Rising 9th grade orientation

Monday, March 19, 2018

Home of the Longhorns

Hello! - Introductions

Principal

- Lisa Throop

Assistant Principals

- Maelea Galyon
- Herbie Adams, CTE Director

Counselors

- Priscilla Davis
- Cassidy Burks

Feel free to contact any of us at 727-2620

English = 4 credits

- English 9 (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- English 10 (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- English 11 (Regular, CP, or AP) = 1 credit
- English 12 (Regular, CP, or AP) = 1 credit

Math = 4 credits

- Algebra 1A & 1B (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- Geometry (Regular, CP, or Honors) = 1 credit
- Algebra 2 (Regular, Honors, or CP) = 1 credit
- Upper level math = 1 credit
  - Pre-Calculus
  - Calculus
  - Statistics
  - Bridge Math

Math = 4 credits

- Advanced Algebra 1 students will be required to take both Honors Geometry & Honors Algebra 2 in same year

- **STEM Math** = Students who score 19 or above on the ACT math - Stats, Pre-Cal, or Calculus

- **Bridge Math (SAILS Math)** = Students who have not earned a 19 in ACT math by the beginning of their senior year

Science = 4 credits

- Freshmen Science = 1 credit
  - Physical World Concepts (Regular or Honors)
  - Agriscience
- Biology (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Chemistry or Physics (Regular or Honors) = 1 credit
- Science Elective = 1 credit

Social Studies = 3 credits

- World History or AP Human Geography = 1 credit
- U.S. History (Regular or Dual) = 1 credit
- Government & Economics = 1 credit
  - Must pass the civics exam to graduate

Wellness, PE, & PF

- Wellness = 1 credit
  - Everyone will take Wellness freshmen year
- Physical Education = ½ credit
- Personal Finance = ½ credit
  - Everyone will take PE/PF during their sophomore year

Fine Arts & Foreign Language = 3 credits

- Fine Art = 1 credit
  - Visual Art
  - Drama
  - Band
  - Introduction to Fine Arts
  - Chorus
- Foreign Language = 2 credits
  - Spanish 1 & 2
  - Latin 1 & 2

Skinny Period

- 45 minutes per day
- Year-long class
- RTI may be the required class based on AimsWeb testing at JCMS

Six Year Plans

- Counselors will meet with students to develop a six-year plan for each rising freshmen
- This plan includes the following:
  - Course sequence for all 4 years of high school
  - Recommended electives
  - We promise to use a pencil!!!

Focus Program of Study

3 credits

Students completing a focus of study must complete 3 credits in one of the following areas:

- ★ CTE
- ★ Fine Arts
- ★ AP
- ★ Dual
- ★ Math & Science (above the required courses)

CTE Program of Study

Students must complete 3 credits in the same "Program of Study" area:

- ★ Agriculture Science
- ★ Automotive Technology
- ★ Business/Computer Technology
- ★ Culinary Arts
- ★ Construction Technology
- ★ Health Science
- ★ Criminal Justice

Advanced placement

- AP Human Geography = 9th grade
- AP World History = 10th grade
- AP Biology = 12th grade
- AP Language = 11th grade
- AP Literature = 12th grade
- AP Psychology = 11th or 12th grade

Exceptional Learners

- The courses for these students will be based on the meeting that takes place with each individual case manager/advisor.

JCHS Diploma

The Johnson County Board of Education requires a minimum of **28** credits to graduate with a Johnson County High School Diploma

Students must also take the ACT

*Work Ethic Diploma
*Community Service Diploma

"Move on"

- We use an intervention course for all failures
- PLATO web-based curriculum (very hard)
- 70 is the highest score you can obtain
- Final grade of 50 or below will be making up courses in a "sit-down" class

Testing

The following courses will have End of Course (EOC) exams which will make up 25% of the overall grade for the 2018 - 2019 school year:

- ★ English 9, English 10, English 11
- ★ Biology
- ★ Chemistry
- ★ Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry
- ★ US History

ACT®

- 11th grade ACT during school
- **Requirement to graduate**

- ACT Prep class = juniors
- After school tutoring
- actstudent.org

Presidential Academic Excellence Award

- Criteria for JCHS Seniors
  - Must score 29 ACT reading -or- 27 ACT math
  - GPA of 3.5 or higher
  - Complete a rigorous curriculum
  - Must NOT have had any of the following disciplinary actions: ESC, Out-of-school suspension, and/or Court Appearances

Valedictorian

*There will only be one valedictorian that will be declared based on:

1. Highest GPA in the graduating class
2. Highest ACT composite score

Block Scheduling

- Students take 4 classes each semester for a total of 8 classes per year in the block
  - Semester 1 = August - December
  - Semester 2 = January - May

- Block classes are 85 minutes each
- Skinny period is 45 minutes year long
  - **Total of 9 classes for the school year**

Bell Schedule

1st = 8:10 am - 9:40 am (90 minutes)
2nd = 9:45 am - 11:10 am (85 minutes)
3rd = 11:10 am - 12:55 pm (105 minutes)
1st lunch = 11:10 am - 11:35 am
2nd lunch = 11:35 am - 12:00 pm
3rd lunch = 12:00 pm - 12:25 pm
4th = 1:00 pm - 1:45 pm (45 minutes)
5th = 1:50 pm - 3:15 pm (85 minutes)

Sample Schedule for a 9th grader

Period	1st Semester	2nd Semester
1st	Elective	Physical World Concepts
2nd	Algebra 1A	Algebra 1B
3rd	English	Lifetime Wellness
4th	----------Skinny Class Period ----------	
5th	World History	Elective

Attendance

- Students can miss 4 days in each class (excused or unexcused)
- Upon missing their 5th day, they must make up their time in order to pass the class
- The can do this by staying after school, coming in before school, or attending Saturday School
- There are NO exceptions to this policy, and students need to make up their time as soon as they miss the class

Tardy Policy (per semester)

- 1st tardy = warning
- 2nd tardy = call home
- 3rd tardy or more = lunch detention for every tardy or early dismissal
- 6th tardy = full day ISS

Each teacher has their own late to class policy

Grading Scale

A = 93 - 100
B = 85 - 92
C = 75 - 84
D = 70 - 74
F = 0 - 69
I = Incomplete

*3 points are added to honors & dual classes only
**5 points are added to AP courses

Grade Clarification

For promotion to the next grade level:

Sophomore……...6 credits
Junior……...12 credits
Senior……..……20 credits
Graduate……..28 credits

TN Lottery Scholarship & TN Promise

- To qualify for the TN Lottery (HOPE) scholarship:
  - 3.0 GPA -or- 21 ACT composite
  - Complete FAFSA
- Tennessee Promise = all students are eligible
  - Sign up & attend meetings
  - Complete FAFSA
  - 8 hours community service

Registration Meetings

- Be thinking about your electives and your focus.
- Report to JCHS on DATE.
- You will be escorted over by JCHS Student Council members.
- Monday, March 26

Freshmen Kick Off

Thursday, August 2, 2018

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Lunch will be provided

Students only

Tours by Last Name

Begin in CTE	Begin in Main Building
A B	C D
E F	G H
I J	K L
M N	O P
Q R	S T
U V	W X Y Z

Thank you!

You are free to leave once your tour is complete.

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