

Coffee with the Counselors

Friday, November 10th

Topics

- Communicating with Teachers
- Tutoring
- What to Do if Your Child is Struggling
- Attendance
- CROP
- Semester Exam Schedule
- What's Coming Up
- Updated Website & Resources

Communicating with Teachers

- Email (phone and Skyward messages are often not reliable)
- Please allow approximately 48 hours for teacher to respond
- If no response or question is not answered feel free to reach out to the administrator over each subject area
- Teachers are the best resource for information regarding classroom assignments, grades, classroom behaviors, etc.

Tutoring

Most teachers have their own tutoring after or before school. Students should check with their teachers about when they can come to receive extra help.

Student led math tutoring is available every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday in room 8-226 from 2:30 – 3:00.

Spanish tutoring is available almost every day (check with teacher for times and locations)

Students are encouraged to speak to their teachers if they feel they need extra help.

What to Do if Your Child is Struggling

How You Can Help

- Contact your child's teachers
- Develop and implement a homework/studying routine
- Use available resources (i.e. Khan Academy)
- Check Ecampus & Skyward regularly
- Encourage, Support, and Motivate
- Help set and reinforce realistic goals
- Celebrate improvements and achievements

Most Common 'Struggles'

- Not turning in homework or turning it in late
- Not studying for tests
- Attendance
- No clear use of planner or organization
- Shutting down
- Fear of 'failure'
- Apathy

Attendance

If a student is 10 minutes late to school each day, this adds up to missing more than 33 hours of class time. A student with a 90 percent attendance average for Kindergarten through 12th grade will miss over a year of accumulated time in the classroom.

Attendance Continued

- Students may have 10 unexcused absences. More than 10 and a student may lose credit for that period, regardless of the grade earned.
- Arriving to class more than 5 minutes late constitutes an absence
- Students must provide documentation within 5 days of return to campus to excuse an absence
- If students have more than 10 unexcused absences they may attend make up time beginning next semester (dates to come). They should see their counselor for more information in January.

CROP (copies on table)

- Student has more than 10 absences in a course (from previous school years).
- Student passed the course with a 'D' or higher.
 - If the student earned a 'D' it may be better for them to re-take the course as it will positively impact the GPA.
- If student has lost credit in just one (1) class, regardless of the number of absences, the student needs to attend only one (1) session.
- If student has lost credit in multiple classes they must attend two (2) CROPS sessions.
- Students should bring a copy of their transcript showing the missing credit when they come to each session.

Semester Exam Schedule (copies on table)

Monday	December 18 th	7 th Period	Regular Release
Tuesday	December 19 th	1 st Period & 4 th Period	Early Release
Wednesday	December 20 th	2 nd Period & 5 th Period	Early Release
Thursday	December 21 st	3 rd Period & 6 th Period	Early Release

If a student must miss an exam for any reason it is their responsibility to communicate with the teacher about making it up. A grade of 'incomplete' may appear until the student completes the exam and a grade is submitted. Please speak with the teacher immediately if you believe your child will miss a scheduled exam.

What's Coming Up?

November 11th 8:30am – 12:30am Media Center
Final CROP session for the 1st semester

November 13th – 15th
Finishing Junior Credit Checks

November 16th at 6:00pm Media Center
Financial Aid Lab Night

January 25th 6:00pm Community Room & Media Center
PSAT Score Review and AP Potential Night

Late January
Begin Registration for 2018/2019

Dual Enrollment

There are two types of dual enrollment; career and academic.

Career: Pharmacy Tech, Criminal Justice and Business

Academic: any academic course needed for high school graduation

Starts with an application.

Updated Website & Resources

We have a new, and improved, Guidance Webpage! Feel free to check it out. The link is provided.

<http://www.lakebrantley.com/Guidance.aspx>

Other Great Resources:

www.lakebrantley.com

www.collegeboard.org

www.actstudent.org