

Planning and Scheduling for 8th Graders

Congratulations on becoming a 9th grade parent! This is an exciting time in the life of your child. Your student is about to enter HIGH SCHOOL and begin making important career and life decisions unique to their individual interests and needs. In order to begin the planning process, here are a few things that can calm your nerves and help the transition from eighth to ninth grade be as smooth as possible.

SCHEDULING EVENT – REQUIRED FOR ALL PARENTS

It is the expectation of Frenship Independent School District that ALL students and their parent/guardian attend a mandatory on-site scheduling event. These scheduling events will allow parents to visit with a counselor or career representative one-on-one for a brief 15-20 minute appointment to complete the following:

- Select an Endorsement
- Create a 4-year Plan
- Select 9th Grade Courses

Below are the dates and locations for the scheduling events. Parents and students are encouraged to attend at their home campus, but may visit any location for a scheduled appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, but please be patient if the lines are long. Please do not contact your counselor prior to this event.

Heritage Middle School	February 12	Library	7-9 AM (appointment only); 3-7 PM
Terra Vista Middle School	February 13	Library	7-9 AM (appointment only); 3-7 PM
Frenship Middle School	February 26	Library	7-9 AM (appointment only); 3-7 PM
Ninth Grade Center	February 27	Media Center	7-9 AM (appointment only); 3-7 PM

To sign up for an appointment, there are several options:

- Use the signup genius link on the Ninth Grade Center webpage under “Latest News” to select your preferred time and location.
- Go to www.signupgenius.com and use the main search tool (top right hand corner) to search for an event by creator email. Search using abaker@frenship.us to find the “Parent Scheduling Nights for 8th Graders.” Select your preferred time and location.
- Email or call Jessica Duran (Ninth Grade Counseling Secretary) at jduran@frenship.us or call 806-866-0110 to schedule an appointment.
- Come as a walk-in (evenings only), but be prepared to wait based on the length of appointment times.

WHAT TO DO BEFORE THE SCHEDULING EVENT

- **Attend the FHS Course Fair on February 8th to learn about course offerings and visit with faculty. It will be in the FHS Student Center and Old Gym from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. There will be a PTSA meeting at 5:30 prior to the Course Fair in the Student Center.**
- Be prepared to select courses for your ninth grade schedule. (See enclosed “Courses at Ninth Grade Center”) Students will need to choose 8 credits.
- Be prepared to select an endorsement at the scheduling event. (See enclosed “What’s Your Plan?”)
- Be prepared to complete a high school 4 year plan, choosing 4 electives based on endorsement. (See enclosed “Personal Graduation Plan” and reference the Course Guide and other documents on the Ninth Grade Center webpage) **Please bring this with you; it will be turned in and used each year to guide your student. Please remember this is a working document and can always change.**

We are excited to serve you and your student as the high school adventure begins. We are grateful for all you do for your student, and we can’t wait to see you at an upcoming scheduling event.

Sincerely,

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