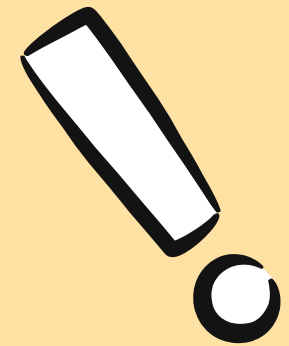
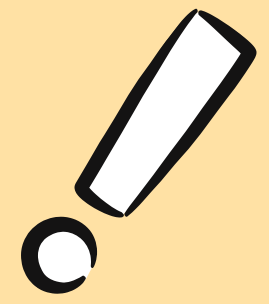


**WELCOME MCQUEEN
CLASS OF 2030**



TODAY'S GOALS



- Provide an opportunity for students and families to participate in the academic planning process
 - Become familiar with the McQueen Course Catalog
 - Learn about the transition to high school
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MCQUEEN COURSE CATALOG

**GO TO THE
MCQUEEN
WEBSITE**

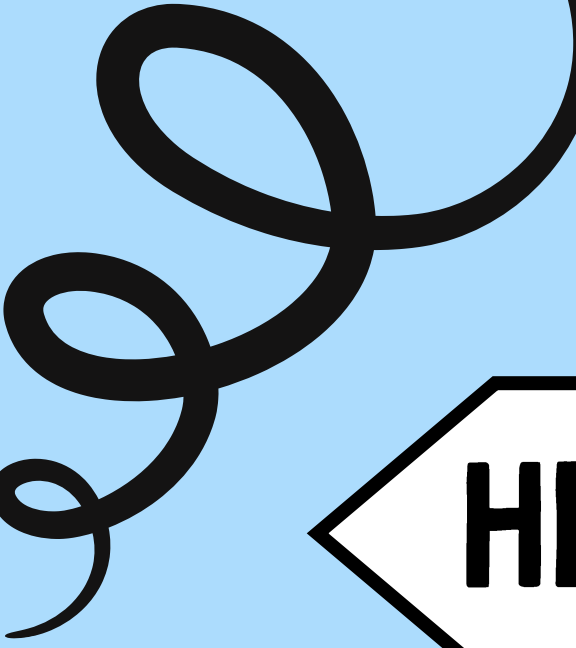
**CLICK ON
"ACADEMICS" THEN
"COURSE CATALOG"**

**ARE THERE
CLASS FEES?**

**ARE THERE OUT OF
SCHOOL
REQUIREMENTS?**

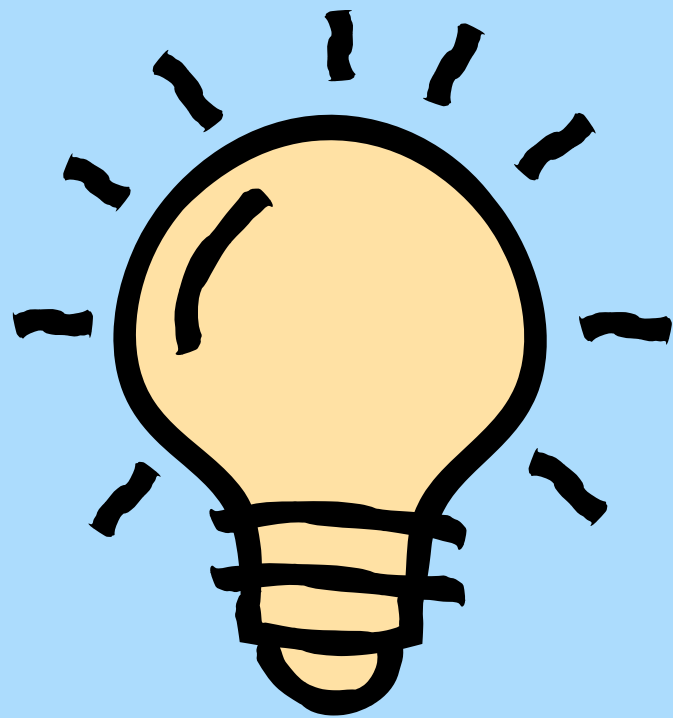
Be sure to review course descriptions and the fees that each student/family is responsible for. Plus, review the showcase of videos that highlight many of our elective classes.





HIGH VS MIDDLE

What are the differences between high school and middle school?



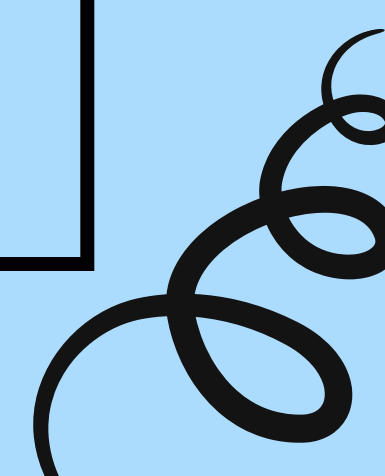
GRADING

- 18-week semester versus 9-week grading period
- Semester grades go on high school transcript

SCHEDULE

- Each student has 7 classes that they attend four times a week, plus Lancers Excel two times a week
- Open campus for lunch

LEARNING

- Greater emphasis on a students' responsibility for their learning
 - More homework
 - Students as self-advocates
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BELL SCHEDULE & ATTENDANCE

