

# Being a Bruin:

Registration information for 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

# Welcome to South High

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Counselors will visit CBE on January 19 to provide registration information (they should bring this home)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade conferences with CBE counselors in January & February
- Counselors will visit CBE on March 1 to register for classes
- Verification sheets will be sent home with 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report cards.

\* Parent Notes will be on slides with this style background

## On Being a Bruin:



- More Choices
  - Course Selections
  - Activities
  - Social Opportunities
- More Independence
  - No Teams/Houses
- More Responsibilities
  - Make Good Choices

## On Being a Bruin:



- High School is a Time of Change
  - Self, Peers
  - Courses
- Schoolwork Will Be More Challenging
  - Learn New Ways to Succeed
- New People, New Pressures
  - There are Lots of People Who Will Help

# Transitioning to South

- ▶ No longer in Teams
  - Changed communication, structure
- ▶ Lockers will be in Alphabetical Order
  - All grade levels mixed
- ▶ Electives may have upper classmen in them
- ▶ More Activities - **GET INVOLVED!**

# Transitioning to South

- ▶ School day: Periods 1 through 8
  - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 7:45-3:30,
  - Wednesday: 8:30-3:30
- ▶ Personal Learning Device
  - Responsibility
  - AUP violations - restrictions
- ▶ Resource Centers-Intervention Room
- ▶ Test Center
- ▶ Final Exam Schedule

# Transitioning to South

## Increased Expectations

- Independent Homework
- Time Management
- Commitment to Activities, Coursework
- Daily Attendance is Critical
- Appointments procedure
- Technology (Daily Planner, Power School, assignments)

# Meet Your Counselor



A-E

Laurie  
Schlenker



# Meet Your Counselor



F-K  
Heidi  
Fiechtner

# Meet Your Counselor



L-Q  
Vanessa  
Boehm

# Meet Your Counselor



R-Z  
Adrienne  
Eider

# Using the Program of Studies



- Course titles, descriptions, locations
- Prerequisites
- Required vs. Elective
- Credit (Semester = .5 credit)
- Graduation requirements
- ND Scholarship Requirements

# Graduation Requirements

All Students Will Graduate



- 4 credits English
- 3 credits Social Studies
- 3 credits Math
- 3 credits Science
- 1.5 credits P.E.
- .5 credit Health
- 3 credits World Language, Fine Arts, Career and Technical Education
- 6 credits Electives
- **24 Total Credits Required**
- ND Civics Exam

# Suggested College Prep



- 4 credits English
- 3+ credits Math – Algebra 1+
- 3+ credits Lab Science
- 2 credits Fine Arts
- 2 credits World Language
  - Not all colleges require
- These are minimum suggestions for selective 4 year schools. Check with the school admissions office for specific information
- Missing requirements may limit future options
- NDUS admission

# Other Options



- Community College Programs
- Technical Programs
- Military
- Apprenticeships
- Workforce

# The “Perfect” Schedule



- A balance between
  - Minimum and Maximum Credits
  - Six Credit Minimum Load
  - Academics, Athletics, and Activities
  - Mastery and Continuation
  - Interests and Future Plans



# Important Schedule Consideration

- ▶ We do not recommend a 7.5 or 8 credit load
  - This is too much for nearly all students
  - Does not allow adequate time to study
  - Remind your learner that quality trumps quantity
- ▶ Most students should take 6-7 credits
  - Plan on a study hall
- ▶ Permanent record (Transcript) begins now
- ▶ Consider the COMBINATION of obligations
  - In and out of school
  - Activities, Athletics, Community, Family, Work, Etc.

# The “Perfect” Schedule



- NCAA/NAIA Eligibility Requirements
- Co-op, Volunteer Service, Music Composition and Summer School are not part of minimum credit load
- Prerequisites
  - Math
  - Science
  - English

# Typical Schedule



- English 1
- Math
- Physical Science
- World Cultures/AP Human Geography
- Fitness for Life & Health
- Electives – 1.5-2 credits
- Study Hall

MTSS



## Multi-Tier System of Support

- A Pathway to Success
- Based on MAP and other scores
- Placements are made
- May be 2 hours of English and/or Math
- Right class for best results

# Additional Considerations

- ▶ World Language - Lots of options (1 vs. 1B ?)
- ▶ Music - Concurrent requirements
- ▶ Art - Different options
- ▶ Career interests
  - Tech Ed, Health Careers, Computers, Manufacturing, Engineering, Business, Marketing, FACS
    - Cass County Career and Technical Education Center (CCCTEC)
- ▶ Watch prerequisites, plan for future course wants

# Make Good Selections



- **NO** Schedule Changes
- We build the schedule around your selections
- Year-long classes cannot be dropped at semester
- We honor your requests, you will be expected to honor them, too

# What's Next?

- ▶ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Conference at CBE:
  - 4 year plan
  - Choose classes for 9<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Sign registration folder

# What's Next?



- Class input is March 1 at CBE
- CBE counselors will have your Registration Folder
- Selections will be made during your 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Conference
  - Teachers can also be very helpful when deciding on courses



Looking  
Ahead



- Verification Sheet
  - Mailed with Q3 report cards
  - Follow directions for changes
- Semester 2 Failures

# Summer Opportunities



- Trollwood (no credit)
- Summer School
  - Academy, PE, Health, BTW
- Volunteer Service
- Others

# Summer School



- Session 1 – June 5-25
- Session 2 – June 26-July 19
- Fitness for Life, Health, and Behind the Wheel, & Summer Academy are the only options available for incoming freshmen
- Registration begins February 1<sup>st</sup> and closes May 15<sup>th</sup>
  - [www.fargosummerschool.com](http://www.fargosummerschool.com)
- Attendance is critical (7.5 hours < 2 days)
- See your Counselor if plans change
  - Contact South if plans change after May 15<sup>th</sup>

# Looking Ahead: August Orientation

- ▶ Appointment letters sent in July
- ▶ Large group meeting with administration
  - Expectations, policies, etc.
- ▶ Orientation meeting with Counselor
  - Parents and student
- ▶ Receive schedule, lockers, tour campus, find classes
  - Get comfortable

See You at  
South High!

Be a Bruin!