

April/May 2017

Dear Sophomore Parents and Guardians,

The **fourth quarter progress report grades** are being entered this week! The school year is almost to an end. So check your student's Schoology to help them finish sophomore year strong! **Communicate now** with teachers if you have any questions or concerns about specific assignments or grades while there is still time to make corrections.

I have met with students needing to make up a graduation requirement in **summer school** based on grades from freshmen year and fall of sophomore year. I will be checking grades issued this week to have a conversation to any additional students who may need to attend summer school. Summer school offers LA, science and social studies for credit recovery. It will be held at RHS this year! Registration forms are due no later than May 19th. It will run from June 19th to July 14th. If your sophomore no longer has their form, please note summer school registration forms are available in the counseling center (on the big round desk) for students to pick up.

The **sophomores will be working in Naviance in their LA 2 classes** as they prepare for their Career Research presentations. Please take some time to have a conversation with your sophomore about their Naviance career interest survey results. You may want to go onto the program together to look at the information available to students with their results. Also, this is a great time to start looking at the **College Super Match** program on Naviance. If you are planning a trip and have an opportunity to take a tour of campus at a college of interest, you may want to look at the list of questions to ask a college representative (see attached).

**Community service** forms are available online and at either the counseling center or the College and Career Center. This is the time to turn in any community service hours your student has completed. You may want to download a form for summer community service as well! Remember after this summer, students will only be able to turn in hours earned during the school year when the service was completed – no more going back to freshmen year to turn in “old” community service hours. **All sophomores should be close to completing their 25 hours of community service hours needed to graduate.**

I believe **all of the current sophomores have selected their courses for junior year**. We are receiving lists from the VAPA teachers for student placement into their music, vocals and dance classes from students who auditioned for higher level courses. In addition, the ASB elections are complete and we have been calling down students to fit ASB into their schedule. The master schedule is updated regularly so if there are any concerns the counselors will call students down individually. Remind your student to keep an eye on their Rocklin High School email address as this is where I will contact them about questions regarding their course selections.

**AP testing will take place the first two weeks of May.** Please make sure if your student is taking an AP test that he/she is organized and getting the rest needed to have a positive experience. This means your student needs:

- To avoid the all-nighter studying for an AP test (or any test for that matter).
- A good night's sleep
- Eat a healthy breakfast
- Have all supplies ready the day before- extra batteries for any calculator needed, extra pencils and erasers

- Wear comfortable clothing (with the dress code in mind). Also, realize the rooms are large and may be a bit cooler than the classroom – you might want to bring a sweater or sweatshirt to the test
- Arrive early to the test site
- Maintain a positive attitude

With spring fast approaching (or we hope the warm weather is fast approaching), we want to **remind our students of our current dress code policy**. While there have been no changes to our dress code, we want to provide some clarification and reminders as the weather changes. The dress code can be found on page 20 of the student planner.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: [hcarr@rocklin.k12.ca.us](mailto:hcarr@rocklin.k12.ca.us) or call 916.632.1600x6111.

Sincerely,  
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