Monday/ Tuesday/ Friday	Wednesday	Thursday
Breakfast 7:30- 8:00	Breakfast 7:30- 8:00	Breakfast 7:30- 8:00
1° 8:00- 8:48	2° 8:00- 9:20	1° 8:00- 9:19
2° 8:53- 9:41	EXCEL 9:25-10:25	EXCEL 9:24- 9:54
3° 9:46- 10:34	4° 10:30-11:50	3° 9:59- 11:18
4° 10:39- 11:27	LUNCH 11:50- 12:25	LUNCH 11:18- 11:53
LUNCH 11:27- 12:01	6° 12:25- 1:45	5° 11:53- 1:12
5° 12:01- 12:49		7° 1:17-2:35
6° 12:54- 1:42		
7° 1:47- 2:35		

**DAILY ATTENDANCE IS LINKED TO
GREATER LEVELS OF ACADEMIC
ACHIEVEMENT**

**PARENTS/GUARDIANS CAN NOW
SUBMIT "ABSENCE REQUESTS" IN
THE INFINITE CAMPUS PARENT
PORTAL. [CLICK HERE](#) TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT THIS PROCESS.**

DIPLOMA TYPES

1. Standard
2. Advanced
3. College & Career Ready
4. Honors
5. Honors/CCR

Course Title	WCSD Standard (2025-2028)	WCSD Standard (2029-beyond)	State Advanced	College and Career Ready with Endorsement	WCSD Honors	WCSD Honors/ College & Career Ready
English	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Math (Must include Algebra 1, Geometry & Algebra 2 or equivalent)	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0 ^Δ	4.0 ^Δ
Science	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0 [†]	3.0 [†]
American Government	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Economics and Personal Finance	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
U.S. History	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
World History/World Geography	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
PE	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Arts/Humanities/CTE	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Computer Literacy	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
World Language	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2.0*	2.0*
Electives	6.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	4.0	4.0
Flex Credit	1.0**	2.0**	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	23.0	23.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
# of Honors Credits					8	8
Required Cumulative GPA			3.25 on a 4.0 scale (no rounding)	3.25 on a 4.0 scale (no rounding)	3.40 on a 4.0 scale (no rounding)	3.40 on a 4.0 scale (no rounding)

EARNING CREDITS

For every class a student passes, they earn 0.50 credit a semester

After the first semester of freshman year, each student should earn 3.50 credits

After the second semester of freshman year, each student should earn 3.50 credits

This will total the full 7 credits one should earn for the 7 classes taken as a 9th grader

GRADING SCALE

We have a 10-point grading scale. A passing grade is a 60% D or higher:

