



CY-FAIR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Today's Students – Tomorrow's Future

Senior Parent/Student Night 2024

HISTORY

- **Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (“CFEF”)** founded in 1970 by Cy-Fair business & community leaders as 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization
- **CFEF Board** consists of approximately 65 volunteer Board trustees committed to assisting students with post high school educational pursuits
- **Vision** - Provide financial assistance to Cy-Fair Independent School District (“CFISD”) students wanting to attend college
- **Mission** - Singularly committed to fundraising & scholarships for students from CFISD
- **Completely aligned with CFISD** due to our financial assistance awarded ONLY to CFISD students




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F O U N D A T I O N**

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CFEF IMPACT

- **Celebrating 53 years - Awards total over \$13.4 Million to 3,000+ students**
 - **Donated approximately \$4.4 million for CFISD staff development programs through the Salute to the Stars Event (which started in 1998)**
 - **Awarded over \$900,000 to 151 CFISD 2024 graduating seniors**
 - **Awards provided to students attending many colleges/universities including Lone Star College – Designated trade scholarships for Lone Star include Automotive and Welding**
 - **Scholarship / Award amounts range from \$1000 - \$32,000 each**
 - **Minimum 3 awards per high school**
 - **Provide financial assistance to CFISD students wanting to attend college**
 - **Very important that students complete the FAFSA (“Free Application for Federal Student Aid”) form to access financial resources like Federal Pell Grants and Texas Grants**
 - **Applying by Oct. 1 could provide a greater opportunity to access such resources**
 - **Certain public universities provide tuition assistance based on economic need but FAFSA is required**
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CFEF FUNDRAISERS

- BF Adam Golf Classic
- Salute to the Stars
- Salute to Our Heroes
- Houston Methodist Cy-Hoops Invitational
- CFEF Sporting Clay
- Donate to Educate
- Corporate Partners / Individual Donors / Endowment Partners



CFEF
SCHOLARSHIP
RECEPTION



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- Scholarships based on financial need, scholastic achievements and leadership qualities
- November 25, 2024 – Online application will be available on CFEF website
- January 11, 2025 – Deadline for online application for certain CFEF awards
- March 2025 – Anticipated date for online application for CFEF Schroeder application on website
 - Requires Lone Star College attendance
- April 2025 - Deadline for online application for Edwin Schroeder endowment awards
 - Awarded to CFISD senior students attending Lone Star College
 - 35-50 scholarships - \$2,000 each



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WAYS TO STAY INFORMED



CFEF WEBSITE
TheCFEF.org



CFEF OFFICE
281-370-0144



CONTACT
COUNSELORS AT
HIGH SCHOOL



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Title I

Cypress Ridge is a Title I campus

We receive additional funding based on our % Economically Disadvantaged to support all of our students.

Benefits of Title I Funds

- higher grades and test scores
- better attendance
- higher graduation rates
- greater connection between parents and school

How are our Title I monies spent?

8 positions were added to our campus:

- 1 Paraprofessional to assist with Attendance
- 5 Additional Teacher Positions to help with class size
- 1 Counselor
- 1 Academic Achievement Specialist

