# Roslyn High School 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Essential Information Guide



# Welcome to Bulldog Country

### **Questions?**

#### When in Doubt - Stop in at the Main Office, Attendance Office, or Guidance for Answers

#### High School Administration

Dr. Scott Andrews	Principal	801-5100
Carol Murphy	Assistant Principal	801-5100
Jay Pilnick	Assistant Principal	801-5100
Christopher Roth	Dean of Students	801-5100

Locker Locations by Number – See Map at the end of this document Locker Combinations - On Parent Portal

#### Roslyn HS Student Email

First initial/Last: name2021@roslynschools.org (i.e. tsmith2021@roslynschools.org)

#### **Technology Support**

Email - <u>hssupport@roslynschools.org</u> with any technology related requests

#### Extra Help

Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday – 2:40 pm– 3:10 pm Extra Help Schedules will be posted on our school website [Some teachers do one day of extra help in the mornings]

#### **Community Service**

Contact: Mr. Pilnick

**Community Service:** Service to one's community is a rewarding experience and an important tenet of National Honor Society. Members of NHS are selected on the basis of their exceptional service to the community. Applicants must achieve:

Minimum of 40 hours by the end of Sophomore Year

- To include a minimum of 20 hours outside of school
- Examples of acceptable community service opportunities include:
  - Participation in approved non-profit charitable organizations
  - Volunteer work in Roslyn Schools
  - Volunteer tutoring in or out of school
  - Volunteer work at the library, local JCC, Hospitals, or Houses of Worship,

New On-Line System for Tracking Community Service Hours:

Email - communityservice@roslynschools.org

#### **Clubs and Activities**

Contact: Mrs. Murphy

Club Fair in the Cafeteria in October

Clubs Meet after Extra Help – 3:10 pm

Club Meeting Schedules will be posted on our school website, on posters around the building, and via morning announcements. A list of clubs with descriptions is located at the end of this guide.

#### **Roslyn High School Clubs**

Clubs are an integral part of the Roslyn High School experience. With nearly all of our students participating in after-school activities, clubs provide a meaningful extension of the school day.

Clubs enable students to explore areas in which they have a special interest, as well as to discover new activities and ideas. We encourage students to take advantage of the opportunities provided by the more than 50 clubs described on the Roslyn High School website. A list of all clubs with descriptions is located at the end of this guide.

## Test Days – Each Department has Specific Days that they give tests based on a 6 Day Schedule

#### Test/Assessment Day Schedule

Day 1: World Language, Science, Social Studies

Day 2: World Language, Math, Electives

Day 3: English, Math, Social Studies

Day 4: English, World Language, Science

Day 5: Math, Social Studies, Electives

Day 6: English, Science, Electives

#### HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULES

#### STANDARD BELL SCHEDULE

1	8:00 - 8:44	44 min.
2	8:48 - 9:29	41 min.
3	9:33 – 10:14	41 min.
4	10:18 - 10:59	41 min.
5	11:03 – 11:44	41 min.
6	11:48 – 12:29	41 min.
7	12:33 – 1:14	41 min.
8	1:18 – 1:59	41 min.
9	2:03 – 2:44	41 min.
	2:44 – 3:14	30 min. for after school help

#### **ONE- OR TWO-HOUR DELAY SCHEDULES**

<u>One-Hour Delay</u> — all bus pickups take place one hour later than the regular time. Therefore, since first period usually begins at 8:00 AM, on a one-hour delay the following schedule will be implemented:

Period 1	9:00 — 9:36	(this includes 3 minutes for homeroom)
Period 2	9:40 — 10:12	
Period 3	10:16 — 10:48	
Period 4	10:52 — 11:28	LUNCH
Period 5	11:32 — 12:08	LUNCH
Period 6	12:12 — 12:48	LUNCH
Period 7	12:52 — 1:28	LUNCH
Period 8	1:32 — 2:08	LUNCH
Period 9	2:12 — 2:44 (Regu	ılar dismissal time)

Extra Help 2:44 – 3:14

<u>**Two-Hour Delay**</u> — All bus pickups take place two hours later than the regular time. Therefore, since first period usually begins at 8:00 AM, on a two-hour delay, the following schedule will be implemented:

