

Freshmen (Grade 9)

High School Planning Guide

- Review your four-year high school plan with your guidance counselor.
- Map out courses that should be taken to fully prepare for college.
- Begin to develop good study and work habits. Always follow teacher directions and complete assignments on time. These “work attitudes” will serve you well throughout high school and college!
- Always seek out your teacher(s) when you don’t understand the lesson, homework assignments, etc. Teachers truly appreciate students who take the initiative!!
- Work with your guidance counselor on MyRoad.com.
- Begin college and scholarship searches and participate in any age-appropriate scholarship competitions, such as essay contests.
- Begin to consider career options, identifying strong interests as well as likes and dislikes.
- Become involved in school, church, and communities activities.
- Assume a leadership position when the opportunity arises. Leadership successes will be important to future college and scholarship opportunities.
- Meet with your guidance counselor in the spring to discuss next year’s course opportunities.

Timeline

September

Start of the 1st marking period covering the first 10 weeks of school

Students receive 1st semester schedules in mail. All students are now required to take 3 credits plus 1/4 credit Physical Education each semester

Add/drop deadline for all classes - end of 2nd week of school

Freshman Assembly - The student handbook outlining policies and procedures is covered in an assembly with the principal

October

End of the 1st 5 weeks of school. Progress reports mailed to parents/guardians

Open House

November

End of the 1st 10 weeks of school. Report cards mailed to parents/guardians

December

End of the 1st 15 weeks of school. Progress reports mailed to parents/guardians

Begin working with guidance counselor on Guidance Direct college and career planning software

January

End of the 1st semester of school.

Regents exams

Students receive 2nd semester schedules in mail. All students are now required to take 3 credits plus 1/4 credit Physical Education each semester

February

20 week report cards mailed to parents/guardians

March

End of the 1st 5 weeks of the second semester. Progress reports mailed to parents/guardians

Scheduling conferences begin

April

End of the 1st 10 weeks of the second semester. Reports cards mailed to parents/guardians

May

End of the 1st 15 weeks of the second semester. Progress reports mailed to parents/guardians

Moving Up Day assembly

June

End of the second semester. Report cards mailed to parents/guardians

Regents exams

Registration for summer school