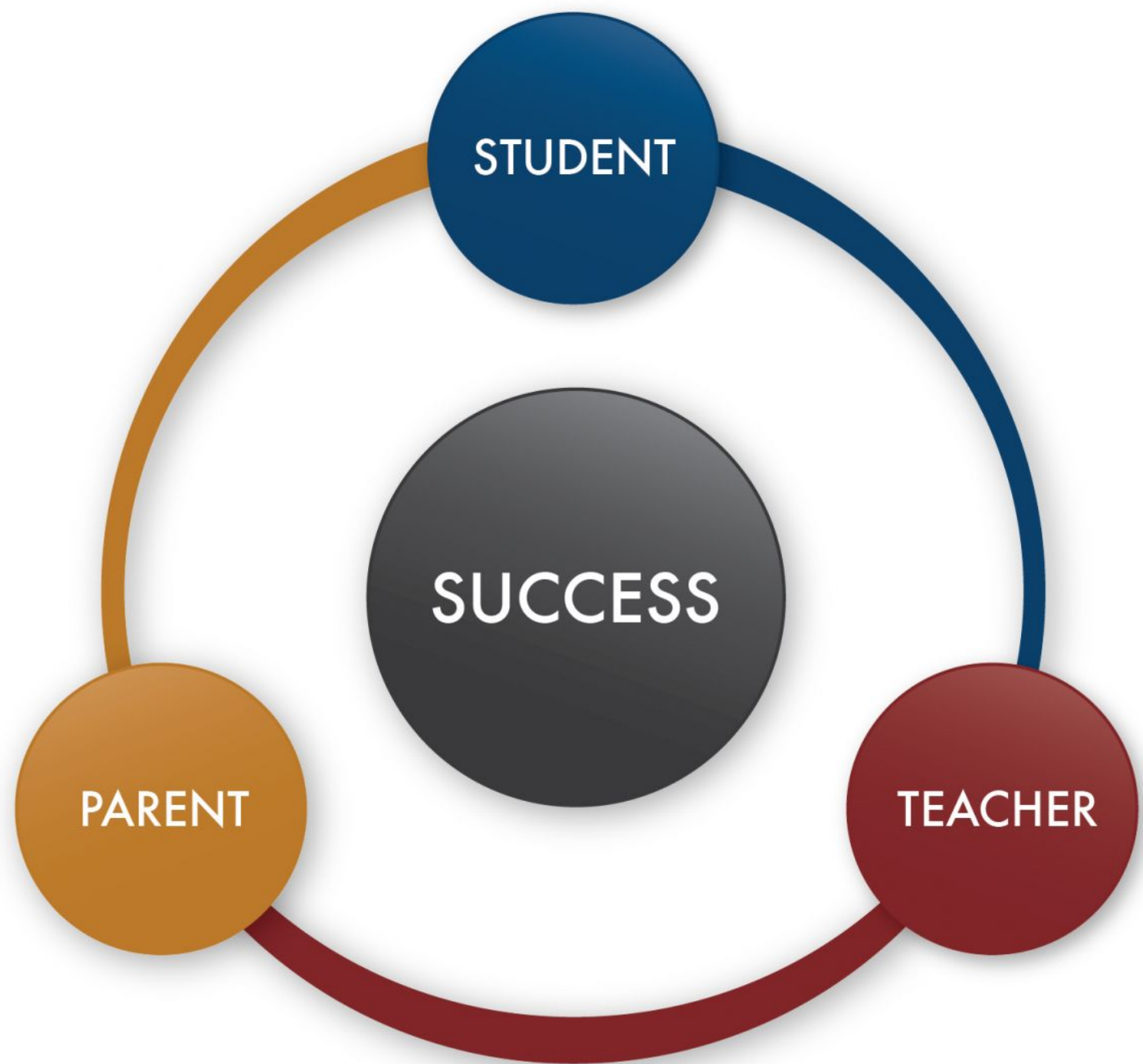


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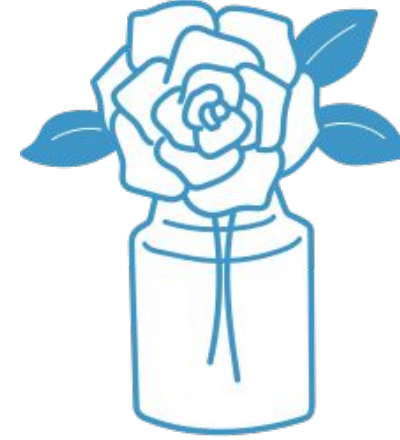
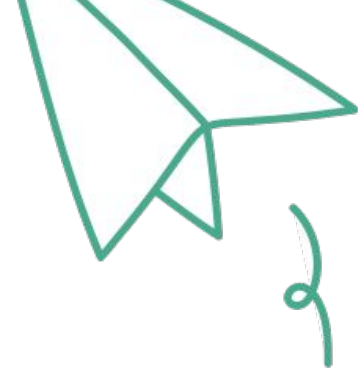


Scholarships for:

- cost of all certification exams
- cost of all AP tests
- all Dual Credit tuition



**Let's Work
Together to help
your student
succeed!**



OPEN HOUSE 24-25



COUNSELOR TALKS



CYPRESS RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL



Meet the Counseling Team



Brandi Blomquist
(Lead Counselor)



Monica Iles
(A-Car)



Erica Bell
(Cas-F)



Dominique Thomas
(Je-Men)



Robert Zemel
(G-Ja)



Angelica Izaguirre
(Meo-P)



Ashley Golden
(Q-Sol)