Period 1	10:00 — 10:28	(28 minute period)
Period 2	10:32 - 11:00	
Period 3	11:04 — 11:32	
Period 4	11:36 — 12:04	LUNCH
Period 5	12:08 — 12:36	LUNCH
Period 6	12:40 — 1:08	LUNCH
Period 7	1:12 — 1:40	LUNCH
Period 8	1:44 — 2:12	LUNCH
Period 9	2:16 — 2:44	(Regular dismissal time)
Extra Help	2:44 - 3:14	

**COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL** 

- 1. For any classroom concern, call the teacher first. In order to reach teachers through their respective departments, telephone numbers are listed below.
- 2. If, after talking to the teacher, the issue is not resolved, the next person to contact is the head of the department:

Josh Cabat	English	801-5142
Paul Rosenboom	Social Studies	801-5173
Gary Ramonetti	Science	801-5159
Michael Brostowski	Phys. Ed. and Health	801-5165
Danielle Pappas	World Languages/ENL	801-5180
Barbara Schwartz	Special Education	801-5060
Charles Windwer	Mathematics	801-5151

3. If the issue is not resolved in a timely manner, then contact an assistant principal or the Dean:

Ms. Murphy or Mr. Pilnick at 801-5100 or Mr. Roth at 801-5115

4. If you have gone through all the appropriate channels and do not feel your concerns have been addressed, then contact the building Principal:

Dr. Scott Andrews at 801-5101

#### **STUDY CENTERS**

Each academic department has its own Study Center which is designed for study, practice, and research in the subject area. These Study Centers have textbooks, research material, and other resources for student use.

Study Centers have a faculty member or a teacher assistant available for consultation several periods of the school day. The teacher assistant is also an important resource person and is trained to help students locate materials.

Each Study Center provides facilities for making up class work or for receiving extra tutorial help. Teacher preparation rooms are adjacent to the Study Centers, and students may make appointments to meet teachers at the Centers. Books and other materials may be borrowed from the Study Centers. Each Center has its own procedures, and the teacher assistant assigned to the Center will arrange the loan. These Study Centers are open for use throughout the school day, except when otherwise noted.

#### THE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC PROGRAM

#### Director of Physical Education, Health, and Athletics

Dr. Brostowski 801-5160

An extensive **Interscholastic Athletic Program** is conducted during the fall, winter, and spring seasons. Announcements are made and meetings are held prior to each season concerning sport physicals, team information, and tryouts. All candidates must have a sports physical examination before participating in an activity. In addition, eligibility for athletic competition is based on a student's strict adherence to school policies and procedures. The academic eligibility policy is in effect as of November, 1994. Please refer to the school website to check specific dates for when each season and/or sport begins and ends. Sports offered are listed according to season:

#### FALL

Badminton - Boys'	Varsity
Cheerleading	Varsity
Cross Country – Boys'	Varsity
Cross Country — Girls'	Varsity
Football — Boys'	Junior Varsity*
Golf – Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Soccer — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Soccer — Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity*
Tennis — Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Volleyball — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Volleyball – Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity

#### **WINTER**

Basketball — Boys'	Varsity, Junior Varsity, & Junior Varsity "B"
Basketball — Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Bowling — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Bowling — Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Fencing – Boys'	Varsity (w/Wheatley)
Gymnastics – Girls'	Varsity
Swimming – Boys'	Varsity (w/Port Washington)
Winter Track — Boys'	Varsity
Winter Track — Girls'	Varsity
Wrestling — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity

#### <u>Spring</u>

Badminton — Girls'	Varsity
Baseball — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Golf — Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Lacrosse — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Lacrosse – Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity*
Softball - Girls'	Varsity & Junior Varsity*
Tennis — Boys'	Varsity & Junior Varsity
Track & Field — Boys'	Varsity
Track & Field — Girls'	Varsity
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\*When numbers permit

**Vacation Policy:** Please refer to the school website for the district's policy. For the **Fall Season**, student athletes must be present at all fall season try-outs, which will begin before the school year starts. For the **Winter Season**, if we qualify for playoff games and matches, they will take place during the February recess. Varsity athletes are expected to be available for these championship contests.

