

Coffee with the Counselors

1/11/22

Welcome Back!



Agenda:

-Welcome & Introductions

-Mr. Sillitoe & Ms. Thole

City of Altamonte Wastewater Management Program Spotlight

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-Advanced Placement vs. Dual Enrollment Information

-Transfer Options for LBHS

-2022/2023 School Year Course Registration Process

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Welcome & Introductions

*Mr. Blasewitz - Principal

*Mrs. Pamela Boodram - Lead Counselor

*Mr. Sillitoe - Project H2O Wastewater Course

2nd Semester Focus (Catching Up):

If your child failed a core class (English/Math/ Science/Social Studies) speak with your child's counselor about the options to make up the course. You can choose between:

-Virtual School (Apply online at www.flvs.net):

Students can start 1st semester retakes now, or wait till Summer.

-Summer School (Applications come out around Spring Break):

Summer School operates during the month of June, Monday through Thursday.

Typical hours are close to a regular school day.

No transportation is provided for Summer School.

*If your child failed an elective (World Language, Art, PE, etc) and they want to re-do it to improve their GPA, the only option is to use Virtual School. Summer School can only repair core academic classes, and only standard level is offered.

2nd Semester Focus (Moving Forward):

Current 12th Graders:

- Finish strong! Semester 2 classes/grades still count!
- Seniors taking virtual classes need to plan to have those courses completed by 5/1 so counselors have time to get them verified.
- If you haven't come up with a plan for after graduation there is still time to investigate awesome opportunities out there.
- If you have a plan, start paying attention to financial aid, school deadlines, and make sure you are checking for emails from school/programs.

Current 11th Graders:

- Do your current efforts match your plan for after high school?
- Are you on-track to graduate? If not, see your counselor to make a plan to get caught up.
- What are you doing today that is going to help you tomorrow? (Example: Service hours, SAT/ACT prep, extra curriculars)

2nd Semester Focus (Moving Forward Continued):

Current 9th & 10th Graders:

- Registration for next year is coming up in February. Start thinking about which electives you might be interested in.
- It's never too early to start thinking about life after graduation. And no, that doesn't only mean 4 year colleges.
- Investigate opportunities available to help set you apart from others in a positive way.

Soon-to-be 9th Graders:

- Start reviewing LBHS programs that you might be interested in.
- If you are in high school classes now, those grades matter. Do your very best!
- Plan to attend Patriot Preview February 10th to see all of the clubs, activities, programs, and courses available to you starting next year.
- Monitor the LBHS website for announcements about tryouts, sign ups, and other important information before Summer break.

Advanced Placement vs. Dual Enrollment

Advanced Placement (AP):

College level courses taught by LBHS teachers on campus.

End of year exam.

Can exempt students from intro level college courses.

Score is equal worldwide (A 5 in Japan is the same as a 5 in the US).

Open to any student, including 9th graders.

Dual Enrollment:

College courses taught by college professors on the college campus.

Requires student to have a high school GPA and other requirements. [D.E. INFO](#)

Officially starts a student's college transcript and can impact financial aid.

LBHS does not provide transportation for Dual Enrollment students to SSC.

These are college courses, which means parents and counselors do not have the ability to intervene regarding grades, attendance, etc.

*It is critical that students review how AP or DE courses may impact university admissions. Each school is different.

LBHS Transfer Program Options

*Academy of Finance (Accounting)

*Academy of Creative Design & Entertainment

3D Animation / Digital Photography / Digital Audio Production / Interior Design / Digital Design

*Open Access Enrollment

Look for more information about availability and application process in March.

If your child is NOT zoned for LBHS, but your family would like to utilize one of the above listed transfer options please visit:

<https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/district/departments/assignment-access/>

2022/2023 Course Registration Process

Currently: Student grades/course placement for CORE academic classes are being reviewed by teachers and counselors. Students will be placed in to these courses based on current year data. *There will be an opportunity for students to review this information.

Feb/March: School Counselors will meet with 9th & 10th grade students individually. Students will get information about their current academic standing and will pick their elective courses for next year. 11th graders met with counselors in November.

April/May: Administration will develop master schedule for next school year. The master schedule is based on needs of students and course selections made in the Spring. It is very important that students select courses they truly intend to take so we can be sure course availability matches student needs.

*Students will have the opportunity to request changes to their selections throughout the semester.

Upcoming Dates & Events

1/21 - 10th grade visits through World History

1/31 - Course Registration Meetings Begin (Counselor availability may be impacted during this time)

2/1 - Transfer Application Period Opens

2/10 - Patriot Preview

3/2 - SAT School Day (Juniors)

3/14 - 3/18 - Spring Break (Campus Closed)

3/29 - ACT School Day (Juniors)

4/1 - Transfer Application Period Closes (*4/15 is tentative date for notifications)

4/5 - College Night