

Welcome To Finley!

6th Grade

Guidance Night

Thursday, January 19, 2023



AGENDA

- INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME
- TOPICS DISCUSSED:
 - STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES
 - GRADES 7 & 8 UNITS OF STUDY
 - HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL COURSE OFFERINGS
 - SCHEDULING PROCESS FOR GRADE 6
 - ROLE OF THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR
 - PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE
- Q & A SESSION

INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME

- ADMINISTRATORS
 - TRACI ROETHEL (PRINCIPAL)
 - KENNETH PARHAM (ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL)
 - JEANNETTE ALOMIA (DIRECTOR OF GUIDANCE)
- DEAN
 - LAUREN BISCARDI
- SCHOOL COUNSELORS
 - RUTH ESCOBAR
 - ALISON LOGAN
 - PALOMA RAMLOGAN

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

- SCHOOL COUNSELORS
 - PALOMA RAMLOGAN (LAST NAMES A-B AND SPANISH SPEAKING HOUSEHOLDS)
 - ALISON LOGAN (LAST NAMES C-Z)
- SOCIAL WORKERS
 - KATHRYN COSTA
 - MARY GUZMAN-LEWIS (BI-LINGUAL)
- SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS
 - MARY DIBENEDETTO
 - JASMINA NAKEVSKA (BI-LINGUAL)
 - ANDREA BECKER

NYS MIDDLE SCHOOL UNITS OF STUDY GRADES 7 & 8

- ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS - TWO UNITS OF STUDY
- SOCIAL STUDIES - TWO UNITS OF STUDY
- SCIENCE - TWO UNITS OF STUDY
- MATHEMATICS - TWO AND A HALF UNITS OF STUDY
- TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION/COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION - ONE AND A QUARTER UNITS OF STUDY
- FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE - THREE QUARTERS OF A UNIT OF STUDY
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION - TWO UNITS OF STUDY
- HEALTH - ONE HALF UNIT OF STUDY
- THE ARTS - ONE HALF UNIT IN VISUAL ARTS AND ONE HALF UNIT IN MUSIC
- WORLD LANGUAGES - TWO UNITS OF STUDY

HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL COURSES

- AT J.T. FINLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL, WE OFFER HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL COURSES IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS IN 8TH GRADE:

- SCIENCE (EARTH SCIENCE)
- ART (STUDIO IN ART)
- ALGEBRA 1 (ALL STUDENTS)
- WORLD LANGUAGE

STUDENTS CAN EARN UP TO FOUR HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CREDITS

SCHEDULING PROCESS FOR GRADE 6

- **JANUARY** - INFORMATION WILL BE GATHERED BY THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR, MS. ESCOBAR, REGARDING WORLD LANGUAGE SELECTIONS. MUSIC CLASS SELECTIONS WILL BE BASED ON THE STUDENT'S 6TH GRADE COURSE PLACEMENT. MS. ESCOBAR WILL MEET WITH STUDENTS TO REVIEW 7TH GRADE COURSES AND LIFE AT FINLEY
- **FEBRUARY/MARCH** - COURSE PLACEMENTS FOR GRADE 7 WILL BE ENTERED INTO OUR STUDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ESCHOOL) SO THAT STAFFING DECISIONS CAN BEGIN
- **AUGUST** - FINAL DETERMINATION WILL BE MADE REGARDING COURSE PLACEMENTS AND SCHEDULES WILL BE POSTED ON PARENT PORTALS

ROLE OF THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR

- ASSIST STUDENTS:
 - SET S.M.A.R.T. GOALS (I.E., SPECIFIC- MEASURABLE- ATTAINABLE- RELEVANT-TIME-BOUND) AND DEVELOP AN ACTION PLAN TO MEET THOSE GOALS
 - RECOGNIZE AND UTILIZE ACADEMIC STRENGTHS SO THEY CAN MAKE EFFECTIVE DECISIONS
 - EXPLORE INTERESTS AND ABILITIES. RESEARCH CAREERS AND COLLEGES
 - ENHANCE INDEPENDENCE AND RESPONSIBILITY
 - ADDRESS SOCIAL EMOTIONAL AND RELATIONSHIP CONCERNS

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

(COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS)

- STUDENTS REGISTERED IN HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL COURSES EARN CREDITS TOWARDS THEIR DIPLOMA. COURSES ARE ALSO LISTED ON THE HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT.
- DUAL LANGUAGE STUDENTS CONTINUE IN THEIR LANGUAGE THROUGHOUT HIGH SCHOOL. COURSE FINAL GRADE AND CREDIT FROM GRADE 6 AS WELL AS THE CHECKPOINT B EXAM GRADE WILL APPEAR ON THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT.
- CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAMS ARE PROVIDED IN GRADE 7 THROUGH OUR NAVIANCE PLATFORM.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

THANK YOU FOR COMING!