#### **COUNSELING SERVICES – 801-5120**

Counseling is both a program of activities and a relationship between two individuals — the counselor and the student. Counselors provide educational and career counseling and assist students with interpersonal relationships that are central to their lives. The counselor acts as a liaison among the various components of a student's life — school and home, teacher and student, college and high school. Services provided include program planning, evaluation of school progress, personal concerns, college planning, and career exploration. These goals are realized through such activities as individual and group counseling, conferences, field trips, career and school conferences. Various multimedia materials are available in the counseling center and in the library.

Since the major concern of your counselor is your personal and academic development, and as this is related to your relationships with teachers, administrators, and parents, your counselor must necessarily be concerned with your relationships with people in the broader sphere of school and community. <u>Your counselor is your advocate, seeking to assist the school and community</u> in understanding the needs of all adolescents as well as your particular needs. At the same time, your counselor will help you to clarify the demands and expectations which your environment makes upon you. All communications are confidential.

#### **Counseling Center Contact Information**

#### **Director of Guidance**

Mr. Wasserman	801-5120	
Counselors		
Ms. Baptiste	801-5125	
Ms. Brown	801-5126	
Mr. Caruso	801-5127	
Mr. Geller	801-5130	
Ms. Messina	801-5131	
Ms. Lazzaro	801-5133	
Ms. Totillo	801-5129	
School Psychologist		
Ms. Venezia	801-5135	
School Social Worker		
Ms. McHugh	801-5134	
School Nurse		
Ms. Schroeder	801-5110	

#### School Psychologist - Counseling Center

Psychological services, available from a certified school psychologist, are provided for use by all students. The psychologist is particularly well prepared to help students deal with specific problems arising in school, with friends, or at home. Students, parents, and teachers are welcome to use the

services of the school psychologist. Mrs. Venezia is available to all students. Students may make appointments with her directly.

#### School Social Worker - Counseling Center

Our school social worker is available to help students on an individual and/or group basis with concerns such as divorce, bereavement, peer and family relationships, academic concerns, substance abuse, anxiety and stress, etc.

Ms. McHugh, the school social worker, is also involved in school-wide programs such as Peer Aids Educators, Peer Drug Educators and Challenge Day.

#### School Nurse

The school nurse manages and coordinates the school's health services program based on requirements established by school division policies, procedures, and protocols, and by local, state and national regulations and statues. The nurse maintains and operates the school Health Office to serve both students and staff throughout the school day. She provides nursing care and physical screening to students; assesses students; implements first aid measures; and contacts EMS if needed; administers daily medications; and maintains school immunization and health records. Our nurse also acts as a liaison communicating with parents, teachers and other staff as needed. This includes the development of Individual Health Care Plans and 504 Plans for students with medical needs as well as orienting the staff to student's medical conditions as appropriate.

Mrs. Schroeder, R.N. is available by email or phone for any concerns or questions that parents may have. All information is protected under HIPAA and the nurse maintains strict confidentiality at all times. The Health Office is a safe and welcoming space for students to visit with any type of physical or emotional issues that may arise throughout the school day.

#### **Roslyn High School Clubs**

#### Activities and Programs for Students

#### 2019-2020

**CLUBS** are an integral part of the Roslyn High School experience. With nearly all of our students participating in after-school activities, clubs provide a meaningful extension of the school day under the supervision of faculty advisors. Clubs enable students to explore areas in which they have a special interest, as well as to discover new activities and ideas. We encourage parents to discuss the many opportunities provided by the more than 40 clubs described in this brochure with their children and to call Assistant Principal Carol Murphy (801-5100) or their child's guidance counselor if they have any questions.

**AIDS Awareness Club** is comprised of students who wish to become educated about HIV/AIDS and to educate others about the disease and how to avoid it. We do fundraising throughout the year toward research and education about AIDS/HIV.

**Animal Rights Club** is dedicated to enriching the lives of animals in need. We seek to educate the community about the purpose and necessity of animal shelters. Field trips to elementary schools and fundraisers help us to achieve our goal.