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

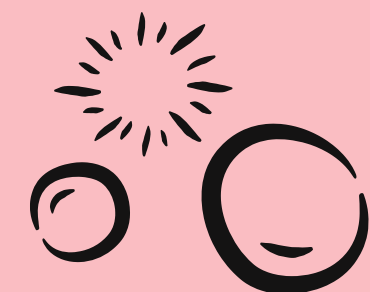
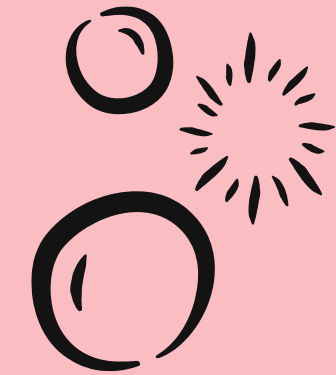
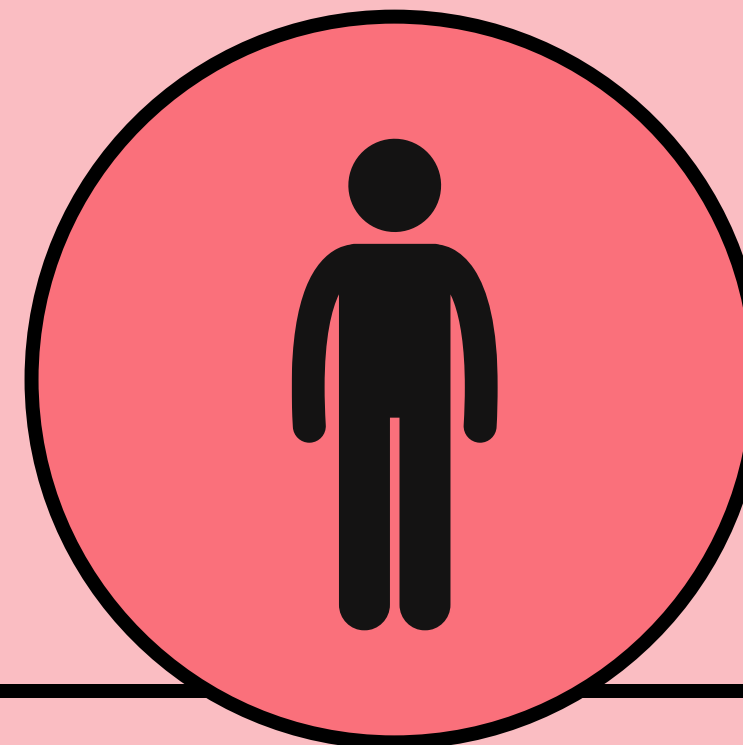
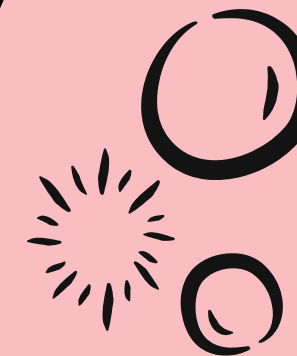
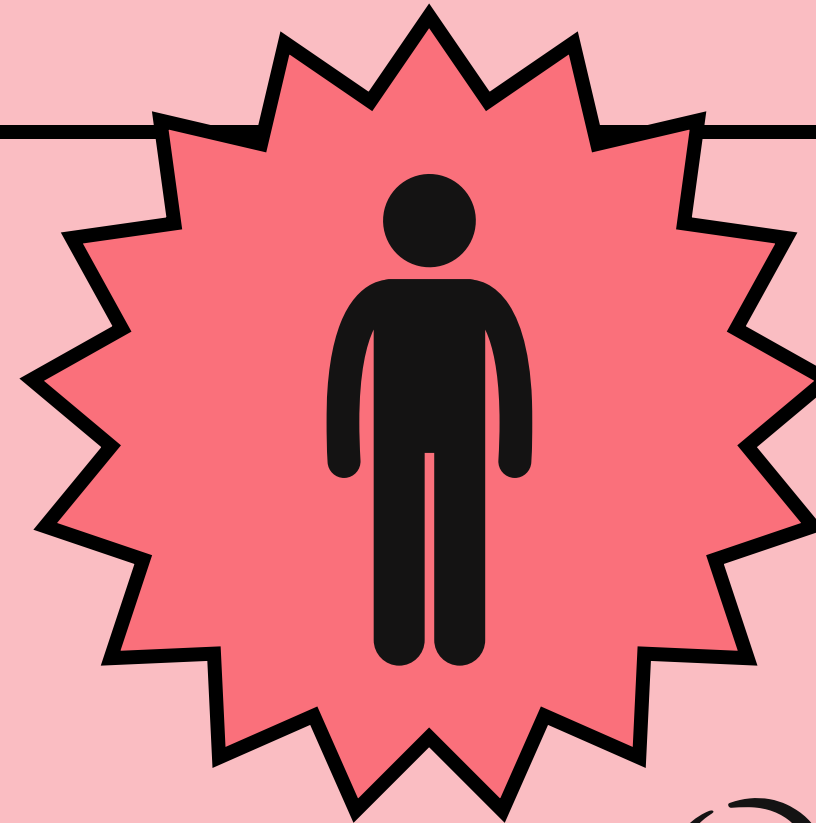
D = 60-69

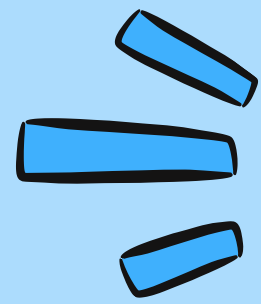
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SCHEDULES

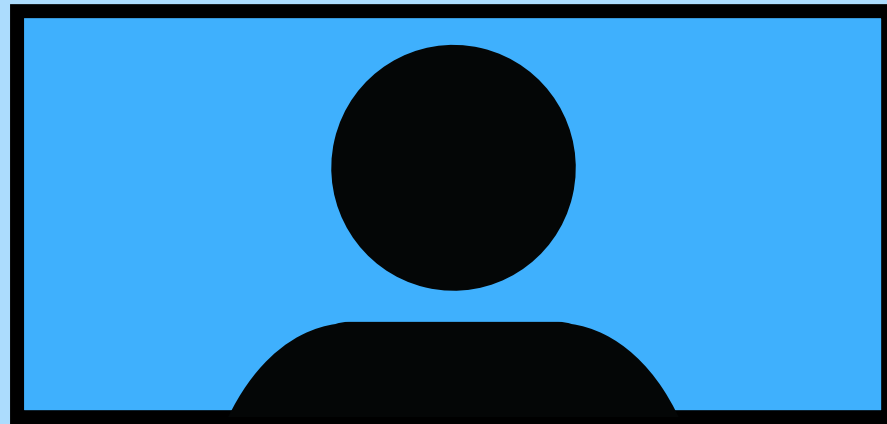
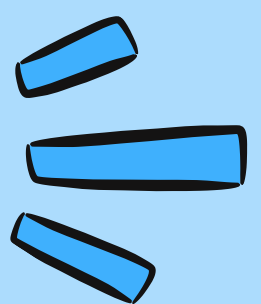
9TH GRADE

- All freshman take 7 classes
- The 4 core classes include math, science, English, and Freshman Seminar
- The remaining 3 classes can be picked from the Course Catalog