Stacey Fernandez
(Som-Z)



Who to Talk to

Assistant Principals

Attendance & Discipline

Teachers

Grades & Assignments

Testing Coordinator

EOCs (STARR) & 504
Services

Counselor

Credits, Schedules, and
other concerns

**College & Career
Specialist**

Plan for your future

Parent Tools

Community Resources



College & Career



Counseling Events



Counseling & Family
Services



WWW.CFISD.NET/CYRIDGE

Join Class Groups in Schoology

Freshman

2ZBN-Z9KQ-6
3BQ9

Sophomores

8V7W-X82J-
B7ZJX

Juniors

WVT2-CWZ3-
MP97G

Seniors

J4T2-KZR8-F
823R

All Cy Ridge Students

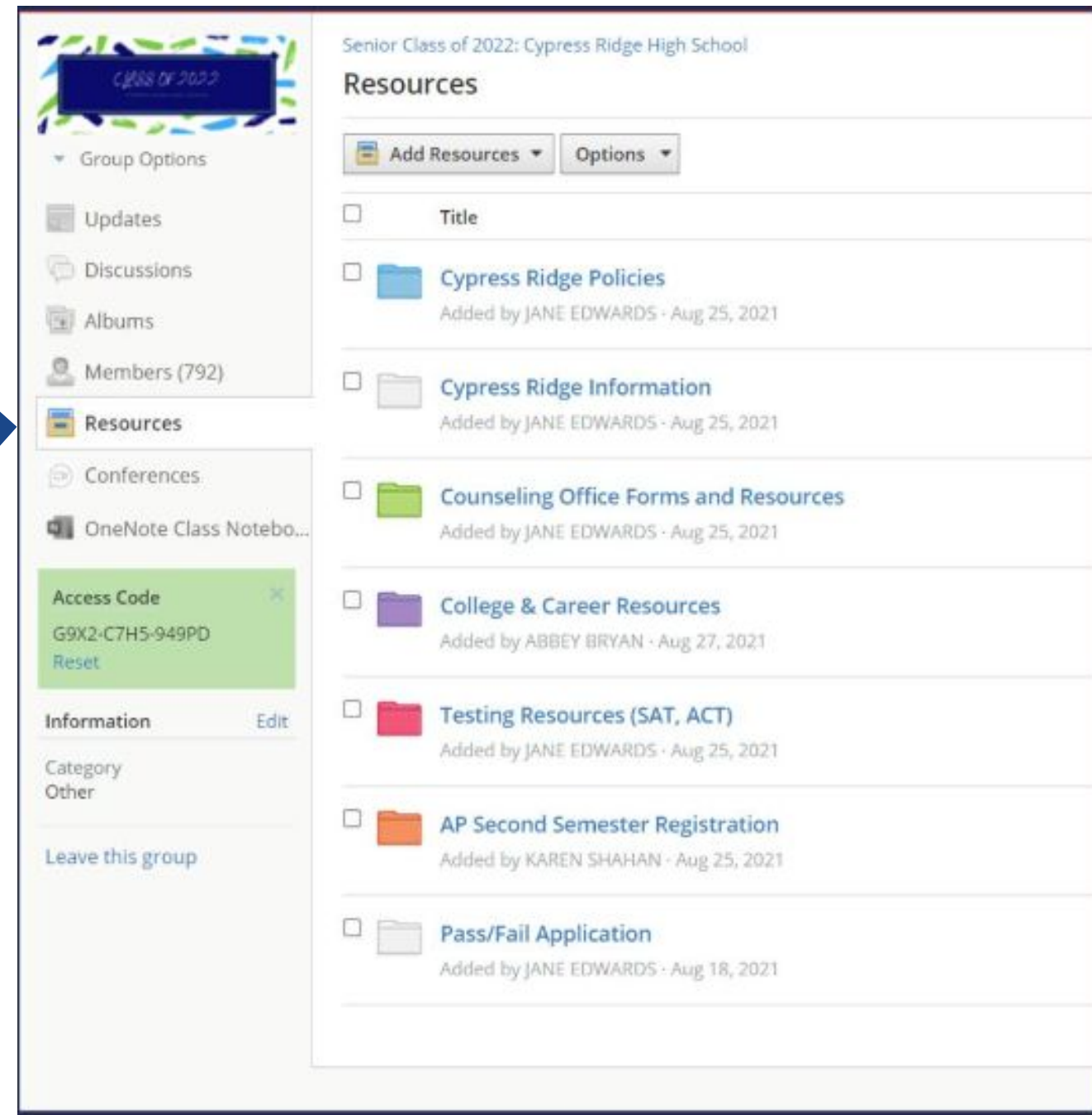
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QKTXX

