

Top 10 Ways to be Successful in High School

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Our Goal

- ✦ Assist all students in
 - ✦ Becoming career and/or college ready
 - ✦ Understanding your skills and interests
 - ✦ Developing good character
 - ✦ Learning to problem solve and find solutions!

YOU DON'T HAVE
TO HAVE IT ALL
FIGURED OUT
TO MOVE
FORWARD.

10. Time Management



- ✦ You all know the deal -- there's only 24 hours in each day
- ✦ It's what you DO with them is what makes all the difference
- ✦ Get your "free time" under your control
- ✦ Start using a planner or calendar!!

Google Calendar

Your event was updated. [Undo](#)

Today



September 2016

Day

Week

Month

4 Days

Agenda

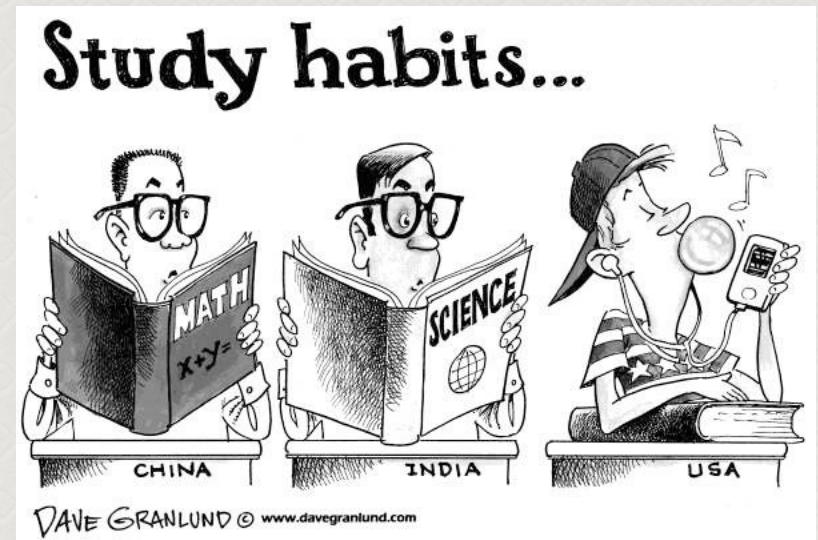
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	Sep 1 Sign up for clubs	2 NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY!!!!!!	3
4 NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY!!!!!!	5	6	7 English quiz	8	9 Gen Sci Lab Report	10
11	12	13	14	15 PE Beep Test	16 Career Panel - Flex	17
18	19 FCS Nutrition Packe	20	21	22	23 English Essay Due Unit 1 Alg Exam	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Oct 1

9. Good Study Habits

- ✦ Come prepared for class
- ✦ Complete all homework assignments thoroughly and completely
- ✦ Review your notes regularly-
“cram” less
- ✦ Set aside time to study



