

Freshman Guidance

2012-2013 School Year

Agenda

Power Point will be posted on
mycentennialcounseling.com
website.



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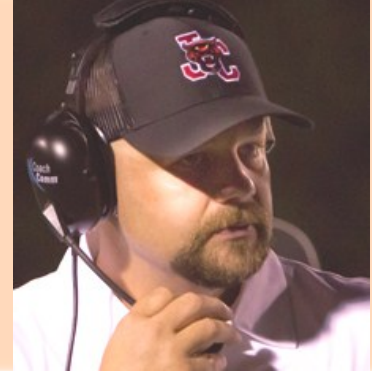


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CHS Counseling Curriculum

9th Grade

- Counseling Services; Goal Setting
- Academic Success Skills
- 4 Year Academic Plan
- Signs of Suicide
- Fall and Spring Parent Nights

10th Grade

- Career Exploration; Online Resources
- Cyber-Safety
- Spring Parent Night

11th Grade

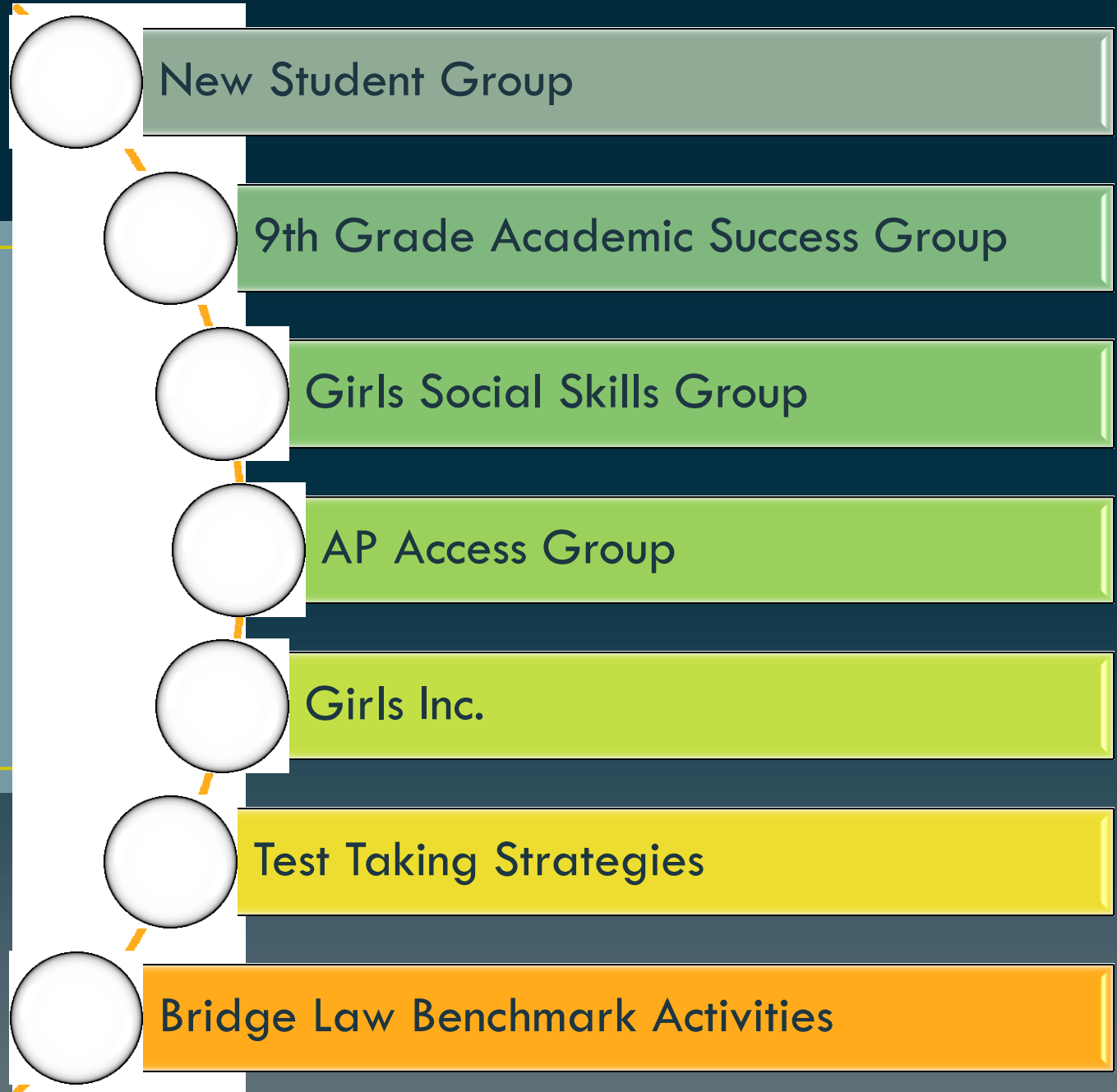
- College Admissions Criteria
- College Search Process
- Junior Advisement
- Fall Parent Night