Access Codes for
each grade level



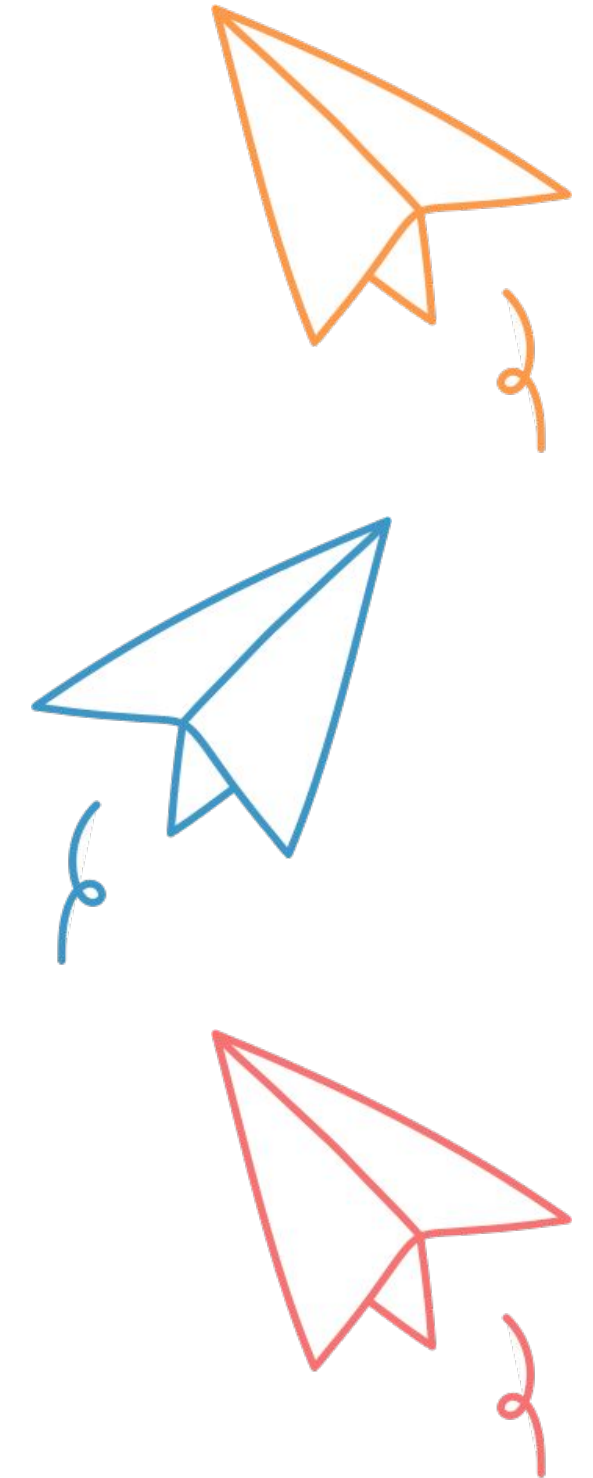
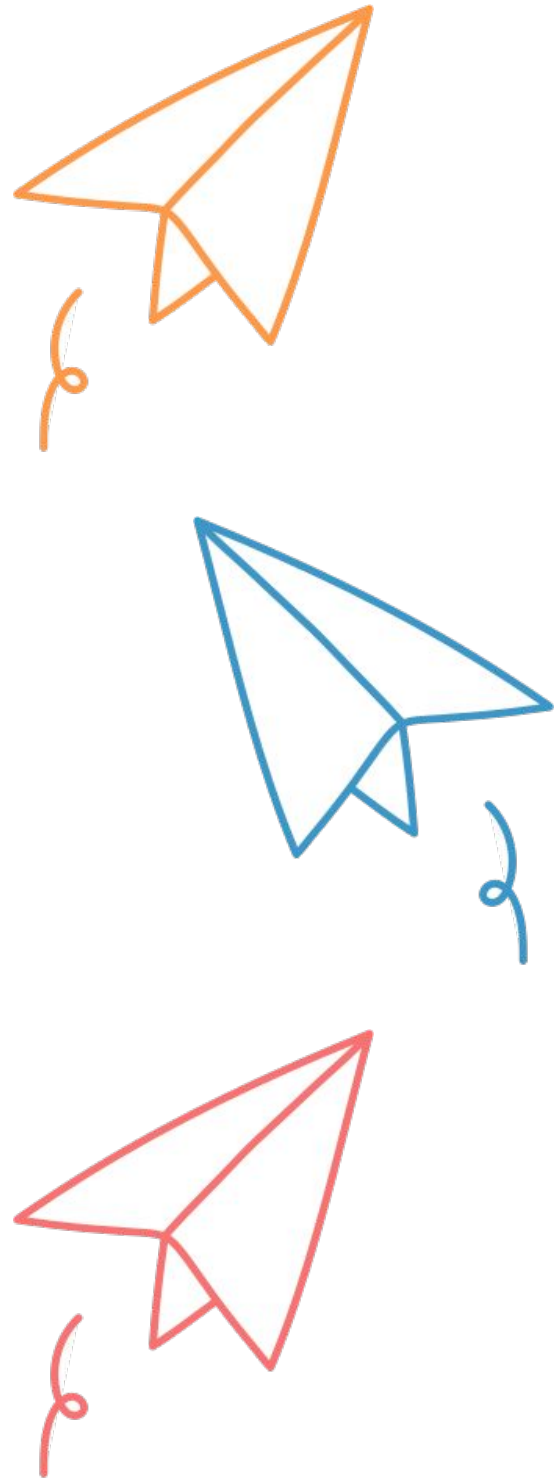
Connect Through Schoology

