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**WILSON HIGH SCHOOL**

Ayesha C. Freeman, Vice Principal

June 8, 2016

Hello incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and parent(s)/guardian(s):

We are very excited that your child will be attending Wilson High School and we look forward to meeting your student at **Freshman Orientation on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am – 1:00pm in the cafeteria.**

Beginning with the 2016-'17 school year, Wilson High School 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will be participating in the Link Crew Program. Link Crew is an organization whose sole purpose is to help freshmen feel comfortable in their new high school, setting them up for a successful 9<sup>th</sup> grade year. The transition to high school is big step for every student. We are committed to making this transition successful for every student at Wilson.

The Freshman Orientation on August 18th is designed to both welcome and support freshmen by assigning them a junior or senior Link Crew Leader as a mentor during this first year. This Link Leader is a responsible older student hand selected from a large pool of applicants. Each Link Leader has met qualifications for being a good role model and a positive leader on our campus.

Following is some information to let you know what you and your student can expect in advance of their first day of school.

- 1) On Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, you will receive a phone call from the Link Crew Leader assigned to you, personally inviting you to orientation day on August 18<sup>th</sup> and giving some details of what to expect.
- 2) Keep the invitation on the following page to remind you of the **August 18<sup>th</sup> Freshman Orientation** date and schedule.
- 3) There is no need to bring backpacks, electronics, cell phones, purses or other personal items to orientation, as the day will be quite active.
- 4) Lunch will be provided at Freshman Orientation
- 5) Because the day is active, please make sure that your child wears comfortable clothing that does not restrict movement.
- 6) Freshman Orientation is a student-only function. Sorry moms and dads.

Parents are invited to attend in the afternoon with your 9<sup>th</sup>-grader for [Freshman Registration from 1-4 pm](#). Following Freshmen Registration, stick around for the [Ice Cream Social](#) hosted by the Wilson High School administration from **4-5 pm**, and then [Freshman 101 for Parents](#) (students may attend as well) from **5-6pm**.

Please rsvp for Freshman Orientation [online](#) by June 30.

We look forward to meeting your child on August 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions about Link Crew, please call Vice Principal Ayesha Freeman at (503) 916-5135.

Thank you,

Ayesha Freeman,  
Vice Principal

Morgan McFadden,  
Link Crew Co-Coordinator  
Language Arts Teacher

Sarah LeMier,  
Link Crew Co-Coordinator  
Business/Marketing Teacher



# WELCOME to Wilson High School!!

## Invitation to Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Graders

The staff and students of Wilson High School

**Invite the class of 2020**

To our first annual Link Crew Freshman Orientation

**Date: August 18, 2016**

<b>9:00 am - 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Link Crew Freshman Orientation</b>
<b>12:30 pm – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch provided</b>
<b>1:00 pm – 4:00 pm</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration</b>
<b>4:00 pm – 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Ice Cream Social for 9<sup>th</sup> graders and Families</b>
<b>5:00 pm – 6:00 pm</b>	<b>Freshman 101 for Parents (students may attend)</b>

**Location: Wilson High School Cafeteria**

The purpose of this orientation is to make the transition from middle school to high school a positive one. Seniors and juniors will be serving as Leaders and mentors to the freshmen. Large and small group activities are designed to address students' needs and concerns in an enjoyable manner.

**Wear comfortable clothes and don't bring all your stuff...travel light! No need for electronic devices, cell phones, back packs, or purses.**

If you have any questions this summer, call Vice Principal Ayesha Freeman at: 503-916-5135.

Please rsvp online by Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at: [https://docs.google.com/a/apps4pps.net/forms/d/1MI\\_dTYyvRkXqyk8AA-SHuNM0TDsWhQYUmQEm59M9O8/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/a/apps4pps.net/forms/d/1MI_dTYyvRkXqyk8AA-SHuNM0TDsWhQYUmQEm59M9O8/viewform?c=0&w=1)