12th Grade

- College Application Process
- Georgia Apply to College Day
- Fall Parent Night
- Financial Aid Night

Student Support Programs

Grades 9 - 12



Counseling Program Resources

Counseling Website

www.mycentennialcounseling.com

College Representative Visits

Scholarship Information Blasts

Credit Recovery Options

Parent Nights

SAT/ACT Test-Prep Opportunities

Consultations & Collaboration

Earning Credits

Students earn credit for a course by earning a passing grade (70 or higher) in the course.

Grading Scale:

- A = 90 or higher
- B = 80-89
- C = 70-79
- F = 69 or below

Final Exams and End-of-Course Tests

EOCT courses:

- Biology*
 - Physical Science
 - 9th Lit/Comp*
 - 11th Lit/Comp
 - CCGPS Coord. Algebra*
 - GPS Geometry
 - US History
 - Economics
- The EOCT is weighted at 20% of a student's final course grade (S2)
 - Most teachers will weight the S1 final the same as the EOCT
 - 9th grade courses are marked with an *
 - Final exams are given in all other courses

Calculating GPA

To calculate Fulton County GPA:

- By Semester
 - Add final course grades for semester
 - Divide by total courses taken
- Cumulative GPA
 - Add final grades for each course
 - Divide by total number of courses taken

HOPE GPA:

- Determined annually by the GA Student Finance Commission
- Visit GACollege411.org for details

General Grading Policies

- Progress reports will be issued to students every 6 weeks
- The first 6-week progress report was sent home on Thursday, September 27, 2012
- Report cards are issued at the end of S1 and S2; these final grades are reflected on the high school transcript
- Each semester of the same course is independent of the other; S1 and S2 course grades are NOT averaged
- Honors and AP courses receive an additional 7 points added to the final passing grade

How many credits do you need to graduate?

English: 4 Credits



Math: 4 Credits



Science: 4 Credits



Social Studies: 3 Credits



Gen. Health: .5 Credit



Personal Fitness: .5 Credit



CTAE and/or World Language* and/or

Fine Arts: 3 Credits**



Electives: 4 Credits



* Students planning to attend a University System of Georgia college/university or any out of state 4 year college/university directly after high school must take 2 credits of the same world language to meet admission requirements.

** 3 Credits must fulfill requirements of a pathway as determined by the FCBOE

Total Credits Required to Graduate: 23



If you do not pass a class, you do not earn the credit.

Each semester grade = .5 credit



Passing both semesters of a class = 1 credit





Counting Credits



~How to keep track of the credits you earn~



1 Credit = 


















1/2 Credit (.5) =  or 

3 Credits are possible each semester



6 Credits are possible each year



Fall Semester (S1)		Spring Semester (S2)		Total Credits Earned	
9th Grade Lit:	85 =  (.5)	9th Grade Lit:	85 =  (.5)	9th Grade Lit:	(1) 
Math:	68 =	Math:	71 =  (.5)	Math:	(.5) 
Biology:	62 =	Biology:	69 =	Biology:	(0)
Amer. Gov't:	92 =  (.5)	Gen. Health:	92 =  (.5)	Amer. Gov't:	(.5) 
Elective:	96 =  (.5)	Elective:	96 =  (.5)	Gen. Health:	(.5) 
Elective:	74 =  (.5)	Elective:	74 =  (.5)	Elective:	(1) 
Total Credits Earned Fall Semester: 2.0 Credits 		Total Credits Earned Spring Semester: 2.5 Credits 		Total Credits Earned for the Year: 4.5 Credits 	

Credits not earned (must be taken again)

Math: .5 Credit 
(1 semester)

Biology: 1 Credit 
(2 semesters)

