

## Welcome Back

Good morning 8<sup>th</sup> graders,

The day has finally arrived. Today you begin the year as 8<sup>th</sup> graders. It is a very important year and one that I am sure you have been looking forward to. I am glad that I can be back in the classroom teaching you---doing the job that I love.

I look forward to seeing you today, whether it is in person or via zoom.

The first part of today's schedule will be slightly different from the one listed on the schedule for today. Things will be starting a little later due to the new morning procedures for those who are coming to school for in person learning. Morning assembly will begin at 9:00(you have the link for that on the class page) and zoom will begin at 9:15(the link says 9 but that is the way I had to schedule it). Log in around 9:15. You will be signed in to that link all day. The teachers are switching and not the students. Your video needs to be turned on at all times during the day except for lunch and recess. It will get turned off then but do not sign out. You will sign out at the end of the day when the class leaves for dismissal. Your audio should be muted except when you need to ask/answer questions. I will be giving you other guidelines but for now those are the main things.

If any technical problems arise, try not to panic. I hope to not panic either if there are technical issues at school. This is new for all of us—teachers and students alike.

Email me if there is a problem - [pfinnegan@hfsny.org](mailto:pfinnegan@hfsny.org)

Looking forward to a great year!

Ms. Finnegan