our student-centered environment with new programs, curriculum, and plans. The following items are very likely to be instituted for the 2023-2024 school year:

- AP Precalculus
- British Literature
- Department Unit Standards
- Technology Plan
- Professional Development Plan
- Wrestling Program

Lastly, we are excited about the new curriculum, programs, opportunities and all of the possibilities that await our students in the future. The complete 2023-2024 school calendar will be released in late Spring. However, some important dates for the 2023-2024 school year are listed below:

- Student Orientation August 16-17, 2023
- First Day of Class August 19, 2023
- Back to School Night August 31, 2023
- Fall Final Exams December 18-21, 2023
- Christmas Break December 22-January 7, 2024
- Senior Final Exams May 20-22, 2024
- Graduation May 25, 2024
- Spring Final Exams May 28-31, 2024

We are committed to providing a positive environment for our entire school community but especially for our students. These additions, initiatives, changes, and policies are designed to promote a well-rounded high school experience for all students.

Blessings.

Anthony Goston

Principal