

# Freshmen Parent Meeting

Spring 2017

## Counselors

- Ms. Wiskow: Monday – Friday
- Mrs. Kvalheim: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday Morning
- Counseling Office Secretary: Mrs. Deiss – Monday-Friday

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## Counseling Services and Location

- Counseling office located behind main office
- Class selection
- College Information
- Career Information
- Academic Questions/Concerns
- Personal/Social Concerns

## Reminders

- Parent Portal for Infinite Campus
  - Should have received a letter from the district office
  - If you are having difficulty, please contact Deb Ristow at 715 273-3900
- Student Portal for Infinite Campus
  - Username: Student ID#
  - Password: 1st initial, 2nd initial, and date of birth

## EXCEL TIME

- EXCEL- time used for homework completion, intervention, and club involvement

## GPA

- Most high schools run on a 4.0 GPA scale.
- Our high school runs on a 12.0 GPA scale (translated GPA can also be found on the student transcript).

12.0 - A+	5.0 - C
11.0 - A	6.0 - C+
10.0 - A-	4.0 - C-
9.0 - B+	3.0 - D+
8.0 - B	2.0 - D
7.0 - B-	1.0 - D-

## Graduation Requirements

Most classes are 0.5 credit, except for skinnies which are 0.25 credit.

27 total credits to graduate:

- 4 credits of English
- 3 credits of Science
- 3 credits of Math
- 3.5 credits of Social Studies
- 0.50 credit of Computer 1
- 1.50 credits of Phy Ed
- 0.50 credits of Relationship class
- 11 credits of electives
- Health “credit” earned in 8th grade. Does NOT count toward H.S. credit but does meet the graduation requirement

## Service Hours Requirement

- Current 9th grade class needs 50 service learning hours to graduate
- End of 8th grade to May of senior year
- Document as the hours happen & don't wait until the end (give to Mrs. Pechacek)
- Get involved
- Summer opportunities...
- See EHS website to sign up for notification system

## Options for Life After High School

- Military/Academies - application process starts junior year
- World of Work
- Apprenticeships - work under trained professionals. Earn a paycheck. Company pays for student to take college classes.
- Technical/Career/Community College - CVTC, WITC, DCTC, ITT Tech
- Trade schools - Beauty school, Construction, Auto Mechanic, Truck driving
- 4 year college
- UW 2 year school -freshmen/sophomore, then transfer

## What If a Student Fails a Class?

- If it is a required class, students need to re-take it even if they are the only sophomore taking a freshmen class
- Students need to take and pass all required classes to graduate (plus elective credits)
- If students fail a class, they will receive zero credit
- If students fail multiple classes, they may not have enough credits to graduate with their class

## **Summer School 2017**

- Dates: June 12th–June 30th, 2017
- Credit recovery program- using PLATO classes (computer program), or teacher directed materials
- Subjects- English, Science, Social, or Math
- Can only take & pass one class per subject area in any summer school session

## **2017-2018 Schedules**

- Students will receive their schedules for next year before summer break
- Make schedule changes before the start of school
- Only necessary schedule changes can be made the first two days of the quarter

## 10th Grade Conferencing

Winter/Spring 2018

- Individual conference with parents, student, and counselor
- High school expectations, credits, transcripts, careers, and steps for getting ready for life after high school

## ACT Aspire

- An online assessment
- Will take in Spring of 9th grade year (May 9-16)
- Will take it again Spring of 10th grade year
- ACT Aspire assesses student readiness in English, math, reading, science, and writing

March of Junior year students will take the college entrance **ACT test** (not Aspire)

- This will take place at EHS and is free of charge

## Forward Exam

- The Wisconsin Forward Exam is the state-mandated test that replaces the WKCE
- 10th Grade Social Studies
- Administered online in the Spring
- The remainder of 10th grade testing is through the ACT Aspire test (Math, Science, English, etc)

## 10th Grade Respect Retreat

- October 13, 2017
- Youth Frontiers (4th grade kindness, 6th grade courage)
- Inspires students to respect themselves more, to respect others, and to stand up for respect in school
- Zion Covenant Church