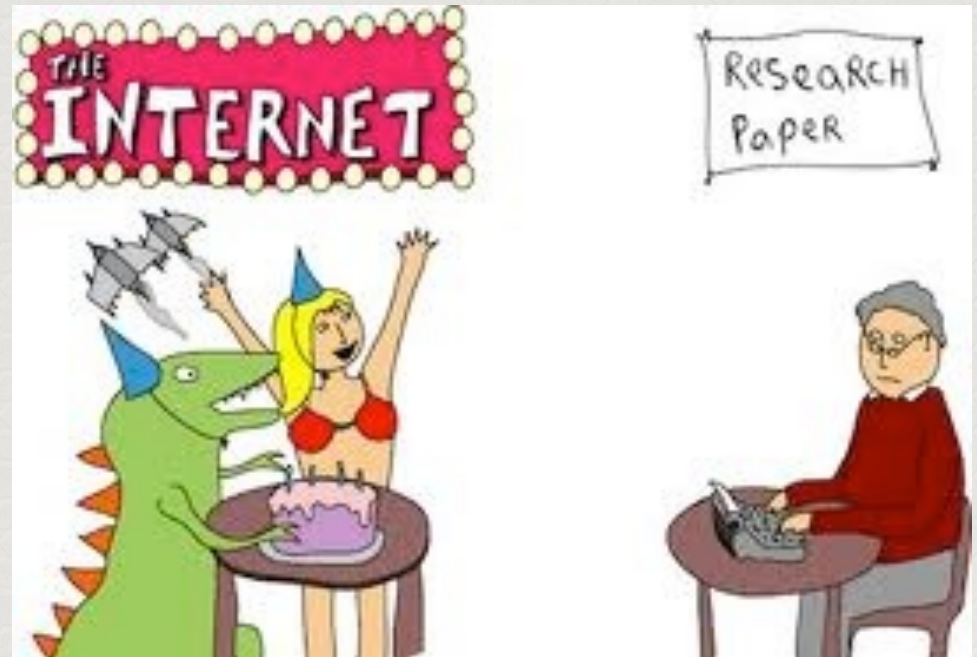
8. Set Some Goals

- ✦ Find out what you're good at
- ✦ Find out what you're interested in
- ✦ Find a career that matches up
- ✦ HHS Graduation Project & Naviance



7. Concentrate!

- ✦ In class, ask questions! Your parents don't remember Algebra anymore...
- ✦ At home: Stop. Put the phone down. Put the laptop away.
- ✦ Find your “distraction-free zone” and go there



6. Take Good Notes

Cornell Notes

Name
Date
Class
Period

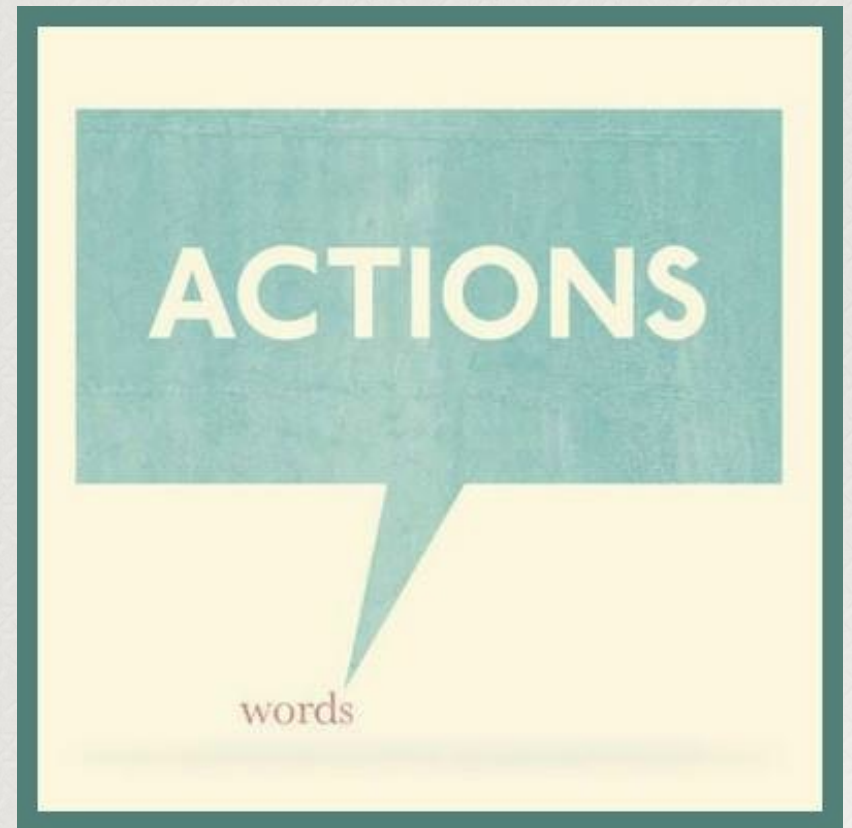
• Main Idea	• Key words & ideas
• Key	• Important dates/people/places
Question	• Repeated/Stressed Info
(after notes are completed)	• Ideas/brainstorming written on board / overhead projector
	• Info from textbook/stories
	• Diagrams & Pictures
	• Formulas