Students can find important resources in their schoology group



The screenshot displays the Schoology interface for a group titled "Senior Class of 2022: Cypress Ridge High School". The left sidebar contains navigation options: Group Options, Updates, Discussions, Albums, Members (792), Resources (highlighted), Conferences, and OneNote Class Notebo... Below these is an "Access Code" box with the code "G9X2-C7H5-949PD" and a "Reset" link. At the bottom of the sidebar are "Information" (with an "Edit" link), "Category" (set to "Other"), and "Leave this group". The main content area is titled "Resources" and includes an "Add Resources" button and an "Options" dropdown. A list of resources follows, each with a checkbox and a folder icon:

- Title
- Cypress Ridge Policies
Added by JANE EDWARDS · Aug 25, 2021
- Cypress Ridge Information
Added by JANE EDWARDS · Aug 25, 2021
- Counseling Office Forms and Resources
Added by JANE EDWARDS · Aug 25, 2021
- College & Career Resources
Added by ABBEY BRYAN · Aug 27, 2021
- Testing Resources (SAT, ACT)
Added by JANE EDWARDS · Aug 25, 2021
- AP Second Semester Registration
Added by KAREN SHAHAN · Aug 25, 2021
- Pass/Fail Application
Added by JANE EDWARDS · Aug 18, 2021



PSAT

PSAT

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 2, 2024

WHO TAKES THE PSAT?

ALL 10TH GRADE STUDENTS AND
9TH GRADE COLLEGE ACADEMY ONLY

ANY 11TH GRADE STUDENT WHO WANTS TO
TAKE THE PSAT MUST REGISTER USING THE
LINK BELOW BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

[BIT.LY/RIDGE_PSAT_24](https://bit.ly/ridge_psat_24)



SCAN ME

Deadline for 11th graders to
registered is September 11th

Counselor's Corner

**Access a wealth of information
including brochures/flyers**

**Request to visit with
counselor**

**Academic advisement
regarding Classes**

**Monday-Thursday at all
lunches**

In case of emergencies or immediate needs, counselors
are available to see students with a pass

Promotion Standards

9th

Middle School
Promotion



10th

1 year of
High School
+
5 credits,
including English 1 &
Algebra 1



11th

2 years of
High School
+
11 credits



12th

3 years of
High School
+
17 credits

Graduation Requirements

	Foundation	+ Endorsement	Distinguished Level of Achievement
Discipline	Credits	Credits	Credits
PACE	½		
English	4		
Math	3	1	Incl. Algebra II
Science	3	1	
Social Studies	3		
Languages other than English (Foreign Language)	2		
Fine Arts	1		
PE	1		
Health	½		
Electives/Endorsement Courses	4	2	
Total Credits for Graduation	22	26	26



FAFSA GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

FAFSA

Free Application for
Federal Aid

- Enrolling in college or career educational program
- Student has a valid Social Security Number
- Complete application online at [Studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)

TASFA

Texas Application for
State Financial Aid

- Enrolling in college or career educational program
- Student does not have a valid Social Security Number
- Lived in Texas for 3 years before graduation
- Complete printed copy and mail with all supporting documents to the college you are attending

PARENT OPT-OUT

Contact your student's counselor
for Parent Opt-out Form

- Going into the military or not attending a college or career educational program
- Parents choose not to complete FAFSA/TASFA
- Complete opt-out form with Counselor

Early Release-Late Arrival Requirements

New with the Junior Class – class of 2026

To be eligible for Early Release or Late Arrival students must meet the following criteria:

Be on the Foundations with Endorsement plan & pass all EOC's

- English I
- English II
- Biology
- Algebra I
- Us History

- 26 credits with one of the endorsements listed below
 - Multidisciplinary
 - Arts & Humanities
 - Stem (Math or Science)
 - Business & Industry
 - Public Service

Meet college & career readiness by one of the following:

