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Hello Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your support this week. We are excited to start this academic year and we continue to be excited to prepare students for the challenges they will face in the future. I think we can all agree that there is a high level of expectation when you send your child to school. You expect that we will be understanding of behaviors and create a positive school culture so students can learn and enjoy school. Please know that at North Brandywine Middle School, we are trying to maintain a high level of expectations, respect and build relationships with our students.

On Monday, August 31, we opened our “virtual windows” providing students with academic and social opportunities but were met with students arriving late to class and upon entering the classroom they were displaying inappropriate behavior which disrupted the learning environment. To be transparent, I can tell you that this will not be tolerated. We completely understand students being late the first few days of school; however, the ideal of not posting on Zoom original names and displaying inappropriate behavior when entering a classroom will not be tolerated. Our CASD policy states that no student has the right to disrupt the learning environment of other students.

As the building leader, I must encourage and maintain a high level of expectations which is difficult to express virtually and therefore I am appealing to parents and guardians. We have dedicated teachers, staff, and students who are eager to learn. We want our student to be proud of their school and to speak highly of their peers.

Creating a 7th Grade Center is a great opportunity for 7th grade students to connect but the downside is that the receiving teachers do not know the students and need time to develop relationships. We acknowledge that it is difficult to identify students and can only rely on the names given. Therefore, in order to maintain a culture that is conducive to learning, please encourage your student to do the following:

- Arrive to class on time. (if available, teachers will admit students 5 minutes before class starts but not 5 minutes after the class starts. Teachers do not teach for an entire period so students can be on time for all classes.
- Follow the virtual bell schedule (attached) and not the Home Access bell schedule.
- Students who do not arrive within the first 5 minutes of class will not be admitted **unless** the teacher is aware of the student and feels comfortable letting the student in the classroom. ***Teachers will use their best judgment upon admitting students.***
- Teachers can see who is in the waiting room and will reach out to the student during office hours to find out why they were late and review what was missed during class.
- Students will need to check their school district e-mail daily.

We understand that there may be some anxiety and emotions may be running high; however, we can provide resources. Our Guidance Counselor can provide alternative strategies for students to express themselves. As we continue to move forward, we want our students to have the best experience possible given these unprecedented times.

Thank you in advance for your continued support and parental involvement.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eugenia Roberts', with a large, sweeping initial 'E'.

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