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Hello,

We are very excited that your child will be attending Maricopa High School and we look forward to meeting your student on "Freshmen First Day". As you may know, our school participates in the nationwide Link Crew Program, an organization whose sole purpose is to help freshmen feel more comfortable as well as help them achieve success in their first year of high school.

The Link Crew freshmen orientation and transition program is designed to both welcome and support freshmen by assigning them a Link Leader as a mentor during this first year. This Link Leader is a responsible older student who was hand selected from a large pool of applicants and has met the qualifications of being a good role model and a positive leader on our campus.

Freshman first day will be Thursday, August 3, from 8:00 am – noon. Transportation will provide an abbreviated bus route (schedule included) or you can drop your student off before 8:00 am in the student parking lot.

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

- 1) You can expect to receive an automated ConnectEd call to remind you of the time and place of the events for the day.
- 2) A day or two before the orientation, your student will also receive a phone call from his or her Link Crew Leader personally inviting your student to Freshmen First Day and giving the details of where to be (**New Gym**) and what time (**8:00 a.m.**).
- 3) Your student is encouraged NOT to bring backpacks, purses or other like items as the day is quite active;
- 4) Because the day is active, please make sure that your student wears comfortable and appropriate clothing that does not restrict movement. Short skirts are not recommended.

This is a student only function so we encourage you to let your child attend on his or her own.

We look forward to your student on orientation day!

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