Summary of your notes in your own words

- Focus on getting the important stuff
- Ask your teacher for feedback on your notes to see if you're getting it
- Compare notes with a friend-- set up time to study together

5. Just DO Your Homework

- ✿ Missing homework assignments can bring your grade down a full letter grade
- ✿ These are the “easy points” -- don't miss out!
- ✿ Homework does serve a purpose



4. Get Motivated

- ✦ Keep the end goal in mind
- ✦ Stay organized-- keep it all together (calculator, pencil, notebook, etc.)
- ✦ Be consistent and you'll develop good habits
- ✦ Surround yourself with positive people and you'll have a positive life



3. Be a Self-Advocate

- ✿ Recognize when you need help
- ✿ No one is immune to failure-
It's all about HOW you respond to it
 - ✿ Sign up for tutoring
 - ✿ Go see your teacher during flex
 - ✿ Join a study group
- ✿ Issue with a friend, teacher, or family member?
 - ✿ Take positive & proactive steps to solve it



2. Show Good Character

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HEMPFIELD

PRIDE

PERSEVERANCE

Never give up – even when things get tough.

RESPECT

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

INVOLVEMENT

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

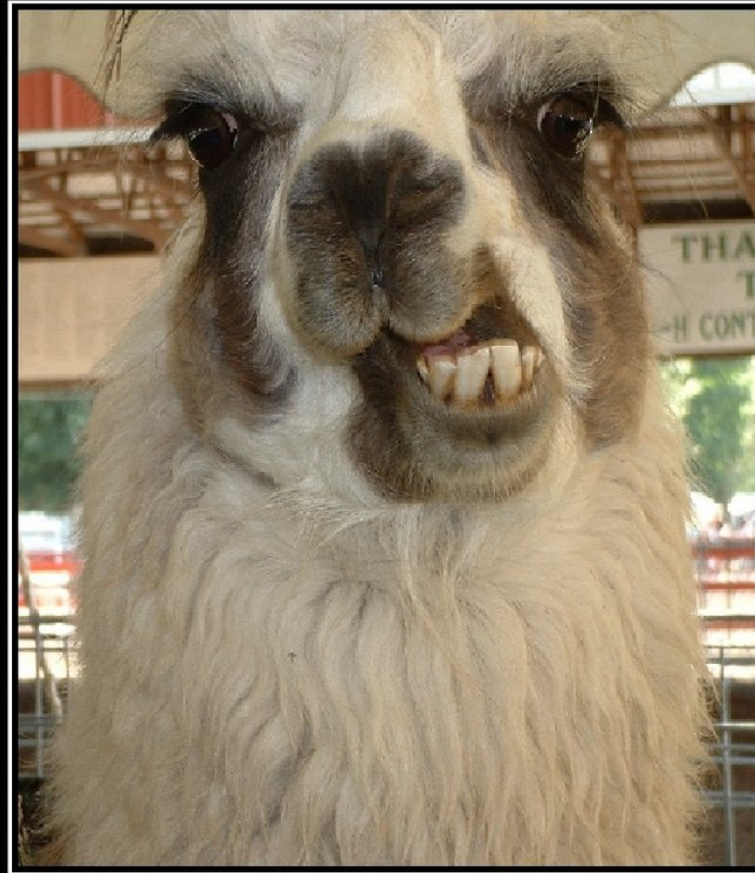
DISCIPLINE

Manage your time and your behavior well.

EXCELLENCE

Do your best. No regrets!

THIS LLAMA



DON'T WANT NO
DRAMA

I. Be Purposeful

**DO SOMETHING
TODAY THAT
YOUR FUTURE
SELF WILL
THANK YOU FOR.**

- ✦ Class of 2020-
these are your 4 years
- ✦ Make plans, not regrets
- ✦ Let us help you- academic,
career, or personal
- ✦ Get a pass in the morning
- ✦ Fill out a green card in the
Buchanan office
- ✦ See us during flex

Thank you!

You are dismissed...

DREAMS
Don't
Work
Unless
YOU Do.