Crs ID	Course Title	Grd	Credit	Crs ID	Course Title	Grd	Credit	Crs ID	Course Title	Grd	Credit
Centennial High School Grd 09 12/2009 Term: S1 Roswell, GA 23.0610000				Centennial High School Grd 09 12/2010 Term: S1 Roswell, GA 23.0620000				Centennial High School Grd 10 12/2011 Term: S1 Roswell, GA 23.0510000			
	9th Lit/Comp	70	0.500		10th Lit/Comp	77	0.500		11th Am Lit/Comp	67	0.000
45.0570005	Amer Govt/Civics	67	0.000	23.3610006	ENC 9th Lit/Comp	78	0.500	40.0640000	Earth Systems	74	0.500
26.0120000	Biology	81	0.500	61.0110000	German 1	92	0.500	61.0120040	German 2 H	84	0.500
27.0810000	Integrated Adv Alg	58	0.000	27.1440000	Integ Adv Alg Sup	88	0.500	27.0622000	GPS Geometry	73	0.500
50.4211001	Intro To Art	86	0.500	27.0810000	Integrated Adv Alg	81	0.500	27.0420000	GPS Geometry Support	93	0.500
27.1440000	Math Support 1	75	0.500	40.0110000	Phys Sci	73	0.500	45.0810000	US History	71	0.500
Crd Att: 3.000 Cmp: 2.000 Numeric Avg: 72.833				45.0830000	World History	78	0.500	Crd Att: 3.000 Cmp: 2.500 Numeric Avg: 77.000			
Centennial High School Grd 09 5/2010 Term: S2 Roswell, GA 23.0610000				Crd Att: 3.500 Cmp: 3.500 Numeric Avg: 81.000				Centennial High School Grd 10 5/2012 Term: S2 Roswell, GA 23.0510000			
	9th Lit/Comp	67	0.000	Centennial High School Grd 09 5/2011 Term: S2 Roswell, GA 23.0620000					11th Am Lit/Comp	70	0.500
26.0120000	Biology	76	0.500	45.3570006	10th Lit/Comp	62	0.000	40.0640000	Earth Systems	80	0.500
17.0110001	General Health	71	0.500	61.0110000	ENC Am/Govt/Civics	73	0.500	61.0120040	German 2 H	89	0.500
27.0810000	Integrated Adv Alg	53	0.000	27.1440000	German 1	88	0.500	27.0622000	GPS Geometry	61	0.000
27.1440000	Math Support 1	78	0.500	27.0810000	Integ Adv Alg Sup	83	0.500	27.0420000	GPS Geometry Support	82	0.500
36.0510001	Personal Fitness	82	0.500	40.0110000	Integrated Adv Alg	76	0.500	45.0810000	US History	71	0.500
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				40.0110000	World History	70	0.500	Centennial High School Grd 10 6/2012 Term: R1 Roswell, GA 23.0510001			
				Crd Att: 3.500 Cmp: 2.500 Numeric Avg: 73.857					11th Am Lit/Comp	85	0.500
								27.0622002	GPS Geometry	74	0.500
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Zeroes: The Wrecking Ball of Grades!



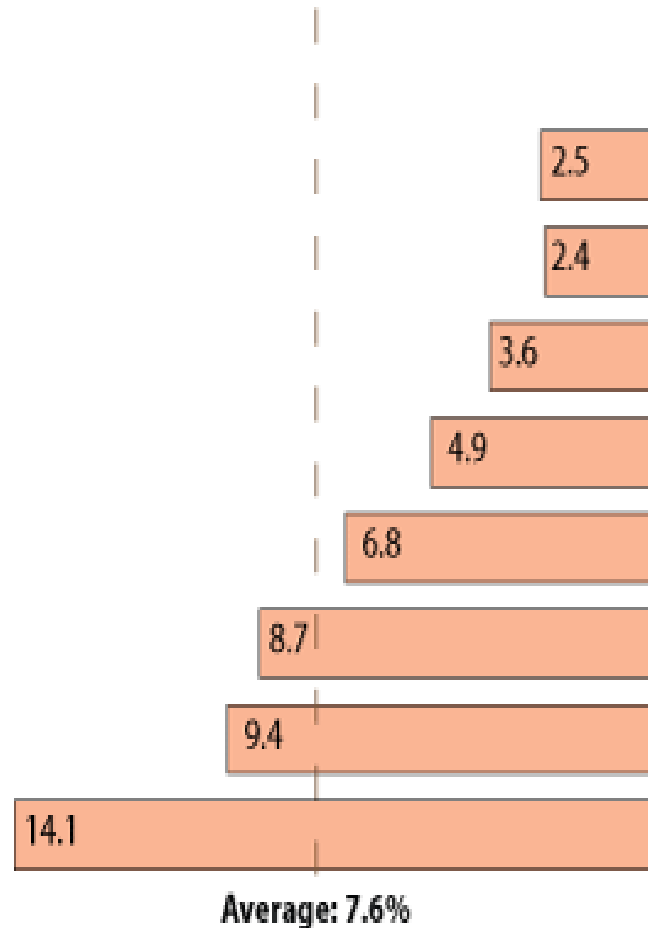
Here is a sample of a student average with all passing grades and <u>2 zeroes</u>	Here is a sample of a student average with the same passing grades and replacing those 2 zeroes with <u>50's</u>
100	100
100	100
100	100
→0	→50
→0	→50
88	88
70	70
95	95
Grade Average: 69 (F)	Grade Average: 81 (B)
Something is better than nothing!	
Receiving even partial credit for an assignment will not hurt your grade as much as a zero.	

