

Transfer Parent Orientation
August 25, 2009/1:45 – 3:00 P.M.
CCRC

I. Welcome and Introduction to the Session

Amy Bricker, Department Chair

II. Counseling Department

Staff

Role of a Counselor

Programs

III. Speakers

Audris Griffith, Principal

Kevin Marsh, Dean

Maralyn Kolze, Nurse

Michelle Freedom, Social Worker

Robert Ruiz, Athletic Director

Brian Verisario, Student Activities

IV. School Tour

Deerfield High School Counselors

Jeff Beaumont

Jenni Casale

Cathy Cratty

Glynis Hirsch

Marybeth Kravets

Soo Lee

Ed Saleniek

Cheryl S

Deerfield High School Counseling Department Programs for Parents/Guardians

Sophomore, Junior, Senior Parent Meetings

The counseling website will offer virtual meetings throughout the year. You can view the video online at your convenience. There will also be informative meetings offered by the College and Career Resource Center (CCRC) – see the Counseling Program Calendar.

Freshman AM Parent/Guardian Meetings

There are many topics and issues, which are common to all parents of freshmen. To respond to these issues in a personal, interactive way, the counseling staff will hold a series of four meetings. The meetings will be one hour in length and cover the topics most often asked by the parents/guardians of freshmen. We will allow time for questions of a general interest nature and stay a while afterwards to respond to particular issues. All meetings will begin at **9:30 a.m.** and will be held in **Room J108**. Please contact your student's counselor with any questions regarding these morning programs.

Wednesday, September 2nd

Attendance Procedures, progress notices, website information, transition issues, meeting the school nurse, social worker and the Student Activities Director

Wednesday, November 4th

Report cards, final exams, four year planning, resource centers, how to contact teachers

Wednesday, January 6th

Building a sophomore schedule, summer school information, registration process, final exam schedule

Wednesday, April 7th

Course verification, work permits, preparing for sophomore year, career cruising, book buy-back

Transition to High School: The Life of a DHS Freshman

Please join the Deerfield High School Social Workers for what will be a productive conversation about the freshman year experience. Social Workers and Senior Advisors will focus on the issues freshmen experience as they make the transition into the larger, more challenging, and exciting world of the high school environment. A few of the topics to be addressed include:

- The transition from junior high to high school
- What is typical behavior for a freshman?
- What are the academic expectations at DHS?
- How can students balance the academic, extra-curricular and social demands of high school?

“Transition to High School: The Life of a DHS Freshmen” will be presented in the **North Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2009**. We look forward to seeing you there! If you have any questions about this program, please contact Michelle Freedman (224-632-3051).

First Day of School Schedule- Wednesday, August 26, 2009

Homeroom	8:10-8:45 am
Period 1	8:50-9:05 am
Period 2	9:10-9:25 am
Period 3	9:30-9:45 am
Period 4	9:50-10:05 am
Period 5	10:10-10:25 am
Period 6	10:30-10:45 am
Period 7	10:50-11:05 am
Period 8	11:10-11:25 am

*Please note: Early Bird classes will **not** meet on the first day of school.*
The regular school schedule will be in effect on Thursday, August 27th.

*SENIORS: There will be a mandatory large group meeting with Counselors after 8th period. Important information and procedures for college applications will be discussed.

Bus Schedule

Bus routes are posted on the DHS website.

Wednesday, August 26, 2009

All buses depart at 11:35 am

Bus will use the 3:25 pm route

Buses will leave from the Front Circle Drive

If you have questions regarding transportation:

Contact Rob Weiler at rweiler@dist113.org or 224-765-1040

Student Pick-up

Parents can pick up students in the back parking lot. For safety reasons, please do not cut through the parking lot aisles or drop off/pick up in the front lot.

School Information

Deerfield High School strongly encourages parents to use the District 113 and Deerfield High School websites to gather current information on bus schedules, special events, calendars, schedules, organizations, activities and policies.

District 113 website <http://www.dist113.org>

Deerfield High School <http://www.dist113.org/dhs/>

Counseling Department <http://www.dist113.org/dhs/depts/counseling/index.htm>