

# FRESHMAN CONNECTION





## Important Dates: Quarter 4

No Tardy Party - March 22
Career Fair - March 30
Multicultural Festival - March 31
Band/Choir Concert - April 5
Top Ten Banquet - April 6
Schoolwide Testing (PSAT & SAT) - April 13
1/2 Day - April 14
No School - April 15 & 18
School Play - April 22 & 23
Fine Arts Night - April 26
Prom - April 30
Terrier Fest - May 13
Graduation - May 14
Last Day of School - June 2, as of now

### **Q3 Visit Recap**

Choosing classes for sophomore year & transcript review.

In February, I met with all students in English class to discuss & review their course selections for sophomore year. Students will be given an opportunity to review their selections once more, before schedules are built over the summer.

When they receive their requests to review, they will be encouraged to share their request list with parents/guardians. This will also be a time for students to double-check placement (honors, etc.) for final review. Students will receive a completed schedule in August.

Also in my English visit, students received their transcript with semester 1 information.

Students were asked to identify their total credits & cumulative GPA. Of the 150 students who completed the Class Check Point, 69% reported being satisfied with their GPA.



Let's Celebrate! We met 2 out of 3 goals! I am so proud of the freshman class!

Here is a breakdown...

#### Academics

- # of (required) classes passed has increased!
- # of (required) classes failed **decreased by 37%** in Q3, as compared to total # in November!
- Q4 Goal is to decrease the # of failed (required) classes by another 30%

#### Behavior

- Positive behavior is on the rise with the freshman class!
- Total # of behavioral referrals **decreased by 40%** in Q3, as compared to Q1/Q2 averages.
- Q4 Goal is to decrease the # of referrals by another 25%.

#### Attendance

- Class average attendance through November --- 91.8%
- Class average attendance through Q3 --- 91.0%
- Q4 Goal is... 93%

#### GPA

- Cumulative Semester 1 Class GPA is 2.73
- Current (Q3 only) GPA is 2.97, which if efforts continue Q4 should increase our cumulative GPA!
- Class GPA Goal is 3.0 for freshman year



Improve GPA: 6 Strategies

**GPA by Grade Level** 

VIDEO: It's not ALL about GPA,

A Student's Perspective

## Ways to Increase Student GPA

Why Does GPA Matter?

For high school students, grade point average is often a major focal point a barometer of their academic success GPA is a factor in college admissions, scholarship eligibility and more; it represents a student's body of academic work throughout high school beginning in their freshman year. While GPA is only part of a high school transcript, experts consider it a strong indicator of success.

-U.S. News



# HOW TO SET A SEMESTER GRADE GOAL

### #1 click here

Copy the correct "percent of sem grade" info (40 / 40 / 20)

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter		2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter		Final Exam		Semester
Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade
(%)	of Sem Grade	(%)	of Sem Grade	(%)	of Sem Grade	(%)
	40		40		20	

#3

Type in student's Q3 percentage grade

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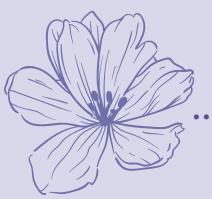
Plug in a realistic Q4 percentage grade goal



Plug in a realistic semester exam grade goal



Leave blank & click
"Calculate my
semester grade to
see what you would
earn for S2



### Introducing SCOIR: click here

College & Career Platform for CCHS Students



Freshman have been encouraged to log in to SCOIR.

Throughout sophomore year, students will complete YouScience, which is a tool to discover the science of you - how your mind is wired, what makes you tick, the skills & knowledge that sets you apart. Linking you with a path that's right for you.