Art Club provides opportunities for students who have an interest or aptitude in art to gain additional exposure and practical experience in art production, appreciation and presentation as well as providing service to the school.

Asian Cultural Exchange (ACE) welcomes members from all races and backgrounds who are interested in learning about new cultures and languages. Meetings will include fun cultural activities, language instruction, and planning school wide events. As a club that strives to promote intercultural and interpersonal communication, ACE strongly encourages new students in the district to join this club and form connections with other students.

Astronomy Club members explore everything from meteor showers and the planets of our solar system to black holes and supernovas through the use of the internet, videos, discussions, and a trip to the planetarium, if possible. The club has its own 10" Dobsonian telescope which can be used to look at planets and galaxies during evening observations! There is usually at least one observation scheduled for each semester.

Athletes Helping Athletes (AHA) is a peer leadership program that emphasizes positive behaviors in sports and abstinence from the use of controlled substances. They also stress the importance of education and participation in sports as well as other positive activities.

Auditorium Crew members assist with the technical aspects (sound, light, etc.) at auditorium-type events such as shows, assemblies and special programs.

Autism Awareness Club members work to raise awareness about autism. Students will become more knowledgeable about autism and work to educate others. Students raise funds and participate in events that promote autism awareness.

**CARE (Cancer Awareness, Research and Education) Club** members work to instill awareness and raise funds for health issues concerning cancer. They participate in walk-a-thons, a Cancer Benefit Fashion Show and other events.

Code Club is designed to create a community of coders at RHS by guiding each other on how to code, exploring how technology and coding are shaping the world, and participating in fun

competitions.

**Distributive Education Club of America (DECA)** encourages students to become acquainted with the business world. Students are involved in business operations, competitions, and state and national conventions. DECA also runs the High School Bookstore.

**Environment Club** offers students a means by which they can help to promote the conservation and improvement of our environment both locally and globally. The club sponsors recycling and cleanup projects and addresses current environmental issues. Trips are taken throughout the year to conduct club community service and to learn about the ecology. The club also sponsors musical events to raise funds for local and national environment groups.

Fashion Club members explore the areas of fashion design as well as learn the "how-to" of creating and making designs and projects.

**Forensics** offers an opportunity for students to compete in interscholastic speech, debate and student congress tournaments. Competitions include original oratory, extemporaneous speech, oral interpretation of literature, dramatic and humorous performance, duo interpretation and declamation, in addition to one-on-one Lincoln-Douglas debates and student congress. Students also have the opportunity to attend state, national and college tournaments.

Gay/Straight Alliance (GSA) works to create a more accepting and tolerant environment, specifically to end homophobia in the high school. The club's goal is to eliminate stereotypes and prejudices.

**Global Awareness Club** meets to discuss a variety of current events in an informal manner. Students also have the opportunity to compete with students from other schools.

**Habitat for Humanity** for Suffolk is a nonprofit housing organization. Habitat for Humanity builds simple, decent, affordable houses in partnership with those who lack adequate shelter. Students participate in fundraising activities and volunteer labor through Student Builds: "Everyone deserves to have a place they can call home."

Harbor Hill Light is the yearbook, published by the students and sponsored by the Board of Education, depicting the various sports, clubs, events and activities of the school year. Students are given the opportunity to work on photography, layout, graphics, writing, art, business and organization. The yearbook is sold during the school year and distributed in June.

**Hilltop Beacon** is the student newspaper, sponsored by the Board of Education, published throughout the year under the direction of a student staff that is supervised by a faculty advisor. The newspaper contains editorial features, interviews, columns, sports, photographs and advertising.

**JANE (The Women's Empowerment Club)** is a club dedicated to promoting and supporting gender equality. The members of the club work towards correcting the negative view of feminism, empowering women (through speakers, volunteering, and group support), providing volunteer opportunities, and eliminating gender roles within RHS and the surrounding community. JANE wishes to promote knowledge on feminism and cooperation and equality among members of all genders.

