Registration Lesson @ Lightning Time

January 18, 2017

Today's Activities

- Receive Registration Form
- Think about challenging yourself
- Think about graduation requirements and career goals
- Review how to complete Form
- Learn important dates and events

Challenge Yourself!

- Pick one subject and move up to Honors, GT, or AP
- Colleges look for rigorous courses
- Honors, GT and AP course grades are weighted and can improve your GPA
 - For example, earning a B in a GT or AP class is worth 4 quality points, the same as earning an A in a regular class!
- Weighted GPA also impacts Honor Roll, honor societies, and extracurricular eligibility
- Talk to your teachers, counselor and parents/guardians about moving up
- You can do it!
- Rising sophomores consider a Career Academy and take the courses you need to complete the program

Why AP?

- Besides learning a lot and possibly earning college credit...
- Students who take at least one AP course in high school, regardless of their performance on the AP test, have higher college GPAs and higher on-time graduation rates than students who do not take AP courses.
- Students who take an AP course and score a 1 or 2 on the AP exam also have higher college GPAs and on-time graduation rates than students who did not take the exam.

When is my Form Complete?

- 7 Credits
 - Even if you are a rising senior and plan to request work release or to be an aide, <u>you must sign up for 7 academic credits</u>.
 - Work release and aiding are not scheduled until we return to school in August.
- 3 Alternates
- Teacher signatures
- Parent/guardian signature
- Your signature
- Question about a recommendation?
 - See your teacher to discuss

Grade 11 Course Options Addendum

Inadvertently omitted from the Course Selection Sheet but also available:

- Cybersecurity Computer Essentials CT-790-2
- Foundations of Healthcare Honors CT-760-2
- Foundations of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness - CT-700-1
- Geographic Information Systems and Remote Sensing CT-772-1
- Intro to Hotel and Restaurant Management Industry CT-780-2
- Animation and Interactive Media I CT-796-2

Important Dates

- Today through Jan 23
 - Take your Registration Form around to any teachers for classes you still want to take
 - Take your Registration Form home and have your parent/guardian review and sign
- Today Jan 18 Electives Expo During All Lunches!
 - Bring your Registration Form to lunch so teachers can sign them when you find a class you'd like to take
- Friday Jan 20
 - Counselors available in Atrium during all lunch shifts
- Monday Jan 23
 - Registration Form —with <u>all</u> signatures must be turned in at the start of your English class!
 - No exceptions!
- Starting Jan 30
 - Every student meeting with counselor individually during English class

Be Sure to...

- Use the online catalog it is a great resource that includes course descriptions and general graduation information http://www.hcpss.org/f/academics/hs-catalog-2017-18.pdf
- Always ask yourself how a course will help you move one step closer toward your college and career goals
- Get started <u>now</u> on your future by completing your Registration Form by Jan 23!