

# Welcome Class of 2016

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Mr. Howlett  
Principal of RHS

# Guidance Services

- Sean Siet, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
  - Ms. Shadis
  - Ms. Cahill
  - Ms. Capozzi
  - Ms. Muraview
  - Ms. Riccobono
  - Ms. Sweet
  - Ms. Treanor
  - Ms. VanDerStad
  - Ms. Wu

# RHS Guidance Services

- Self-awareness, self-discovery, and self-advocacy
- Understanding the scheduling process
- “Safety net” of support services

# Who Is Here to Help You

- Building Administrators:
  - Mr. Howlett, Ms. Donlevie, Ms. Dusebout, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Thorp
- Guidance Counselors
- Student Assistance Counselor:
  - Mr. Gilliken, Ms. Hoffman
- Members of the Child Study Team:
  - Ms. Coto, Ms. Preston, Ms. Suter, Ms. Mensinger, and Ms. Jordan
- Curriculum Supervisors and the Teachers

# Before School Begins in September

- Access Schedules in August
- Freshman Orientation-August 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Conducted by administrators and guidance counselors
- Freshman Transition Project
  - Peer mentors

# Curriculum Overview

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# Middle School to High School

- **Team Approach**
  - Teachers have students in common
  - Heterogeneous groupings
  - Teachers meet daily to:
    - **Coordinate Homework**
    - **Coordinate Testing**
    - **Address student needs**
    - **Plan interdisciplinary connections**
- **Departmental Structure**
  - Teachers do not have students in common
  - Homogeneous groupings
  - Teachers meet monthly to:
    - **Plan interdisciplinary connections**
    - **Collaborate on final assessments**
    - **Common class assessments**

# Class Levels

- College Prep
  - Challenge with more guidance from teacher
  - H.W.- 15-25 mins
- Honors
  - Greater independence and larger classes
  - H.W.- 20-30 mins
- Advanced Placement
  - Primarily independent with larger classes
  - Greater breadth and depth of material
  - H.W. – 20-40 mins

# Graduation Requirements

- Four years of Language Arts
- Three years of science (Bio., Chem., Phys.)
- Three years of social studies
- Three years of mathematics
- Two years of world languages
- Four years of physical education/health
- One year of fine arts
- One year of practical arts

# Additional Graduation Requirements

- 2.5 credits of Personal Finance
  - NJ Biology Competency Test (NJBCT)\*
  - HSPA ( 11<sup>th</sup> grade)\*\*
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- \*No longer a Graduation Requirement
  - \*\*Ends in 2012-2013

# Criteria for Honors Classes

- In Math:
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Algebra I students need a final average of A or better to enroll in Honors Geometry.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade Geometry students need a final average of B or better to enroll in Honors Algebra II.

**AND**

- At the end of the year, students must also score “Proficient” or “Advanced Proficient” on the End of Course Algebra exam to enroll in Honors Geometry.

# Honors Criteria (LA,WL,Sci,SS)

- In Language Arts:

8<sup>th</sup> grade students need a final average of A- or better in **both** Literature Connections and Communication Arts to enroll in English 9 Honors.

- In Social Studies:

8<sup>th</sup> grade students need a final average of A- or better in SS 8 to enroll in Honors World History.

- In World Language:

8<sup>th</sup> grade students need a final average of A- or better in WL 8 to enroll in Intermediate First Year Honors WL.

- In Science:

8<sup>th</sup> grade students need a final average of A- or better in Science 8 to enroll in Honors Bio.

# Appeals

- Extenuating Circumstances only
- Dependent on seat availability
- Online form and notification process
- All decision are final

# A Sample Schedule

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	Math				
2	Biology				
3	Science lab	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall	Study Hall
4	Lang Arts				
5	Phys Ed				
6	Lunch				
7	World Lang				
8	Elective				
9	World History				

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# Curriculum Supervisors

- Mathematics
- Science
- Language Arts
- World Languages
- Social Studies
- Phys Ed/Health
- Fine & Practical Arts
- Special Education
- Dr. Palumbo
- Dr. Heineman
- Mr. Hunscher
- Ms. Asfendis
- Ms. Fox
- Mr. Shello
- Mr. Fackelman
- Ms. O'Connell

# Physical Education

- Four year requirement– N.J.
- Semi elective format
- Lifetime Activity, Adventure Education, Fitness, Team Sports
- Project Adventure (9<sup>th</sup> grade)
- PE Equivalency through Option II

# Special Programs

- Essential Elements of Math/LA
- Option II
- MAP
- Guidance Services

# Health Education

- Grade 9
  - Wellness, Stress, Fitness
  - Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco

## Grade 10

- Auto Safety

- Grade 11
  - First Aid and Safety
  - CPR Certification

- Grade 12
  - Family Living
  - Human Sexuality

# Scheduling Timeline

- Review Program of Studies (Guidance Homepage)
- PTO scheduling presentation- Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Meeting – Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>
- Ind. Scheduling Meetings- March 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>
- Honors Appeal deadline- June 8<sup>th</sup>
- Honors Appeal Notifications- June 29<sup>th</sup>

# Tonight's Plan: Divide and Conquer!

- Open House Phase I (7:45-8:20)
  - Green Group: follow your schedule and visit FA, Science, and, LA
  - Blue Group: Follow your schedule and visit Math, WL, SS, and PA
- Open House Phase II (8:25-9:00)
  - Green Group: follow your schedule and visit Math, WL, SS, and PA
  - Blue Group: follow your schedule and visit FA, Science, and, and LA
- Coffee/Cookies Q &A w/ supervisors ( 9-9:30)

# Room Assignments

Language Arts	Lecture A
Math	Lecture B
Science	Room 723/725/727
Social Studies	Room 726/728/730
French	Room 212
Italian	Room 210
Latin and Gen. WL	Room 212
Spanish	Room 214
Fine Arts	Room 222
Practical Arts	Room 223
Special Education	Room 721