Retention Policy and On-Track Credits

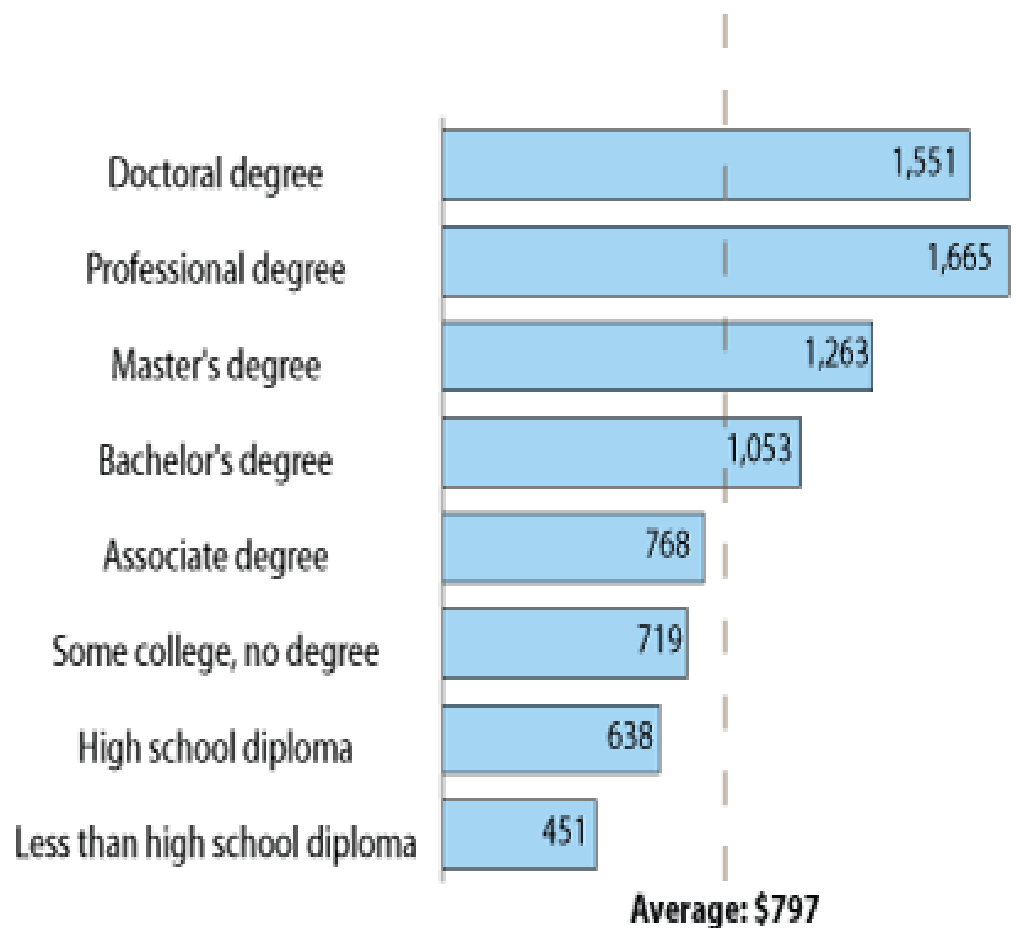
- Students stay with their class for all school activities for their **FRESHMAN YEAR ONLY**. Assignments beyond the freshman year will be determined strictly by the number of credits the student earns.
- To be promoted to the next grade level:
 - Freshman must earn 5 credits
 - Sophomores must earn 11 credits
 - Juniors must earn 17 credits
- Summer school is considered an extension of Spring semester
- To be eligible to participate in any athletics or extra-curricular activities at Centennial High School, students must:
 - Pass 5 OF 6 classes the previous semester
 - Have earned enough credits to be on track

Education Pays

Unemployment rate in 2011 (in %)