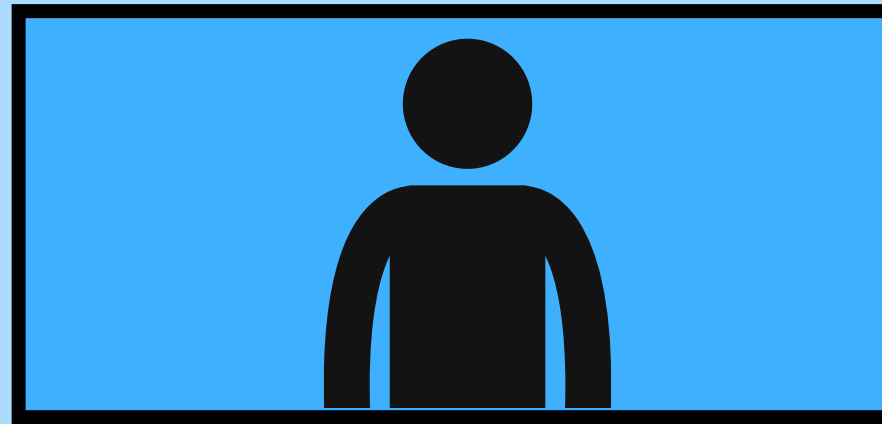


FOUR CORE CLASSES



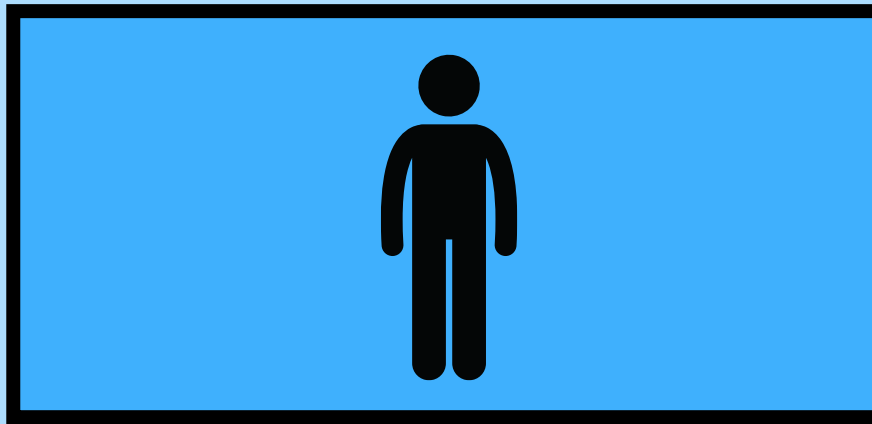
MATH

Algebra 1
Geometry or Formal Geometry
Algebra 2



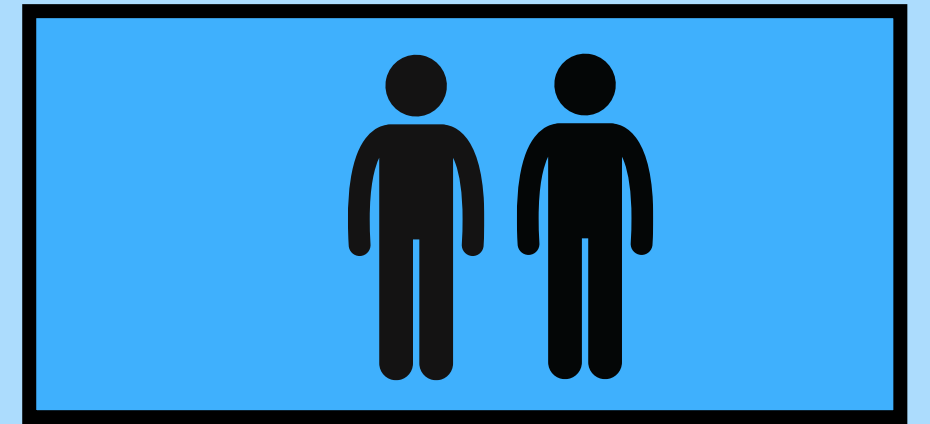
SCIENCE

Biology
Biology Honors



ENGLISH

English 1-2
English 1-2 Honors



FRESHMAN SEMINAR

**CHECK THE COURSE CATALOG FOR DESCRIPTIONS OF THESE CLASSES AND THEN TALK TO YOUR TEACHER TO
HELP DETERMINE WHICH COURSE IS RIGHT FOR YOU!**

ENGLISH

- Creative Writing
- Read for Enjoyment
- Speech and Debate (two teacher rec's required)
- Yearbook (application required)

FINE ARTS

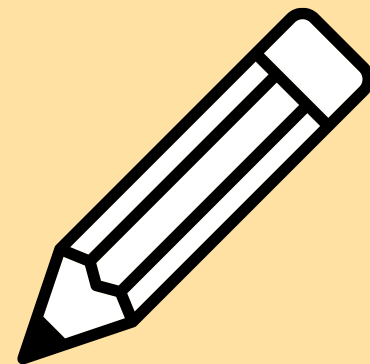
- Art
- Ceramics
- Music: Choir, Band, Orchestra, Piano, Guitar
- Theatre



ELECTIVES

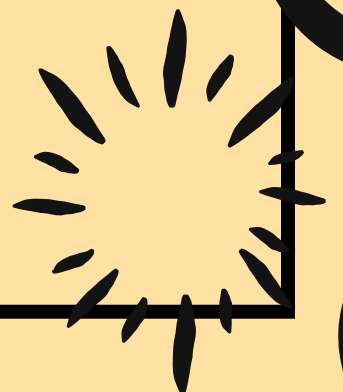
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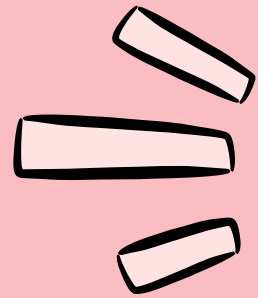
- Spanish
- Spanish Literacy
- French
- German



