

CROSSROADS 9

High School is different from Middle School because;



- MORE HOMEWORK
- MORE CLASSES
- MORE PEOPLE
- CLASSES ARE MORE DIFFICULT
- GRADES START COUNTING FOR COLLEGE
- YOU HAVE MORE RESPONSIBILITIES
- MORE CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES TO JOIN
- SPORTS HAVE LONGER PRACTICES
- GAMES ARE AT LATER TIMES
- CLASSES ARE LONGER
- TEACHERS EXPECT MORE OF YOU
- PROJECTS ARE MORE DIFFICULT



SOME GOALS I MIGHT HAVE FOR THIS YEAR COULD INCLUDE:



- CREATE A STUDY GROUP
- GET INVOLVED IN CLUBS
- GET INVOLVED IN SPORTS
- GET INVOLVED IN STUDENT GOVERNMENT
- SET UP A SCHEDULE TO DO HOMEWORK
- ORGANIZE A STUDY SPACE AT HOME
- MEET NEW FRIENDS
- USE AN AGENDA BOOK OR DATE BOOK
- WRITE DOWN ALL HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS
- MEET WITH TEACHERS WHEN NEEDED
- PARTICIPATE IN CLASS DISCUSSIONS
- EXPLORE DIFFERENT CAREER OPTIONS
- EXPLORE DIFFERENT EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

Write at least 3 goals for this year:
(i.e. personal, academic, organizational)

Name a goal you have accomplished:

How did you accomplish it?-----

What do you need to do to accomplish your goals for this year?-----



STUDY TIME!

It's important to learn good organizational and planning skills now! Keep a planning notebook to help balance your schedule. Use the chart below to fill in your assignments.

Assignment	Date Due	Days until due	Estimated Hours Needed	# of days you will work on it	# of hours per day
ex. Science Project	Oct. 10	16	8	4	2
1. What must be done?	2. When is it due?	3. How many days do you have to work on it?	4. How long will the assignment take?	5. Plan when you will work on the assignment.	6. Plan enough time to get it done.

Mark the answers true or false.

___ 1. It is best to wait until the last minute to do an assignment. (Most people work well under pressure)

___ 2. Large assignments should be broken into several small parts.

___ 3. Homework should be done as soon as possible after class while the subject is still fresh.

___ 4. More difficult homework should be done first.



___ 5. It is OK to keep changing your home work and study times.

___ 6. Homework should be done while you talk on the phone.

___ 7. Assignments will seem easier if you allow enough time to complete them.

___ 8. Most people who get good grades also have good organizational skills.

___ 9. Planning is not something that you use in your future.

___ 10. You should prioritize your activities.

Library

Lingo

Get to know the resources in your library. Match the correct letter from each description to the correct term below. Then visit your library to become familiar with the resources.

1. ____ Encyclopedias

2. ____ Almanacs

3. ____ Dictionaries

4. ____ Indexes & Abstracts

5. ____ Atlases

6. ____ Directories

7. ____ Professional Journals

8. ____ The Internet

9. ____ Computer Databases

10. ____ The Librarian



A. Lists of books, pamphlets, magazine articles and other documents, usually arranged by subject and author

B. These books have short definitions of words and phrases arranged alphabetically

C. Books with facts about specific topics that are published yearly

D. A specifically trained professional who is at the library to help you

E. Collections of information that can be accessed by the computer

F. Contains additional information and resources, known as the world wide web

G. Collections of maps and geographical data

H. Comprehensive summaries of information in various fields arranged alphabetically by volumes

I. Special interest listings of people, services, and events arranged alphabetically (ex. Phone book)

J. A collection of articles published by professionals on various topics, usually published monthly or quarterly

CAREER

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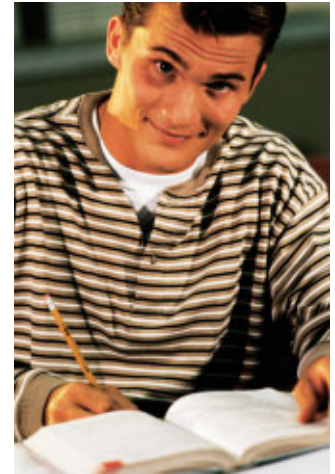
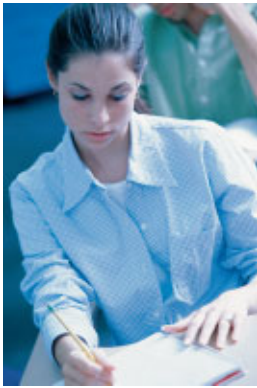
2. _____ are symbols of achievement for skills and talents.

4. _____ exploration means looking at a variety of careers and educational options.

5. Someone who employs you is called the _____.

8. Usually, people with a higher _____ have more available job choices.

12. Many employers only require that you fill out a job _____ to apply for a position.



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1. _____ are specific attributes that employers want in an employee.

3. _____ experience is the time that you have spent working at a job.

4. Having good _____ skills means that you can express your ideas clearly in verbal and written forms.

6. Having good time _____ skills means that you know how to use your time efficiently.

7. A _____ is a summary of your education and work experience that you submit for a job.

9. If you are motivated to do your best and try new things you are _____.

10. Many employers schedule a personal _____ to learn more about you before you are hired.

11. _____ means working well with others.

13. Career _____ means thinking about your career path in your future.

14. Doing something on your own means taking the _____.

