

The image shows the exterior of Hempfield High School. The building is a two-story structure with a light-colored stone or concrete facade. The entrance is a prominent feature, featuring a triangular pediment supported by four square columns. The words "HEMPFIELD HIGH SCHOOL" are inscribed in large, dark letters across the top of the pediment. Below the columns are glass double doors with a small "A4" sign. The building has several windows with dark frames. In the foreground, there is a paved road with a yellow curb and a "NO PARKING" sign painted on the asphalt. Green bushes and trees are visible around the building. The sky is clear and blue.

HEMPFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 2021

# WELCOME

- Introductions
  - Mr. Dague, HHS Building Principal
  - Dr. Becker, Grade 9 Principal
  - Mrs. Boas, Guidance Supervisor
  - Mrs. DaCosta, Grade 9 Guidance Counselor (A-Lar)
  - Mr. Bentley, Grade 9 Guidance Counselor (Las-Z)

# UNDERSTANDING THE HHS 2016-2017 CURRICULUM GUIDE

- Agenda
  - Guide available on HHS Website
  - General Information
  - 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Scheduling Information
  - Transition Opportunities

# MAKING SENSE OF THE GUIDE: HIGH SCHOOL V. MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Different Schedule
  - Block Periods (80 Minutes)
  - Flex (each day 3A)
  - Prerequisites for courses
  - 2 Day Cycle



# SAMPLE SCHEDULE

	Semester 1		Semester 2	
	Courses	Credit	Courses	Credit
<b>Block 1</b>	PE (Day 1) /FCS (Day 2)	.5/.5	American History 9	1.0
<b>Block 2</b>	Algebra 1A	1.0	Spanish 1	1.0
<b>Block 3</b>	Flex/Lunch		Flex/Lunch	
<b>Block 4</b>	General Science	1.0	English 9	1.0
<b>Block 5</b>	Healthy & Nutritious Cooking/ Nutrition for Life	.5/.5	Algebra 1B	1.0
	<b>Total Credits</b>	4.0	<b>Total Credits</b>	4.0
<b>Credits must add up to 4.0 each semester</b>				
<b>Each block must add up to 1.0 full credit</b>				

# IMPORTANT PAGES

- Intro: Table of Contents
- Page 1: General Information
- Page 4: NCAA Regulations
- Page 5: Counseling Services
- Page 6: Rank in Class and GPA



# IMPORTANT PAGES

- Page 9: Graduation Requirements
  - Must successfully complete required courses and Keystone Exams



- Must complete Graduation Project/Career Portfolio
  - Grade 9: FCS class
  - Grade 10: Career Day
  - Grade 11: PFL
  - Grade 12: Individualized



# IMPORTANT DATES

- Course Selection Forms Due:
  - Tuesday, February 14 to Middle School Counselors
- Input Course Requests with middle school counselors
  - February 20 – March 3
- Course Verification:
  - Printout of selected courses: to students March 13
- Parent Signature required on Course Verification Sheet  
Due: March 16



# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Music students who take a foreign language will only take 1 math credit during grade 9.
- Honors level math students will only take 1 math credit during grade 9.
- Summer Course Offerings – Advanced Credit
  - Fundamentals of Design (Art prerequisite) and Comm Tech I
    - 6/12 – 6/23
  - FCS/PE paired
    - 6/19 - 7/20
  - \*\*\*Advanced credit courses offer flexibility in a student schedule, but this does not guarantee placement in desired classes.
- General Science offered on-line during the school year during Semester 2
- **If you over-ride a teacher course level recommendation, you must remain in that course.**

# TRANSITION INFORMATION

- More Students
- More Opportunities
- More Privileges
  - 1:1 next year
- More Rigor/Responsibility
- Multifaceted Resources (teachers, Officer Henry, security officers)

# 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ACADEMY

- 2016-2017: Completed 4th year of Grade 9 Academy
- More resources for ninth graders
- All students have flex 3A and lunch 3B
- Focus on student success
  - PST meetings
  - Success Flex
  - Team Meetings
    - Class Meetings
    - Career Panels
    - Incentive Program
  - PBIS – PRIDE
    - Perseverance Respect Involvement Discipline Excellence
- Transition Tool Kit
  - Will be uploaded under Academy Heading on HHS website



## **P**ERSEVERANCE

*Never give up – even when things get tough.*

## **R**ESPECT

*Treat others how you would like to be treated – in person and online.*

## **I**NVOLVEMENT

*Contribute to a positive school climate and be an active participant in all aspects of school.*

## **D**ISCIPLINE

*Manage your time and your behavior well.*

## **E**XCELLENCE

*Do your best. No regrets!*

# IMPORTANT TRANSITION DATES

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Dance/Fun Night
  - (students from CMS & LMS)
  - Friday April 21, 7:00-9:00 pm in PAC - HHS
- Summer Orientation (Parents & Students)
  - June 27: 9:00 – 10:15 or 2:00 – 3:15
  - June 28: 9:00 – 10:15 or 2:00 – 3:15
  - July 11: 9:00 – 10:15 or 2:00 – 3:15
  - July 12: 9:00 – 10:15 or 2:00 – 3:15
  - July 13: 9:00 – 10:15 or 2:00 – 3:15

# IMPORTANT TRANSITION DATES CONTINUED

- Transition Camp: (Students Only)
  - Tuesday August 1 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.(at HHS)
- Sneak a Peek: (Students **MUST** be accompanied by an adult to walk through the building)
  - TBD after 17/18 school calendar is adopted by the Board
  - Walk building to follow schedule and find classrooms

Informational flyer will be sent home/posted: sign-up online or call.

# QUESTIONS?

- Talk with MS Counselors with concerns up until July 1.
  - LMS – Mrs. Huber
  - CMS – Mrs. Tobias
  - HHS
    - A-Lar      Mrs. DaCosta
    - Las – Z    Mr. Bentley
- Specific questions about your child's scheduling concerns, please speak with the appropriate middle school counselor or the Supervisors in the lobby.
- We appreciate your support of your student.
- Thank you for attending this evening.