FRESHMEN NEWS

Monthly Email Newsletter- September 2019



IMPORTANT DATES

Sep 20 No School (Professional Development)

Oct 7-10 Student Led conference

Oct 18- No School (Professional Development)



FRESHMEN OVERNIGHTER

Here are some snap shots of students on the Freshmen overnighter. We hope that all students had an enjoyable experience and made memories that will last a lifetime.













COUNSELOR'S CORNER



Welcome Class of 2023! We are happy to have you a part of the DV Design family! 9th grade sets the stage and is the foundation of your high school career- start off strong and aim for As and Bs! 9th grade grades do matter, so try your best! Don't forget to ask questions and advocate for yourself, and see your counselor is you need any help! Stop by for anything academic, college/career and or socio-emotional related!



TINA HANNOUCHE PHYSICS

Welcome to 9th Grade! I am so impressed with how the students have done so far. There have been great questions asked and lots of participation in class. We have started our study of physics with measurements and conversions. Their first project is an Infographic project in collaboration with the Integrated Math 1 class which was due on Friday, Sept 6. All assignments are posted on Google Classroom so please check the page regularly for homework assignments and classwork. The table of contents page is a great resource for students who are absent to find their missing work. In addition, if a student is absent, they need to come to office hours to make up any of their work as well.

CARIE MACONOCHIE DESIGN FOUNDATIONS

The year has started off so strong. We've been covering Elements and Principles of Design through some creative student drawings. Please make sure students have a sketchbook that is 7 inches or larger. We will be using it every Art class. I recommend flipping through your student's sketchbook to check out what we are working on. All assignments will be turned in and graded on Google Classroom. Our first project will be an individual hexagon painting and collage to communicate a social issue students feel passionate about. It will make for a really cool connected and powerful display.





IVAN VILLANUEVA SPANISH 1

Hola! September is an important month in Spanish class as it is the beginning of Hispanic Heritage Month. During this month, we will be learning all about the history of Hispanic Heritage Month, why it is celebrated, and how it's celebrated across Latin America and parts of the American Southwest. Students will learn a little bit about Latin American geography, as well as review important cultural holidays/dates. We will also be starting to research for our big Fall Exhibition Project. We will be looking at the current issue of the refugee crisis, as it pertains to young adolescents. By learning about the differences between migrants, immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers, students will gain a deeper understanding of the current crisis, as well as prepare them for their overall project in other classes.

DR. MELINDA LOVE INTEGRATED MATH 1

Greetings! The first unit to be coverd in our class is functions. We will be reviewing some of the basics of graphing and solving equations before we jump into solving systems of equations and looking at multiple equations at once. If you were unable to attend back to school night please refer to the "Back to School Night" presentation on your student's google classroom account. The presentation has information on how your child will be graded in class and overviews what my general expectations are. If you are looking for ways to stay on top of your students daily progress in math class, you can check your student's notebook often to see what we are learning and to monitor the completion of their homework. Finally, thank you to any families that donated matierials for the classroom; It is greatly appriciated.



ENGLISH AND COMPOSITION

In English this month students have been writing mini-narratives based on the Humans of New York book. Students are learning how to peer review, revise, edit, and generally getting familiar with the design process in English. Our next project will have students reading books in small groups--please help your student acquire the book by borrowing or buying! This will lead us into our major inter-disciplinary project which kicks off in English and Spanish.