- Earn a certification in a CTE course within a career pathway
- Earn 3 hours of Dual Credit Math/Dual Credit English or 9 dual credit hours
- Earn a 3,4,5 on AP Test

Advance Classes

Entrance into Advanced Classes

- 85 yearly average in same subject L level class
- OR 75 during 2nd semester in same subject K level class

Removal from Advanced Classes

- Students will be removed if they have an F in a K Level class for any grading period
- Students will be removed if they have a C- in a K Level class at Semester

- Students will start the school year in these courses
- Students will remain in K/AP course for the entire semester unless they fail a grading period

Grading

There are four 9 week grading periods a school year

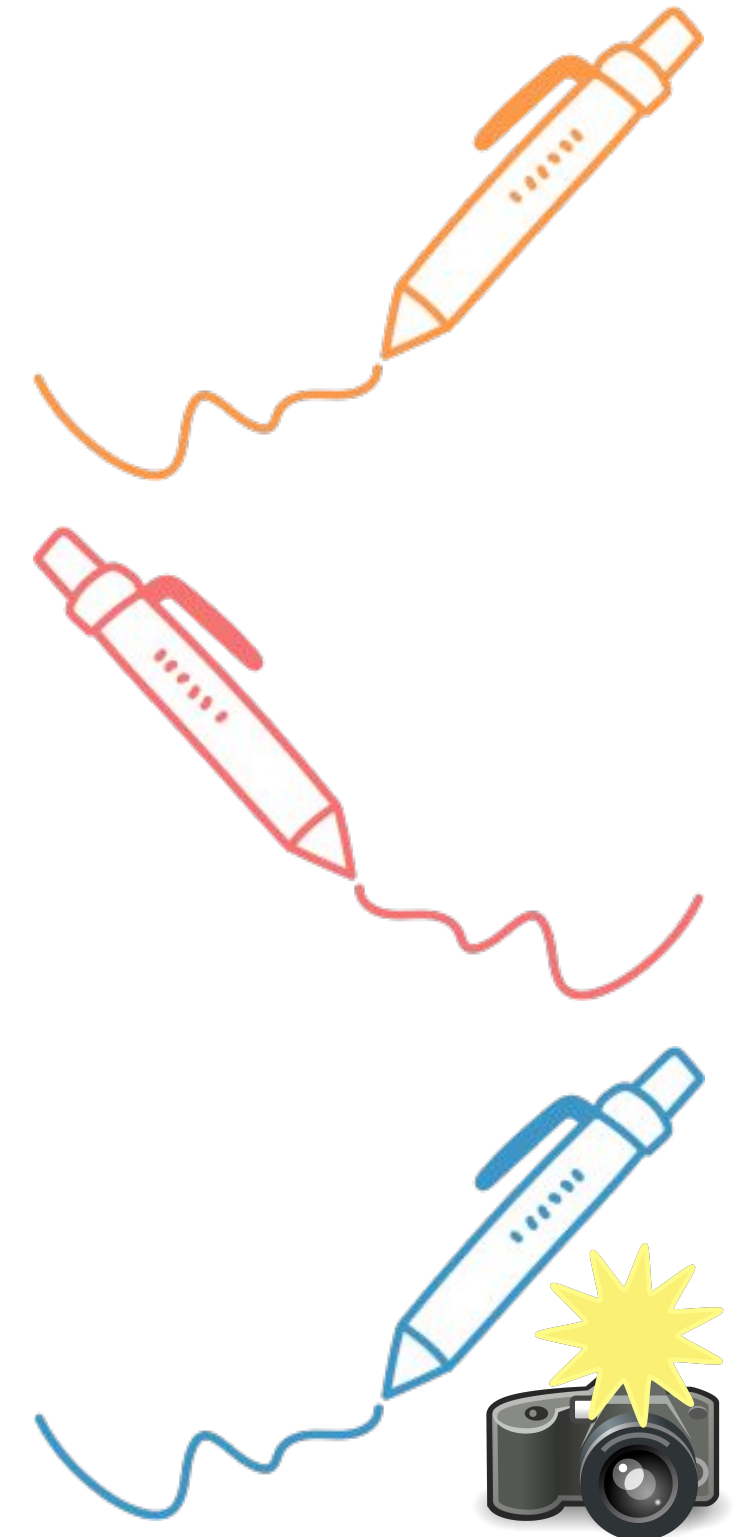
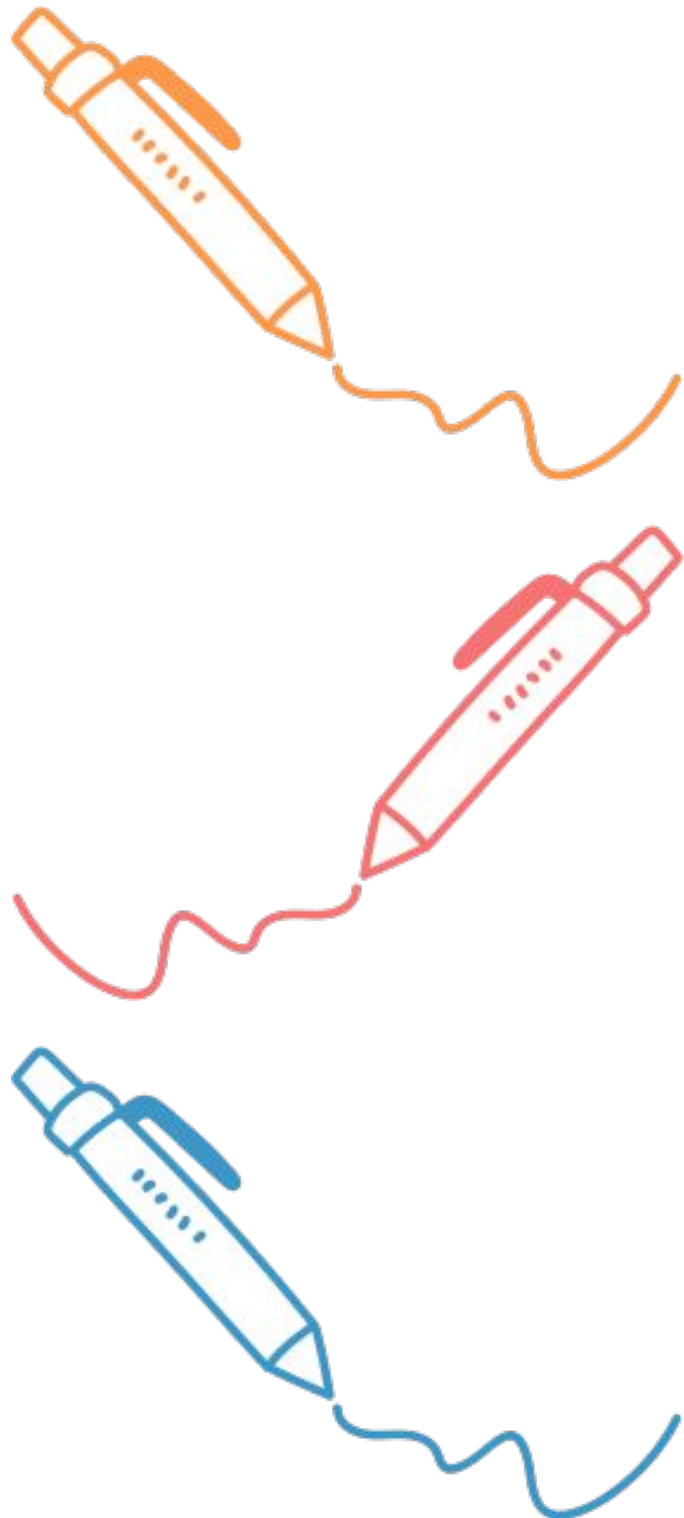
1 st Semester	2 nd Semester
1 st Nine Weeks – x3	3 rd Nine Weeks – x3
2 nd Nine Weeks – x3	4 th Nine Weeks – x3
Semester Exam – x1	Semester Exam – x1