**Jewish Student Union (JSU)** is open to all students of Roslyn High School. Students are given the opportunity to explore different aspects of Jewish culture. Activities may include guest speakers, multimedia presentations and special projects. (The Roslyn Public Schools does not endorse this club but permits its activities, as required by the Federal Equal Access Act.)

**Junior Scope** is a club dedicated to raising funds for sick children hospitalized at Schneider Children's Hospital. The club's goal is to raise funds by organizing toy drives, fashion shows, bake sales and other activities in order to donate money to the hospital. In addition, club members decorate the halls of the hospital and spend time with young patients. Our motto is: "Caring is the first step in curing."

**Key Club** activities include school, community and special interest service. Members participate in fundraising activities for a variety of worthwhile charities. They also supply the support services necessary to run many of our school's activities.

**Math Team A** is open to all 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. Club members participate in the Nassau County Interscholastic Math League and the New York State Math League. There are eighteen competitions during the school year. Outside mathematicians or club members lecture the students on an unusual problem or concept or present their own papers. The purpose of the club is learning and sharing.

**Math Team B** is open to all 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. Club members participate in the Nassau County Interscholastic Math League and the New York State Math League. There are eighteen competitions during the school year. Outside mathematicians or club members lecture the students on an unusual problem or concept or present their own papers. The purpose of the club is learning and sharing.

**Medical Explorers Club** exposes students to various fields of medicine. Medical professionals speak to members about their specialties and there are visits to local hospitals. Students may also be involved in ongoing medical research projects.

**Mock Trial Team** competes in the Nassau County Mock Trial competitions in which club members act as attorneys and witnesses in mock trials argued before actual judges.

**Model Government** fosters knowledge of current events and public speaking prowess. Students draft and debate mock legislation about a range of social, economic, and political issues. Events throughout the year enable students to compete in a range of intra and interscholastic tournaments.

National Honor Society (NHS), Roslyn Chapter, is an organization dedicated to honoring excellence in scholarship, leadership, character and service. To be eligible for membership, a student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 92. The GPA, however, does not automatically entitle one to membership. Students must complete an application form, be recommended by the faculty, and be evaluated on three additional criteria: service, leadership and character, which are nationally, established criteria.

**Organization of Class Councils (OCC)** is the school's elected student government. The OCC is led by its elected officers and is comprised of the councils from each class. The OCC meets weekly to plan and implement school-wide events and respond to issues and problems. Committees meet twice a month or more often as needed.

**Principal's Advisory Council for Preventing Prejudice (PAC)** discusses and educates the youth of Roslyn on issues of racism, discrimination and tolerance. Prejudice reduction workshops and interactive drama are techniques used to convey its message to the students of our community. The Anti-Bias Task Force is an outgrowth of this group. It also addresses all forms of discrimination.

**Quiz Bowl Team** is comprised of students knowledgeable in a variety of academic and non-academic topics who take part in Quiz Bowl tournaments across Long Island. The varsity team is comprised of mainly 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders while the junior varsity team competes with other 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders.

Besides helping students hone their existing skills, the club also helps develop "buzzer skills." We encourage everyone to try out for one of the teams.

**Robotics Club** provides an environment for any students passionate and/or curious about the worlds of engineering, robotics, and programming. Even if students have minimal background in building and programming robots, they will be working alongside supportive individuals and advisors that will guide and teach them. Local and state competitions will be the culmination of our teams' hard work and dedication to each project. The opportunity for students to sharpen the necessary 21st century skills of team building, communication, critical thinking, and collaboration are an inherent quality of this club.

**Roslyn Film Society** provides students with the opportunity to study the art of film. Students watch and discuss classic films and create original films.

**Roslyn Marching Bulldogs** is a competitive marching band which performs at the N.Y.S. Championship, competitions on Long Island, as well as parades on the east coast. Anyone who is in the Roslyn band program is eligible for this exciting group. The Marching Bulldogs is a precision show of marching and music to a different theme each year. The Marching Bulldogs rehearse outside of the school day and all members are required to attend all rehearsals and events. The color guard, a group within the marching band who perform dance moves with flags, is open to anyone who can perform a brief audition after being taught a simple flag routine.

