

From the Principal's Desk

With the opening of Skyline High School this year and the reconfiguration of the district's attendance area boundaries, the new high school will absorb approximately 325 students per year (2008-2012) from Pioneer. This will leave Pioneer's total enrollment at the end of the 2011 at approximately 1600 students.

With this in mind, we are continuing our goal of making Pioneer a more safe, secure, and orderly institution. As a result, during this downsizing time we are considering closing our campus during lunch time for all ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students.

In the past, Pioneer has held open campus lunch out of necessity. When 3000 students had the same lunch period, the school was unable to accommodate all of them. Historically, Pioneer High school has conducted as many as three lunch periods in order to maintain a safe, secure, and orderly environment.

As a starting point, next year we would like to maintain one lunch period but close campus to all ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students. Students from the class of 2010, who have already been afforded this privilege, will be able to continue to leave campus during lunch.

We have already informed the students of our intentions. We are having discussions with students from the class of 2011 for their input on possible off campus privileges when they are seniors.

We are seeking your input as well. We'd like to offer an opportunity for discussion at a Principal/Parent meeting at 7:00 p.m. on March 25 in the Little Theatre.

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Principal