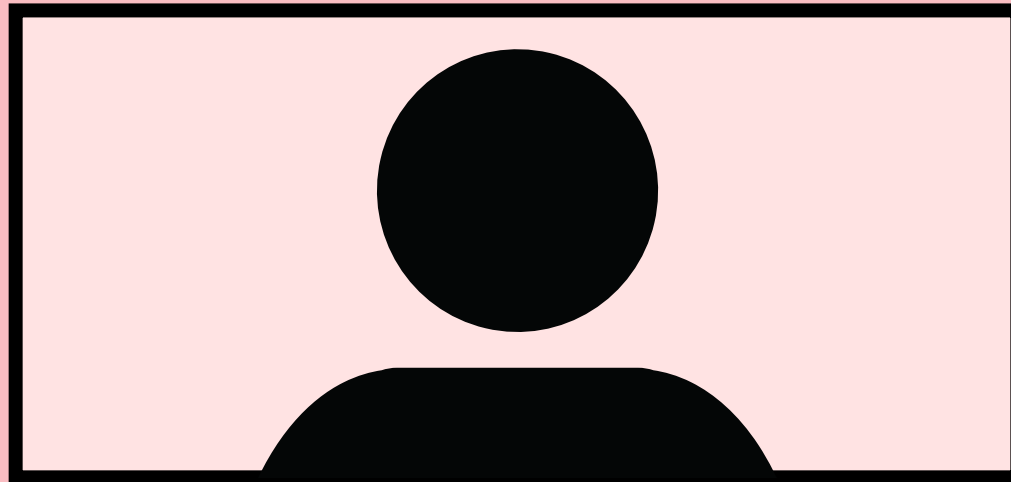
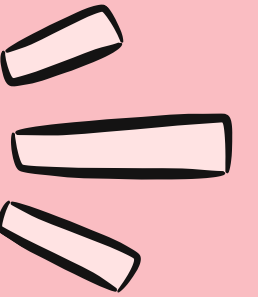
AND MUCH MORE...

- Construction Tech
- Culinary Art
- Physical Education (PE)
- Military Science (JROTC)



