

Class of 2021

In the Loop Newsletter: October



Important Dates and Events October/November:

- October 25 and 26: Parent Teacher Conferences [5:00-8:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.]
- October 26: Student Non-Attendance Day
- October 29: Sophomore *Unplugged Challenge* Day
- October 30-November 9: Meet with students for Q2 visits in all English classes.
- November 12: Non-Attendance Day, Veteran's Day
- November 15: Mid-term Deficiency Notices go out
- November 19-23: Non-Attendance, Fall Break

Upcoming Classroom (Q2) Visit:

During my next visit in the English classes I will review with students their GPA and graduation checklist, as well as share their GRIT score. We will also take some time to discuss student's experiences with the *Unplugged Challenge* (see attached handout). Students will complete the Career Cluster Finder and Career Interest Profiler. We will also discuss ways to build GRIT and have a most successful sophomore year!

Support Your Student Year by Year:

If you were unable to attend the event in August provided by CCHS Counselors and Social Worker, check out the following resources [here](#). You will find the PowerPoint Presentation, printable materials, and the full video presentation on developmental trends of teens and support strategies for caregivers to add to their toolbox of supports.

Several students are asking me what can be done to prepare for the future, and in sophomore year I encourage students to have a STRONG year academically as well as work towards feeling well and balanced. Sophomore year is an ideal time to build soft skills (e.g., attendance, teamwork, communication, work ethic, problem solving, flexibility/adaptability, interpersonal skills, leadership, etc.) that will help them junior through senior years and carry into life after high school.

College Visit Opportunities:

Students can access Naviance to add Smart Goals, create a resume, prepare for the PSAT & SAT, as well as sign up for college visit opportunities. College visit opportunities are open to sophomores through seniors. Students must pay attention to upcoming visitors in their Naviance account and must register through Naviance. These meetings are a great way to learn more about college options and for students to demonstrate an interest in specific colleges & universities.