JUNIOR PARENT MEETING March 11, 2020 CLASS OF 2021

Welcome and thank you for attending.

ACT

• All juniors will take the ACT on March 17 at school. This is a college readiness exam. The composite score is for admissions/TOPS, Math and English scores are for placement. TOPS scores are changing. Scores are used for admission into Dual Enrollment classes and the STEPS programs at MSU/Sowela. Students should send their scores to at least MSU, Sowela and LOSFA. Please look at the handout for tips on preparing for March 17. This is the first year for Super Scores. Students must take a full test then they can schedule subject tests to be used to re-calculate their composite. The individual tests used for super score are taken online at a testing center. As more information is available, it will be sent out to students.

Scheduling for Senior year

- Meeting with students in April Class meetings and individual scheduling meetings.
 Course requests will come home on gold paper. Requests on one side and their IGP on the other. Review the plan to make sure they are meeting graduation requirements.
 JumpStart/University
- Request classes that you will take
- Check name spelling and we will check SS#'s in August.
- 4 classes is considered full time for LHSAA and any other benefits the student may be receiving.
- Students will receive a request list in May for a chance to make changes. After 5 days of school there will be no changes.
- Students interested in Dual Enrollment must meet the requirements by August. Paper applications and online applications must be complete. Handout.
- Contact info for dual enrollment:

Sabra Soileau 337-562-4085 sabra.soileau@cpsb.org

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 Registration for 2020-2021 will be online. Fees, address verification and AUP can be done online this summer. More information will be sent out in May. Senior year and beyond

- REMIND for class of 2021 will be created before school ends. This is how I will send out
 important information to the whole class and to individuals. Also, I can be messaged
 back in this app.
- Start visiting College Campuses. Check the admissions page for the school you are interested in for admissions requirements and preview days. Sowela will be here at lowa High on April 24 Parents are invited: 8:30-11am
- On the graduation requirements handout there are some helpful websites for Career Planning.
- There is required paperwork that we must have for transcripts to be sent to LDOE.
 Release of information or consent and FAFSA waiver. Every student is encouraged to apply for federal student aid. The waiver is a safety net in case FAFSA is not completed.
 This year students that did not meet the College Readiness score on the ACT had to sign a waiver for remediation. ACT 250
- So...The FAFSA will open in October for the class of 2021. You will be applying for the 21-22 school year using your prior year taxes. The FAFSA is also the TOPS/TOPS Tech application. TOPS GPA's are changing for the Class of 2021. https://mylosfa.la.gov/
- Different GPA's: TOPS GPA- 19 Core classes, Cumulative GPA, 5.0 GPA
- By December, you should have the FAFSA completed and students applied to postsecondary schools. By DECEMBER 2020! Most Priority Deadlines for merit scholarships are December.
- Individual/local scholarship opportunities are sent via remind and copies kept in the counselor's office for students to pick up. Students should come by to check
- www.fastweb.com
- www.act.org

lorna.albers@cpsb.org return July 23 217-4380 5521 Tentative Summer Work Schedule: until June 10 and

HONOR GRADUATE POLICY

The Honors GPA calculation is based on the 5.0 GPA.

A. Honors GPA Positions

1. Summa Cum Laude

3.90-4.00+ G. P. A.

Magna Cum Laude

3.70-3.89 G. P. A.

3. Cum Laude

3.50-3.69 G. P. A.

B. Graduation Index Requirements

Students must earn at least 110 points in the graduation index/strength of diploma.

160	HS Diploma plus Associate's Degree
150	HS Diploma plus
	(a) AP* score of 3 or higher, IB* Score of 4 or higher, or CLEP* score of 50 or higher OR
	(b) Advanced statewide Jump Start credential
	Students achieving both (a) and (b) will generate 160 points.
110	HS Diploma plus
	 (a) At least one passing course grade for TOPS core curriculum credit of the following type: AP*, college credit, dual enrollment, or IB* OR
	(b) Basic statewide Jump Start credential
	Students achieving both (a) and (b) will generate 115 points.
	Students must take the AP*/1B* exam and pass the course to earn 110 points.
100	Four-year graduate (includes Career Diploma student with a regional Jump Start credential)