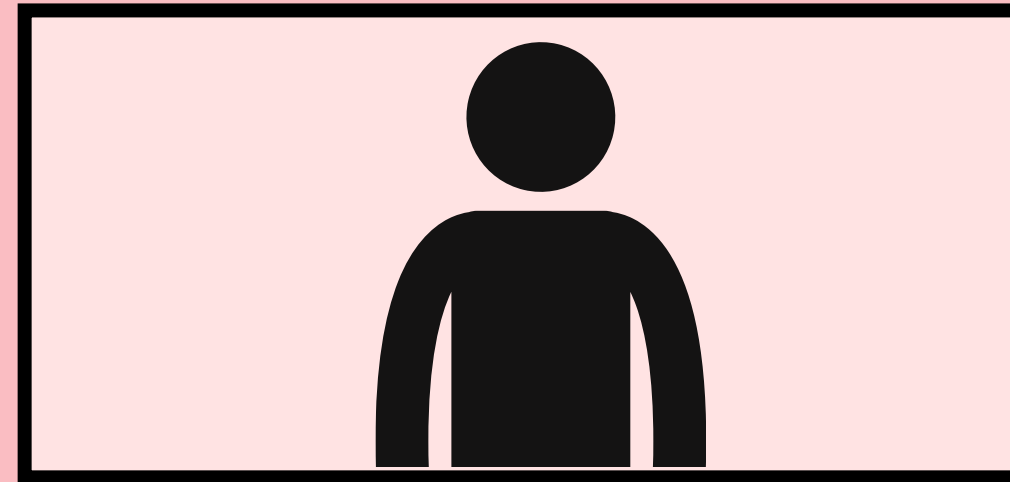


CLASSES THAT REQUIRE AN APPLICATION



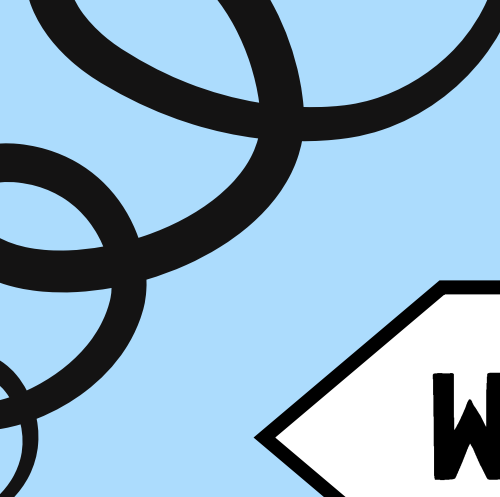
YEARBOOK

Contact Ms. Lavelly
LLavelly@washoeschools.net



SPEECH & DEBATE

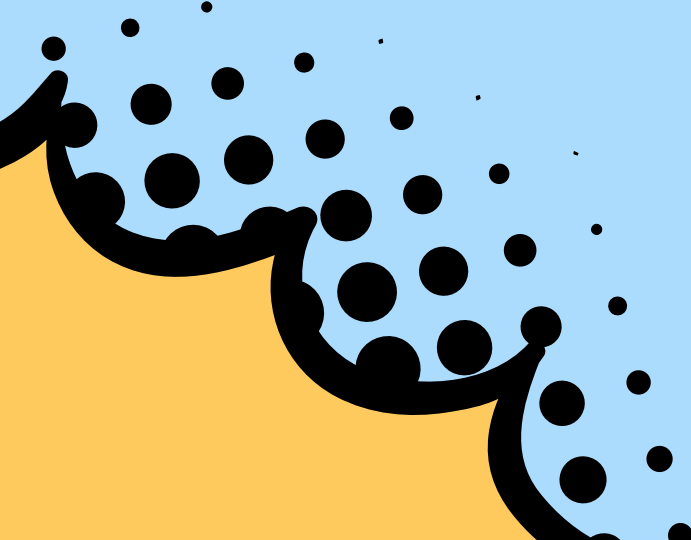
Contact Mrs. Guffey
AGuffey@washoeschools.net



WORLD LANGUAGE

Approximately half of the world's population is bilingual—and you can be, too! Knowing a second language helps you communicate with others, learn about other cultures, and boosts your job and salary prospects.

Take Spanish, French, or German at McQueen High School and earn the Seal of Biliteracy to show proficiency in two or more languages!



FRENCH

Bonjour! Join French to have a fun experience learning a new language! We will read books, listen to songs, and play games for you to learn French. Don't hesitate to try something different!

GERMAN

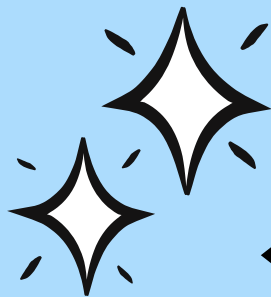
Ready to explore a new language and culture? Join the McQueen German Program – the only one in Northern Nevada! Learn German while having an authentic German breakfast, making German desserts, and learning about castles. Start your adventure today!

SPANISH

Join the 600 million people around the world who speak Spanish! The McQueen Spanish program helps students learn the world's second-most-common language. You will expand your ability to communicate for work, travel, and fun!

SPANISH LITERACY

Explore the advantages of your home language and culture! Spanish Literacy is for students who speak Spanish at home, and is designed to improve academic skills by studying Latino identity and culture through novels, videos, and community projects. Turn your roots into a tool for success!



REQUIRED CREDITS FOR GRADUATION

REQUIREMENT	CLASS(ES)
HEALTH (0.50 CREDIT)	Health or 3rd Year of Military Science
COMPUTERS (0.50 CREDIT)	Computer Science & Apps
PE (2.00 CREDITS)	PE, Military Science, PE Waiver (playing a school sport or activity that qualifies)

**TAKING SOME OF THESE
CLASSES DURING
FRESHMAN YEAR IS
RECOMMENDED**

COURSE REQUEST FORM

- Complete front and back
- Requires signatures on the back side
- **COURSE REQUESTS WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO INFINITE CAMPUS BY YOUR MCQUEEN COUNSELOR UNTIL THE PARENT/GUARDIAN HAS COMPLETED ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027. [CLICK HERE](#) TO REGISTER NOW.**

WCSD Online Registration Completed (Office Use Only): YES NO

Student Name: _____ Due Date _____

Student ID # _____ McQueen Counselor (Circle One): BENSON LONGLAND SMITH PARKER PARNELL

Freshman Course Requests for the 2025-2026 School Year

- **WCSD REQUIRED ONLINE REGISTRATION:** Parent/guardian **must complete** annual online registration through Infinite Campus before course selections can be input by counselor. Please visit <https://www.washoeschools.net/register>. Once logged into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, click "More," then click "Online Registration" and complete the necessary steps.
- The courses listed below will be used to create your class schedule. Class placement is based on course availability and is not guaranteed. Please make your choices carefully as changes will NOT be made unless the placement level is incorrect. Remember – you are selecting courses, not teachers.
- **Use the Freshman Course Guide in planning your classes.** Each student received a printed copy of the Course Guide, and a digital version can be found at www.washoeschools.net/mcqueen. Click on the "Academics" tab on the left, then "25-26 McQueen Course Catalog," then "Course Guide for Incoming Freshmen."

Core Courses (Required)

ENGLISH	☐ (1201-1202) English 1-2 ☐ (1203-1204) Honors English 1-2 ☐ Other _____ Course # _____	MATH	☐ (2201-2202) Algebra 1 ☐ (2215-2216) Formal Geometry Honors ☐ Other _____ Course # _____
SCIENCE	☐ (3141-3142) Biology ☐ (3143-3144) Honors Biology ☐ Other _____ Course # _____	SEMINAR	☐ Freshman Seminar (Required for all 9 th graders)
MISC.	Check any that apply: ☐ I am preparing to take a Credit by Exam test in 8 th grade for my high school Health credit ☐ I am preparing to take a Credit by Exam test in 8 th grade for Spanish 1-2 ☐ I am a native Spanish speaker and am interested in taking Spanish Literacy 3-4 ☐ I am currently enrolled in or have already taken the full semester computer class that will earn the high school computer science waiver		

