

MINOOKA COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT # 111

Mission: To Inspire and motivate our students with an educational experience that leads to achievement and success.

December 13, 2016

Dear Incoming Freshman and Parents/Guardians:

We want to welcome you to Minooka Community High School and provide you with some important dates that will help to make your transition into high school a positive, collaborative experience. Please take a moment to read and note the following important information and dates.

Incoming Freshman Night – South Campus

Incoming Freshman Night is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of this evening is for parents/guardians to receive information regarding the honors program, detailed information of the registration/course selection process, as well as a brief overview of block scheduling, and MCHS graduation requirements. This evening will also provide opportunity to explore some of the extra-curricular activities MCHS has to offer.

MCHS Honors Program Informational Meeting – South Campus

An informational meeting detailing the MCHS honors program is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17, 2017, from 8:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the main gymnasium. This will be a formal presentation. This presentation will overview the honors program and its requirements for students. Information will also be provided regarding honors registration, registration for Math and Science placement tests, and expectations for the essay/writing requirements for English and Social Studies applications. The Department Chairs will be available before and after the honors presentation to answer student and parent questions.

If you are registering for Advanced Algebra I, Geometry, Geometry Honors or Chemistry Honors, you must take a mandatory skills test. Students will be able to register for the mandatory skills test online at www.mchs.net and select the "Incoming Freshman Info" link starting January 13, 2017 at 3 p.m. and closing January 19, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. (*Channahon Junior High location only*) or January 25, 2017 at 3 p.m. (*all other testing locations*). We will not be able to accept walk-ins on the testing days. The math and science skills tests will take place according to the schedule below:

January 20, 2017 -	Skills Testing Channahon Junior High students only at Channahon Junior High after the school's early release from 11:00 a.m 1:30 p.m.
January 27, 2017 -	Skills Testing Minooka Junior High students only at Minooka Junior High after the school's early release from 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
January 28, 2017 -	Skills Testing for Channahon Junior High, Minooka Junior High, Troy Middle School and Parochial Schools at Minooka Community High School - Central Campus from 8:00 - 10:30 a.m.

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Course Selection/Residency Process

Counselors from the MCHS Student Services Department will be visiting all sender schools in January for incoming freshman registration. During this process, the counselors meet with all of the 8th graders to discuss course selections and discuss our Curriculum Guide. Students and parents/guardians will be required to complete the entire course selection/residency packet, which includes the following forms:

- Freshman Course Selection Sheet (courses **must** also be entered into Class Choice online)
- Student Registration Instruction sheet (to be completed online)
- Residency Information Instruction sheet (to be completed online)
- State of Illinois Cert. of Child Health Examination Form
- Parental Release of Records (if applicable)
- Please note: The 2017-2018 Curriculum Guide is **only** available to view or for download at www.mchs.net

Parents/Guardians will also be required to provide a County Clerk certified copy of their child's birth certificate, as well as provide two proofs of residency to accompany the completed registration forms.

Please note the following dates and look for the course selection/residency material to come home with your child.

Course Selection/Residency Packet Drop-Off Dates:

January 12, 2017 – Minooka Junior High School	8:00 – 9:30 a.m.
January 13, 2017 - Channahon Junior High School	8:00 – 9:30 a.m.
January 13, 2017 - Troy Middle School	1:00 – 2:20 p.m.

<u>Completed Course Selection/Residency Packet Pick-Up Dates:</u>

The MCHS counselors will return to the school to collect the completed Course Selection/Residency Packets from the students. Please note: parents/guardians must complete the residency process, and students must enter their course selections into Class Choice before the packet is collected.

January 24, 2017 - Channahon Junior High School	8:00 – 10:30 a.m.
January 24, 2017 - Troy Middle School	1:20 – 2:20 p.m.
January 25, 2017 - Minooka Junior High School	7:45 a.m. – 2:35 p.m.

Sincerely,

The Student Services Department