**Roslyn Shakespeare Society** provides members with an opportunity to explore the many works of William Shakespeare in a variety of ways. Society members immerse themselves in activities that include live performance, film projects, discussion of plays, and the creation of modern updates. Weekly meetings may involve performances of scenes, film viewings, Shakespeare related games, and other activities. The club will culminate each year with the organization of the annual school Shakespeare Festival in the spring.

**Royal Crown Players Drama Club (RCP)** is a theater company that performs two plays per year. In addition to offering opportunities for students to perform on stage, the organization comprises all aspects of production: set design & construction, stage management, lighting design & execution, sound engineering, makeup, props, pit orchestra, costuming, publicity, advertising sales & playbill publishing, ticket printing & sales, ushering and refreshment sales.

Royal Crown Players Stagecraft works closely with the Royal Crown Players in creating sets, executing lighting, moving scenery, gathering props, and running backstage operations.

Science National Honor Society The purpose of this organization shall be to encourage participation in and recognition of scientific and intellectual thought, to advance the students' knowledge of classical and modern science, to communicate with the scientific community, to aid the civic community with its comprehension of science, and to encourage students to participate in community service and, in turn, encourage a dedication to the pursuit of scientific knowledge that benefits all mankind.

Science Olympiad Club trains students in all grade levels in problem-solving, practical application of classroom scientific principles, and brainstorming innovative ideas in addition to rehearsing for actual team competition.

**Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)** is a chapter of a nationwide organization designed to increase awareness of the dangers of driving while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol and other destructive behaviors. Assemblies and activities are planned throughout the school year.

**Stock Market Club** offers students the opportunity to learn about the stock market by following market trends and studying about investments.

**Student Prints** is the literary magazine published each year. Students and their advisor meet weekly throughout the year to read and select literary material submitted by students for publication.

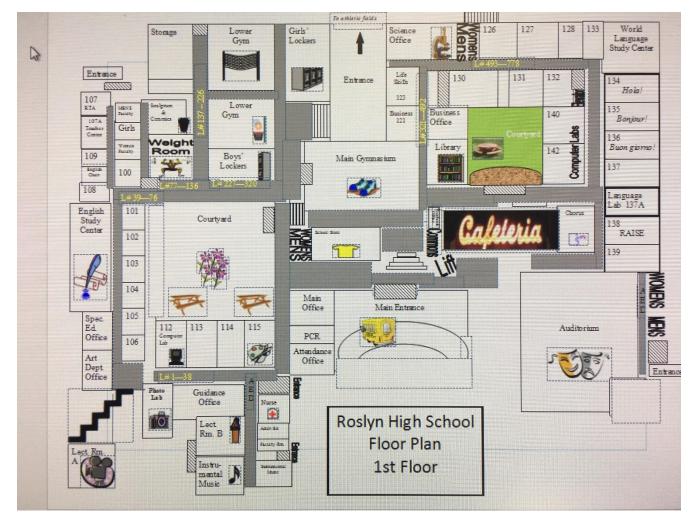
**Students for Social Responsibility (SFSR)** meet to gain information and to stimulate other students to be better informed on issues pertaining to the survival of the human race. The club is also dedicated to helping the hungry and homeless of Long Island. The group pursues its aims through lectures, debates, speakers and fundraising.

**The Exchange** is open to all students of Roslyn High School. Students meet to learn about the aspects and beliefs of Christianity. (The Roslyn Public Schools does not endorse this club but permits its activities, as required by the Federal Equal Access Act.)

**Tri-M Music Honor Society** recognizes musical achievements and encourages instrumental and vocal students to work together toward reaching their full musical potential. To be eligible for membership, students must meet nationally established criteria including academic, performance and participation requirements and be recommended by a member of the music faculty.

Volunteers for the Education of Developmentally Disabled Adults (VEDDA) are dedicated to bridging the gap between Roslyn High School students and developmentally disabled people whose social contacts are somewhat limited. The club sponsors numerous functions throughout the year, including holiday parties and Carnival Night.

World Languages Honor Society Club promotes students' facility with, and interest in, the languages and cultures of the countries in which French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish are spoken.



#### Student Locker Numbers are in YELLOW