Total Divided by 7

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$$\frac{3(1^{\text{st}} \text{ Nine Weeks} + 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ Nine Weeks}) + \text{Semester Exam}}{7}$$

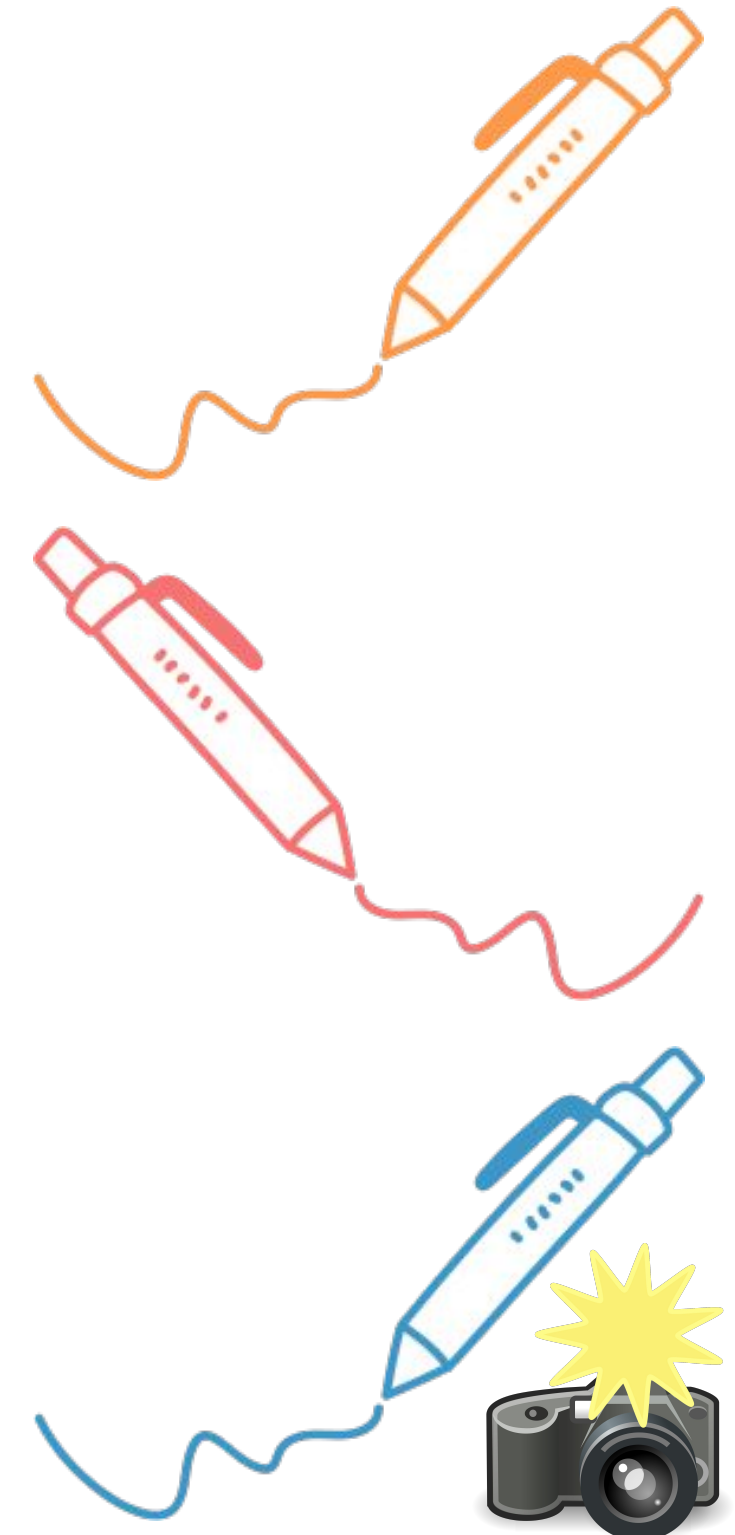
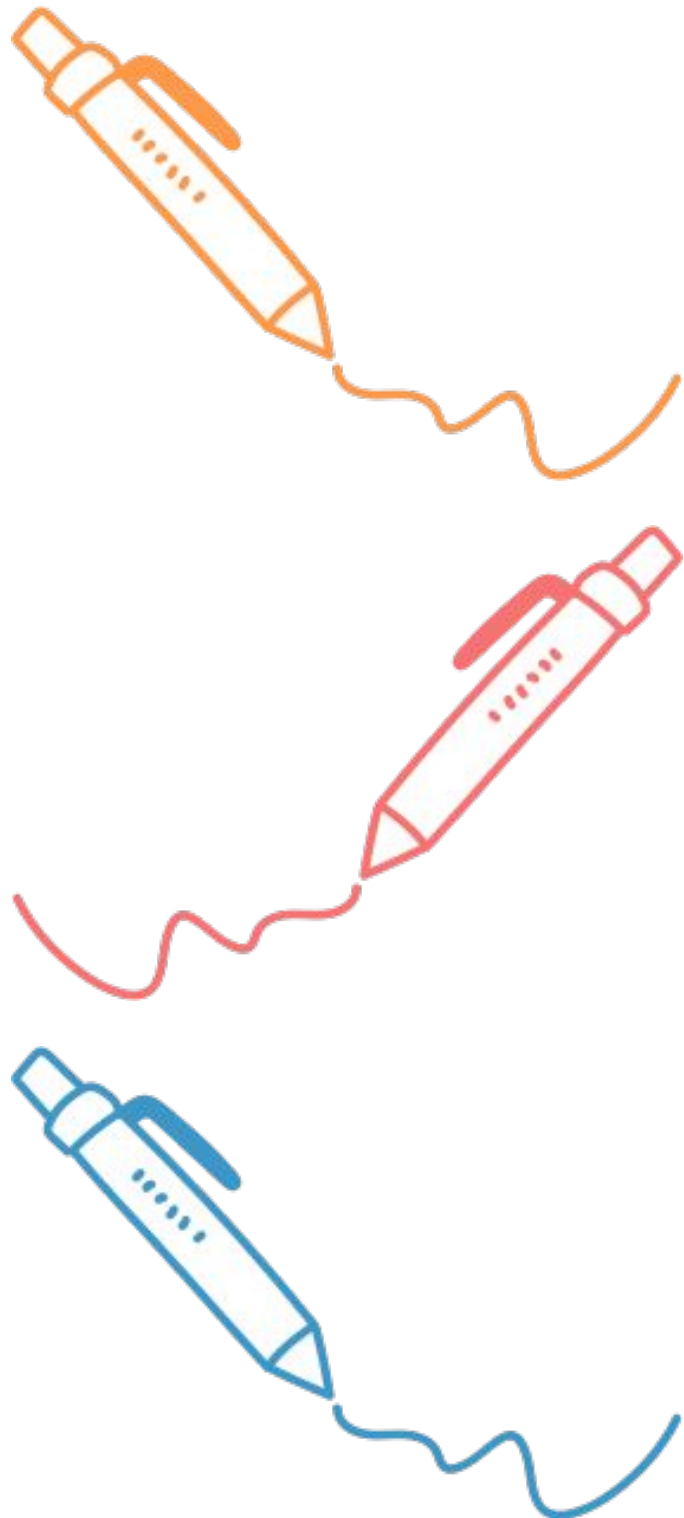
**EACH SEMESTER AVERAGE SHOWS ON
TRANSCRIPT**



Grade Point Average

On-Level	K, AP, DC, Horizons
A(90-100) = 6	A(90-100) = 7
B (80-89) = 5	B (80-89) = 6
C (75-79)= 4	C (75-79) = 5
C- (70-74) = 3	C- (70-74)= 4
F (0-69) = 0	F (0-69) = 0

GPA is cumulative by semester



Sample of Class Rank Based on GPA

TOP 6%	#1-38
TOP 10%	#1-64
1ST QUARTER	#1-159
2ND QUARTER	#163-319
3RD QUARTER	#322-479
4TH QUARTER	#481-641



Pass/Fail for 11th & 12th Graders

1

11th and 12th Grade Students are eligible to earn up to 2 credits on Pass/Fail Basis

2

Meant to encourage students to take advanced courses in addition to the total number of credits required for graduation

3

Students must meet eligibility requirements and only certain courses can be taken pass/fail

4

Pass/Fail courses are excluded in the computation of GPA & A "P" will be recorded on the transcript instead of a numerical grade

5

Academic performance in a Pass/Fail course will affect eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities

College Readiness

- Seniors have an Opportunity to Earn College Readiness by taking:
 - English 4
 - Advanced Algebra/College Algebra
 - earning a 75 or higher in the second semester.

This means if they enroll at Lone Star College they would not need to take the TSI to test into college-level courses.

