



West Contra Costa Unified School District

EL CERRITO HIGH SCHOOL

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August 8, 2020

Dear Gaucho Families,

There's no other way to say it, so **Welcome Back for the 2020-2021 school year**, which I guarantee you will be a year we never forget. Nonetheless, we are all very excited for the chance to start our new journey together into the world of Distance Learning. Our commitment to all of our families this year is to create the best learning environment for our students. In order to ensure that, please note the following dates:

- 8/12: Orientation for **grades 10-12 @ 6-7pm**; 7-8 Spanish, **FB Live (@officialchsgauchos)**
- 8/13: Orientation for grade 9 @ 6-7pm; 7-8 Spanish, **FB Live (@officialchsgauchos)**
- 8/14: 10-2pm, New student laptop p/u in staff parking lot (see page 2)
- 8/17: 1st Day of School
- 8/21: Gr 11/12 book pick up in staff parking lot (see page 3)
- 8/28: Gr 9/10 book pick up in staff parking lot (see page 3)

On Monday 8/10, schedules will be able to be viewed on PowerSchool. Please use the Schedule Change Request document (link on page 2) for any requests and please allow up to 10 days. This year, every teacher at EC will have a homeroom that meets everyday. This teacher will stay with your child for the whole year. Our goal is that Homeroom will serve as a space where our students can check-in with one consistent teacher throughout the year. Homeroom teachers will reach out to all families via phone, email, or Zoom by Friday, 8/14. Please look below on page 2 and 3 for [Student Bell Schedules](#) for this year.

We're nervous and excited as we embark on this new journey. We will all make many mistakes and learn from those instances on this journey that we're all in together. We ask that you please remember humility, patience, and compassion as we embark on the 2020-21 school year. We will work together to foster the best educational experience possible for our children. If you have not done so already, please follow us on our social media sites: Instagram: [@InstaGauchos](#), Facebook: [@officialchsgauchos](#), www.wccusd.net/ecgauchos.

Sincerely,

Patricia Crespo
Principal

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2020-2021

Orientations - Streaming on FB Live
[@officialechsgauchos](#)

10th - 12th Grade Orientation	Wed. August 12	6:00pm - 7:00pm (English) 7:00pm - 8:00pm (Spanish)
9th Grade Orientation	Thurs. August 13	6:00pm - 7:00pm (English) 7:00pm - 8:00pm (Spanish)

**El Cerrito High School
2020-21 Distance Learning Schedule**

MONDAY - THURSDAY SCHEDULE			
	Minutes	Begin	End
Block 1	55	10:00	10:55
<i>Block 1A</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>10:00</i>	<i>10:28</i>
<i>Block 1B</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>10:28</i>	<i>10:55</i>
Block 2	55	11:00	11:55
Homeroom	25	12:00	12:25
<i>Lunch</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>12:25</i>	<i>1:05</i>
Block 3	55	1:05	2:00
Block 4	55	2:05	3:00
<i>Block 1A</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>2:05</i>	<i>2:33</i>
<i>Block 1B</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>2:33</i>	<i>3:00</i>
Office Hour	55	3:05	4:00

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

	Minutes	Begin	End
Teacher Outreach	60	9:30	10:30
Homeroom	25	10:30	10:55

Homeroom is where students check-in and connect with their homeroom teacher; attendance is also taken here.

Office Hour is optional and used at your teacher's discretion; ask your teacher for specifics.

Teacher Outreach is when teachers contact students and parents/guardians individually.

Student Books & Supplies Pick Up in Staff Parking Lot

Grade	Date	Time	Alpha (Last Name)
11	Fri. 8/21	10am - 11am	A - L
11	Fri. 8/21	11am - 12pm	M - Z
12	Fri. 8/21	12pm - 1pm	A - L
12	Fri. 8/21	1pm - 2pm	M-Z
10	Fri. 8/28	10am - 11am	A - L
10	Fri. 8/28	11am - 12pm	M - Z
9	Fri. 8/28	12pm - 1pm	A - L
9	Fri. 8/28	1pm - 2pm	M-Z

Request to Change Schedule

<https://tinyurl.com/ECHSCourseChange>