

Dear Franklin Students & Families,

A student's 2020-21 schedule is based on the course selections from forecasting we received (including alternates), class balancing, and the requirement that all 9th - 11th grade students have full schedules. In addition, we are limited on some of the number of sections of a course that we can offer due to available staff, such as Biotechnology, which results in not being able to offer enough spots to meet the demand for the course. In these cases, students receive the alternate course. Thus, if Biotechnology fills (which it did), then students are scheduled into Biology because it will meet the same Science graduation requirement.

Below are a few important details our Administration and Counselors want to share with students and their families regarding schedule changes at Franklin.

- Priorities for Counselors at the start of the school year are:
 - Scheduling New Enrollment students;
 - Schedule corrections for wrong level class(es), i.e. scheduled for Spanish 1-2 but need Spanish 3-4;
 - Duplicate class(es);
 - Holes in the schedule.
- Schedule fixes prior to Sept. 9th will only happen for the following reasons:
 - You did not get a class that you need for graduation;
 - You are in the wrong level of a class, i.e. scheduled for Spanish 1-2 but is supposed to be in Spanish 3-4;
 - You have a hole in your schedule.
- There are no schedule fixes for the following reasons:
 - Changed your mind over the summer and want to take a different elective or core class;
 - Change to another teacher or section of class for any reason.

How to Request a Schedule Fix

During Registration and the first weeks of school, students with one of the above schedule fix needs can contact their Counselor through the Schedule Fix 2020-21 Form at tinyurl.com/FHSScheduleFix2020-2021 or directly with this [LINK](#). Counselors will prioritize requests as they come in and communicate with the student on the outcome of the request.

For students that received a schedule with a missing period, then they can expect their counselor to reach out and invite them to a one-on-one schedule fix meeting during their missing period. Please make sure your student is checking their PPS gmail account for this invite during the first few days of school.

Lastly, students will be able to access their courses starting September 1st. Beginning on September 1 students will be directed to go to the [PPS Student Portal](#), which is pps.net/student. Once on this site they will click on Canvas. Canvas houses all of their classes and is managed by their teacher.

Thanks for remaining FranklinSTRONG as we worked to finalize students' schedules on a much shortened timeline. Our staff has been hard at work in preparing to engage students in Comprehensive Distance Learning. We look forward to welcoming students this week and are eager to connect with them virtually.