Fee Waivers

For students who receive free/reduced lunch

1

ACT, SAT fee
waivers

2

College
Application fee
waivers
-Located in your
College Board login

3

Reduced
Advanced
Placement
test fees

4

NCAA
registration
fee waivers

5

Lunch
application can
be found at
schoolcafe.com

Scan here to apply:



College Applications

How to Apply

Most applications are completed on-line through Go Apply Texas or through the Common Application

References & Input

Some college applications require your counselor's input

Heads up

If forms are sent electronically by colleges to your counselor, make sure your counselor receives this information

Recommendation letter

Complete the Senior Resume if you require a recommendation letter for a specific scholarship or college application. Submit the resume to your counselor 2 weeks in advance.

Upcoming Events

Senior
Conferences

September 11th

HARN College Visit
at all lunches

October 30th

PSAT for
10th & 11th

October 2nd

Funding Your
Future

Early Spring

College Night
9th-12th

October 1st

STAAR Retest
9th-12th

December

ASVAB
11th/12th

October 22nd

Graduation

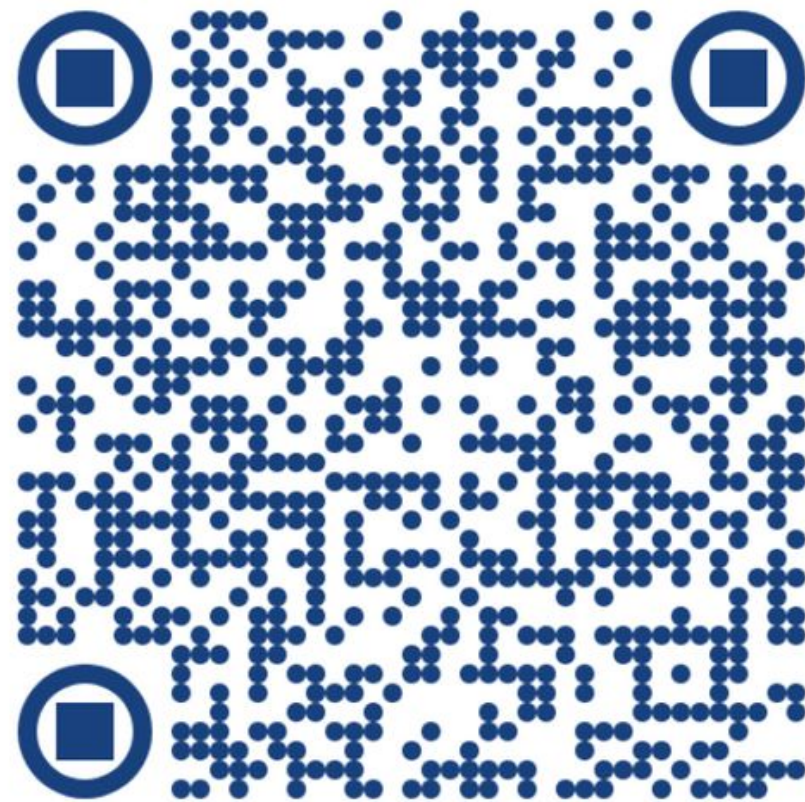
May 28th



PARENT HOME ACCESS CENTER

Home Access Center allows parents and students to view student registration, scheduling, attendance, classwork assignments, and grade information.

First Time Login Instructions



For issues with usernames and passwords, please contact the Customer Care Center at 281-897-4357.

The District is Paperless

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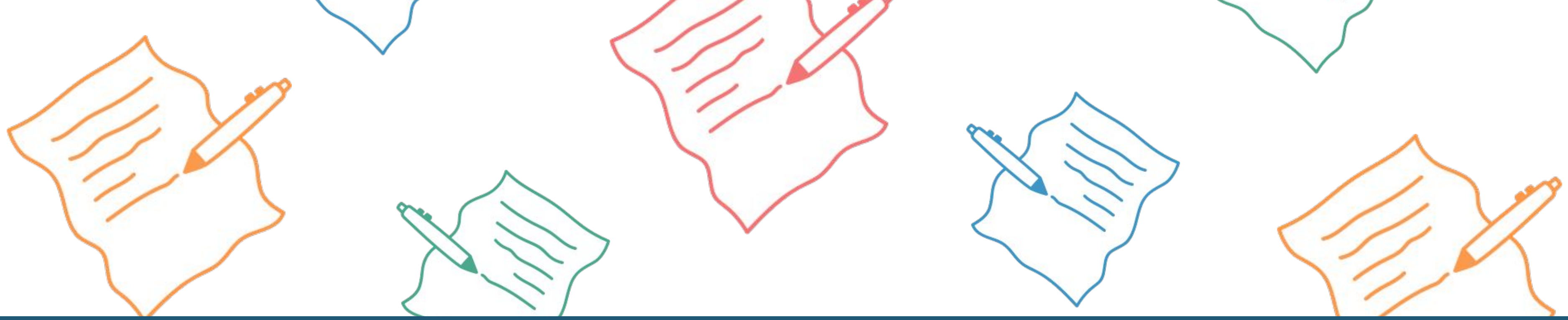
Make sure you have a current e-mail address updated on the student demographic form.

2

Update student and parent information in the registrar's office.

3

There will be NO paper copies of progress reports or report cards. Parents will check student grades through the Home Access Center - HAC



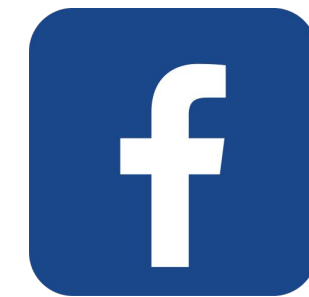
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Thank You for Listening!

The image features a central dark blue banner with the text "Thank You for Listening!" in a white, rounded, sans-serif font. Above and below the banner are decorative borders consisting of several stylized, hand-drawn icons of papers and pens in various colors (orange, green, blue, red). Each icon depicts a piece of paper with horizontal lines and a pen resting on it, creating a repeating pattern.