

Superintendent Student Roundtable

Middle School Visits - November 15, 2016

What freshman classes should you sign up for?

- Mandatory core classes; English, Math, Science, PE
- Driver's Ed (you must pass 8 classes out of 10 classes in 8th grade)
- Recommend taking a foreign language in freshman year, especially if you want to take honors or Advance Placement (AP) classes later. You need two years of foreign language to graduate.
- Electives; music, art, ...

Do you recommend taking AP Classes?

- AP Classes are college level courses. If you take the test after the course and pass then you may not need to take that course in some colleges.

Do you recommend getting involved with clubs and sports?

- YES – YES
- Motivates you to keep grades up and meet new friends

How did getting involved in extracurricular activities help you? How much time does each sport or club require?

- Better grades, friendships, public speaking, joined more things
- Can put your extracurricular on resumes and scholarships

What is Freshman Forward? How will it benefit me? Should I go to Freshman Forward?

- Yes go to it! It is 1 ½ days.
- You do team building activities and tour the school.

What are credits?

- You will need 26 credits to graduate from high school.
- You get part of a credit when you pass your class each semester.
- It is important to pass all your classes to get 26 credits to graduate.

How can I keep my grades up from the start?

- Use a planner
- Take notes in class
- Study
- Do homework and turn it in on time
- Don't procrastinate

What are some tips for time management for balancing extra curricular and schoolwork?

- Do everything as soon as you get it! Schoolwork does come first.
- Don't procrastinate!
- Use your daily planner!
- Being in extracurriculars will help you to get your work done.
- Sign up for all REMINDs the Teacher/Coaches have

- Stay on top of your work or you will get behind - ASK your teachers questions and for help.
- Stay away from excuses!! - Schoolwork is #1.

What if I can't find my way around the school? (What door do I go in?)

- Don't be afraid to ask
- First week you get a time allowance - while you are learning
- Go to Freshman Forward!

Should I go to the sporting events?

- YES - going helps you meet people and support your school

What was your biggest fear?

Where can I go to ask for help?

- Adults: Teachers, Guidance, Asst. Principal, 21st Century, your family
- Upper classmates, your teammates

What is schoolwork or homework like?

- You have more work but all teachers care and give you lots of support.
- Ask for work, help, questions...

What can I do now to prepare myself for high school?

- If you are planning to join a fall sport, look into open gym and practice schedule in summer.
- Know dress code so when you buy clothes you know what is appropriate.
- Give careful thought to about the classes you will take in the fall before January.
- Talk with your parent/family about your class choices.

What do I have to look forward to in high school?

- Sports, City Tourney, new teachers and classes, final exams, more freedom, no uniforms

What is the Student Roundtable? How do I get on it?

- It is a group of high school students from all three schools
- You can join as a freshman
- Talk to your high school guidance dean in the Fall

Other Questions/Notes: _____
