Welcome to the 8th Grade Parent Meeting

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Presented by Spring Lake High School Counseling Department
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Trimester Schedule

- 3 Trimesters/12 weeks
- 5 Classes per day/72 minutes
- 7:40 – 2:35
  1\textsuperscript{st} lunch: 10:11-10:41
  2\textsuperscript{nd} lunch: 11:29-11:59
- 15 Classes per year
Class of 2026 Requirements

- English: 4.0
- Math: 4.0
- Science: 3.0
- Social Studies: 3.0
- Test Prep: 0.5
- Fitness/Health: 1.0
- Fine Arts: 1.0
- Foreign Language: 2.0
- Electives: 9.0

Total Number of Credits: 27.5
Completing the Four Year Plan

• Used as educational/career planning guide
• Lists required and elective classes
• Used as an opportunity to plan next four years
• Updated yearly
Transcript Information

- History of student’s academic performance
- Course names
- Grades and credits earned
- Test scores
- GPA
- Class Rank
Report Card/Progress Report

- Sample Schedule
- Report cards (transcripts) emailed at the end of every trimester
- Receive updates via email once a week
- Log onto system anytime to check grades
- Go to website to sign up to receive correspondence via email
Schoology

Schoology is a Learning Management System for teachers to use when planning courses, engaging students, and assigning work.

Schoology provides students with resources to connect with teachers from home.
College Admissions

• **Transcript Information**
  GPA, class rank, course selection, trends

• **High School Testing**
  ACT & SAT

• **Extracurricular Activities**
  Community service, theater, student council, athletics, etc.

• **Recommendations**
  Counselors, teachers, clergy, supervisors

• **Essays**
Extra Curricular Activities

• Encourage students to participate
• Provide variety of experiences
• Impact college/work application process
• Student contact advisor for more information
Early College

- Eligibility Criteria (must meet one of the three):
  (1) Low income (free/reduced lunch)
  (2) First generation college student (parents did not earn a college degree)
  (3) Minority student
- Earn two years worth of college credits at no cost
- High school and college courses are blended
- Courses are taken during the junior, senior and "13th" year
- The "13th" year consists of mainly college courses
- Students will walk with their class
- Eligible to participate in athletics through grade 12
Careerline Tech Center

- 28 programs offered
  http://www.oaisd.org/ctc/
- Junior and/or senior Year
- College credit opportunities available
- Open house in fall and winter

"Careerline Tech Center prepares students for tomorrow's workforce by providing career and technical education for employment and post-secondary opportunities while promoting life-long learning and personal success."
College Credit Opportunities

As mentioned….

• Careerline Tech Center
• Early College

College Credit can also be earned through…

• Advanced Placement (“AP”) Courses
• Dual Enrollment - College course(s) part of HS schedule
  Set dollar amount allotted toward tuition/books
  Typically for the junior/senior year
• See high school website for program details
Enrollment Information
(for students that did not attend Spring Lake Middle School)

**Spring Lake Residents**
Email Penny Zacek for the enrollment link.
pzacek@springleakeschools.org

**Non-Residents**
Complete the non-resident application online on the district’s website [https://www.springleakeschools.org/](https://www.springleakeschools.org/)

The enrollment window is May 11 – June 7
Notified by June 22
Upcoming Dates

• **Feb 21st** - Mass Meeting with 8th Graders at Middle School

• **Feb 24th** - In 8th grade classrooms assisting students with entering course selections

• **August 2022** - Smart Start