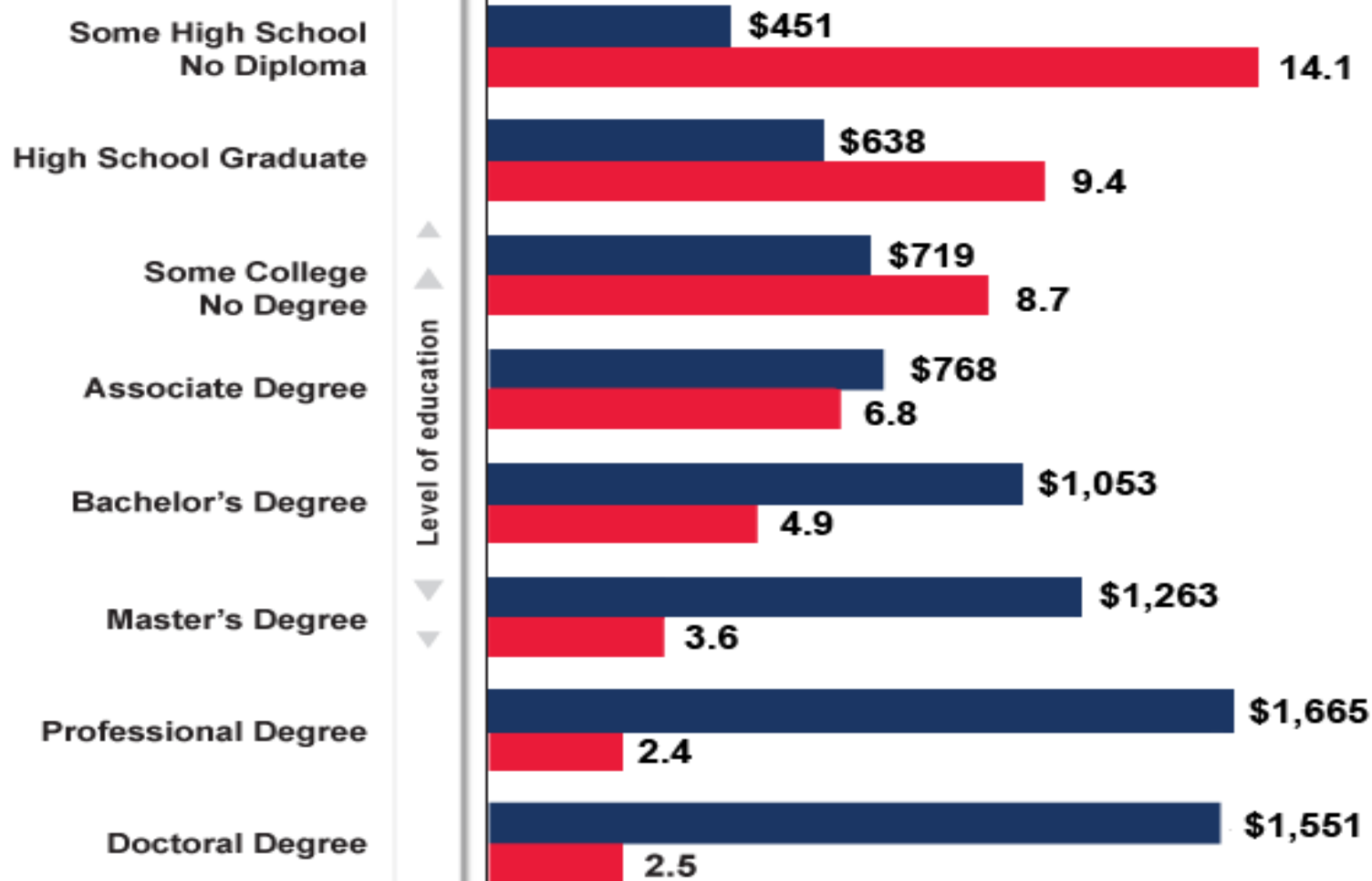


Median weekly earnings in 2011 (in \$)



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

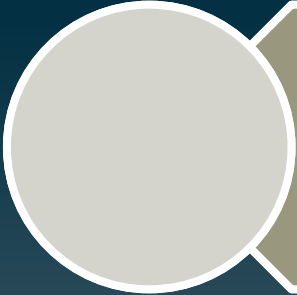
■ Median weekly earnings in 2011
■ Unemployment rate in 2011



Moving Forward



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“Four Year Plan” Classroom Guidance –
Week of March 4
Spring Freshman Parent Night – Thursday,
March 7 at 6:30 pm.



Please complete your “Setting
Goals” activity.