Student Last Name	McQueen Counselor	Email Address
A-C	Mrs. Benson	JBenson@WashoeSchools.net
D-Ho	Mrs. Longland	Katelynn.Longland@WashoeSchools.net
Hp-Mor	Ms. Smith	KMSmith@WashoeSchools.net
Mos-Sam	Mrs. Parker	Erin.Parker@WashoeSchools.net
San-Z	Mrs. Parnell	Brandy.Parnell@WashoeSchools.net

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COURSE SELECTION PROCESS

**COMPLETE
ONLINE
REGISTRATION
BY MARCH 6**

**READ THROUGH
THE COURSE
CATALOG**



**TALK WITH
TEACHERS
ABOUT CORE
CLASSES**

**COMPLETE AND
TURN IN COURSE
REQUEST FORM**

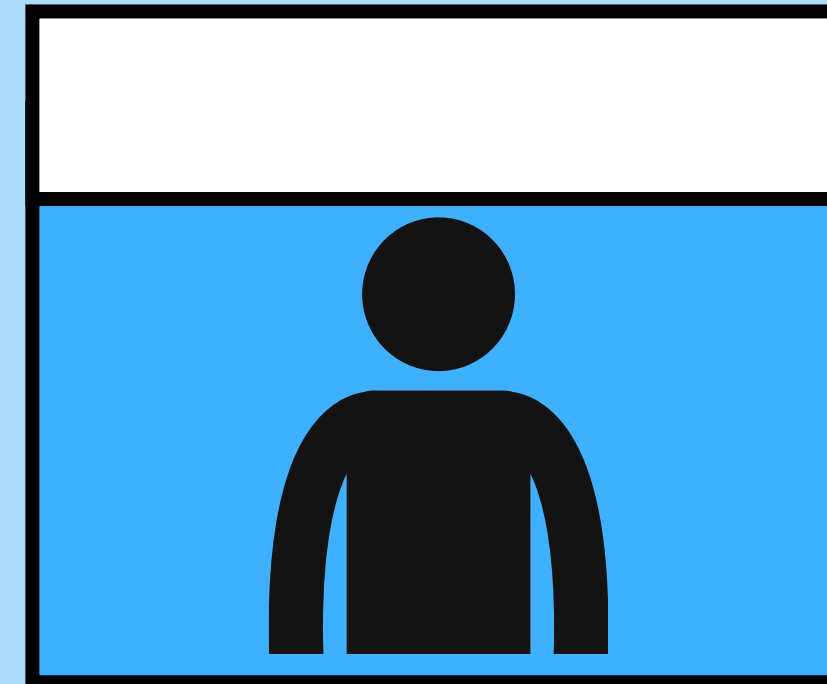
**THE FIRST STEP IS FOR THE PARENT/GUARDIAN TO
COMPLETE ONLINE REGISTRATION THROUGH INFINITE
CAMPUS. [CLICK HERE](#) TO REGISTER. COURSE REQUESTS
WILL NOT BE ENTERED UNTIL ONLINE REGISTRATION IS
COMPLETED. THE DUE DATE FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION
COMPLETION IS MARCH 6, 2026.**

**MOST
IMPORTANT STEP**



SCHEDULE CHANGE REQUESTS

If you change your mind about your course selections after you have turned in your Course Request Form, you only have until Friday, June 5, 2026 to request changes. To do so, [email your McQueen counselor](#) to discuss your request.



AFTER JUNE 5, 2026 STUDENTS ARE ONLY ALLOWED TO MAKE SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- **THE STUDENT HAS BEEN PLACED INTO THE WRONG LEVEL OF A SUBJECT**
- **THE STUDENT HAS ALREADY RECEIVED CREDIT IN THE COURSE FOR WHICH ENROLLED (I.E., COMPLETION OF A CREDIT IN SUMMER SCHOOL)**
- **THE STUDENT MUST DROP AN ELECTIVE COURSE IN ORDER TO TAKE A REQUIRED COURSE, OR IN ORDER TO RE-TAKE A REQUIRED COURSE THAT WAS NOT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED**
- **THE STUDENT HAS AN INCOMPLETE OR OVERFILLED SCHEDULE**

FIVE TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Organization: Use a planner that works for you (i.e., a paper planner, the notes function on a cell phone, reminders, etc.)
- Stay Updated: Check Infinite Campus on a regular basis (students and families)
- Stay Informed: Take notes in class; ask questions!
- Homework Routine: Keep the same routine each night in a quiet and organized space
- Communicate: Talk with your teachers during class, over email, or on Microsoft Teams

STUDENT CLUBS

- Drama, Guitar, Black Student Union, Lacrosse
- National Honor Society, Mountain Biking
- World Language, Knights & Ladies, and many more!

