

Do you want to be a successful student?

Here are some ways to be successful in school!

BE ORGANIZED:

- ✓ Use an assignment notebook (Husky Planner)
- ✓ Have a separate folder for each class
- ✓ Have phone numbers for classmates in case you have questions
- ✓ Keep your back pack organized and neat
- ✓ Get organized for the next day before you go to bed

MANAGE TIME:

- ✓ Use free class time to get started on home work
- ✓ Break large projects or assignments into smaller parts
- ✓ Set specific time aside each day for home work (ex. 4-6 PM)

BE SUCCESSFUL IN THE CLASSROOM:

- ✓ Learn how to adapt to different teaching styles
- ✓ Be in school, on time, everyday!
- ✓ Have all materials you need for each class, with you
- ✓ Always do your homework
- ✓ Participate in class
- ✓ Be an active group member on group assignments
- ✓ Treat others with respect
- ✓ Do extra credit when ever possible

TAKE GOOD NOTES:

- ✓ Be an active listener
- ✓ Compare your notes with classmates and see if yours are similar
- ✓ Recognize key points, repeat words or information, and write it down
- ✓ Take notes that are easy to read-type them up (another way to reinforce information)
- ✓ Get lecture notes if you are absent

KNOW HOW TO READ A TEXT BOOK:

- ✓ First, scan the assignment
- ✓ Then, read the assignment
- ✓ Finally, review by scanning the assignment again

STUDY SMART:

- ✓ Find a good place to study (at a desk, kitchen table, library, college campus)
- ✓ Organize your study time
- ✓ Prioritize your work (hard assignments first, while you are still alert)
- ✓ Use tricks to help you memorize things (flash cards, codes, or acronyms)

USE TEST-TAKING STRATEGIES:

- ✓ Have everything you need for the test
- ✓ Before you start, look over the entire test
- ✓ Mark the questions that you want to return to
- ✓ First, do the questions that you are sure about
- ✓ Check all of your answers
- ✓ Use all available time

More ways to be successful in school... and life!
Ways to get involved and make the most of High School!

FRIENDS:

- ✓ Spend time with friends
- ✓ Make new friends (go to lunch with classmates you just met, join clubs and activities)
- ✓ Attend school events (dances, assemblies, presentations, etc.)

TRY SOMETHING NEW:

- ✓ Take a class that you've never shown interest in (creative writing, ceramics, justice and society)
- ✓ Join a club or other school activity
- ✓ Try out for a sport, drama production, etc.

HAVE ACTIVITIES TO PUT ON AN APPLICATION:

- ✓ Have hobbies or other interests to talk about (swimming, poetry, reading, music, travel)
- ✓ Volunteer your time for a worthy cause
- ✓ Get a job at a place of career interest or where you believe you can improve occupational skills

FEEL CONNECTED TO YOUR SCHOOL:

- ✓ Hang out with your teachers at lunch
- ✓ Become a Teacher's Assistant
- ✓ Participate in Spirit Week and school related productions/activities
- ✓ Do campus clean up, make your school clean and appealing

BECOME A LEADER:

- ✓ Join Leadership/Student Council
- ✓ Take the path less traveled on
- ✓ Make decisions that favor the societal norm (fight peer pressure when it comes to doing something illegal or not in your best interest)-"would I do this if my grandma were watching"

RELIEVE STRESS:

- ✓ Exercise and eat healthy food choices
- ✓ Talk with a friend(s)
- ✓ Run/Dance/Sing like no one is watching
- ✓ Talk to your parents, counselor, teachers, or responsible community member

HAVE FUN:

- ✓ Participate in school activities
- ✓ Hang out with friends on the weekends (go to the movies, have slumber-parties, go to dances, etc.)
- ✓ Make good, healthy choices that shape your future
- ✓ Use resources and available services to make things easier for you (tutoring, counseling, career and college center, teachers, peers, etc.)

Life is a balance....
of responsibilities, endurance, tolerance, adaptation, friends, family
and FUN!