MUSIC AND THEATER

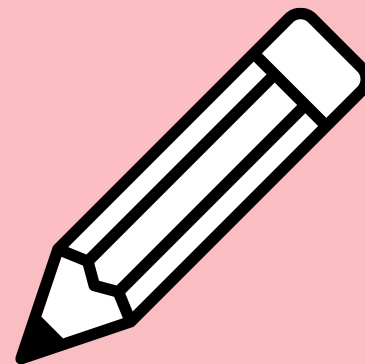
- Choir
- Band
- Orchestra
- Theatre
- Piano
- Guitar



GET INVOLVED

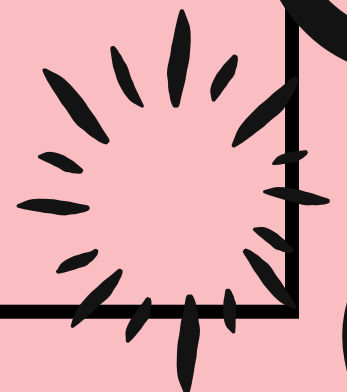
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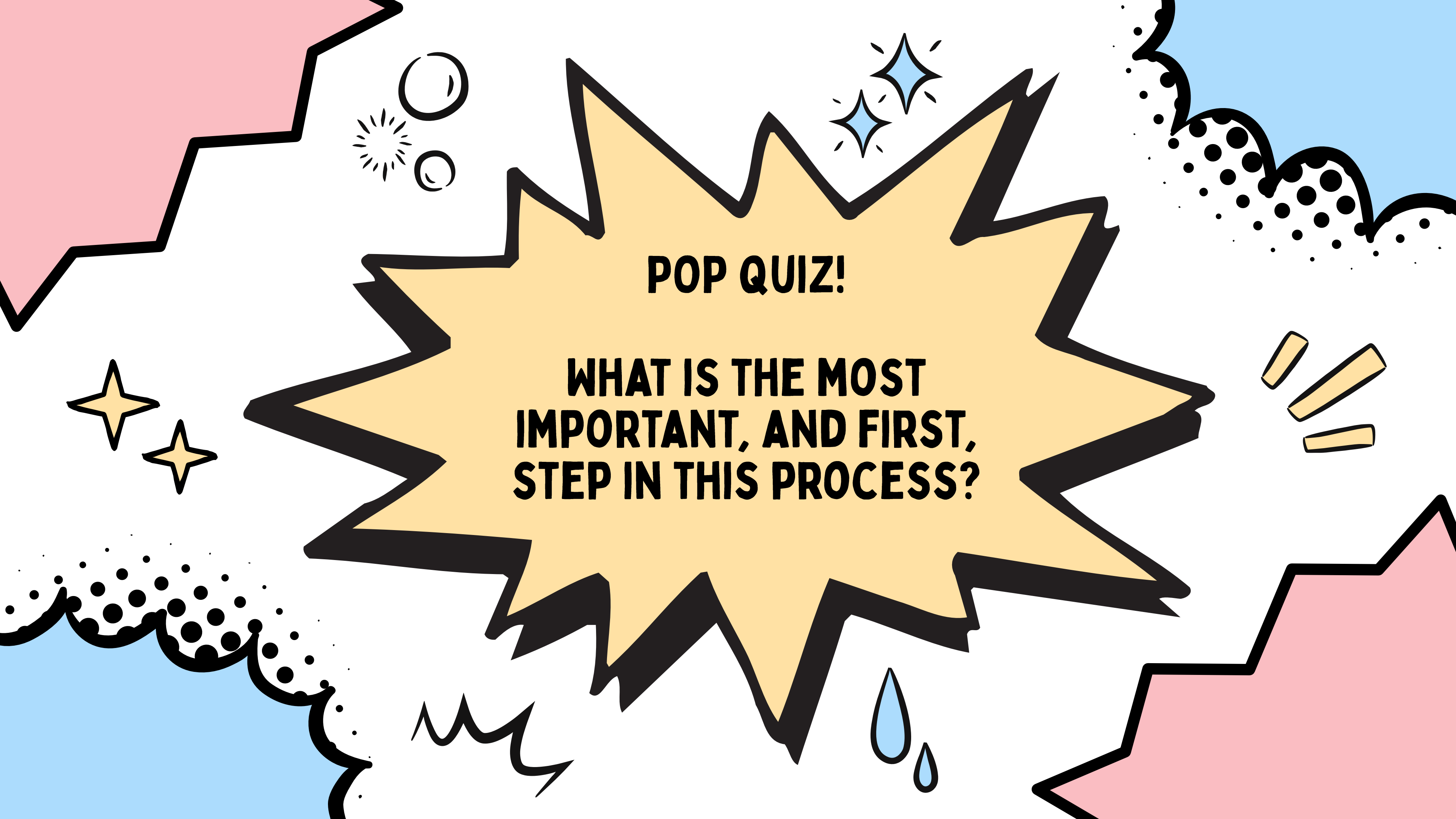
- Football, Baseball, Soccer, Swimming
- Softball, Volleyball, Golf, Wrestling
- Basketball, Tennis, Ski, and many more!



AND MUCH MORE...

- Student Leadership
- Volunteer Opportunities





POP QUIZ!

**WHAT IS THE MOST
IMPORTANT, AND FIRST,
STEP IN THIS PROCESS?**

QUESTIONS?

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D-Ho	Mrs. Schweickert	tschweickert@washoeschools.net	
Hp-Mor	Ms. Smith	kmsmith@washoeschools.net	
Mos-Sam	Mrs. Parker	erin.parker@washoeschools.net	
San-Z	Mrs. Parnell	brandy.parnell@washoeschools.net	