Freshmen Warrior Time

- Warrior Time (35 mins.), time to meet with teachers, finish homework, learn more about Willowbrook and help transition into high school
- Develop problem-solving skills to improve academic achievement and social relationships
- Seek additional help from peer tutors
- Students can access WT Resources by asking their teacher for a pass in advance.
New Beginnings (Peer Mentor Program)

- 80 Upperclassmen volunteer to work with the freshmen class
- Improve the freshmen experience by feeling more connected to high school
- Inform freshmen about how to get involved in their high school experience
- Build positive relationships
- Learn from upperclassmen that have shared similar experiences
- Answer questions from a student perspective
## Graduation Requirements

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<td>✔ Speech/ Consumer Mngt</td>
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When does my child register for next year’s classes?

✓ All students meet one-on-one with their counselor to select courses for the next school year in January.
✓ Each teacher provides the counselor with recommendations.
✓ It’s important to consider college and career goals when deciding on courses.
✓ A list of the selected courses are mailed home.
✓ Students have until mid-February to change courses for the next school year.
# How to get additional help?

**Academics**
- Communicate with the classroom teacher
- ARC (before/after) school
- MRC (Algebra/Geometry)
- Use Freshmen Warrior Time to meet with teachers
- Use NB Peer Tutors
- Utilize department resources during WT

**Social/ Emotional**
- See School Counselor about resources available
- Social Worker
- School Psychologist
- Outside Resources such as counseling, therapy or rehab facilities
- Phone numbers and email are under “Guidance and Student Services”
How do I sign my child up for Summer School?

- We offer a Credit Recovery Program over the summer, for students that fail a course (sign-up is usually in May and the cost is around $100)
- Credit Recovery also runs during the school year
- College of Dupage offers courses for make-up AND enrichment (sign-up is usually in March)
- Additional summer school courses for enrichment are being approved and more information is to follow
How can my child get more involved in High School?

✔ Check the Willowbrook website for Clubs, Sports and Activities your child can get involved in
✔ Ask New Beginnings Leaders about how to join
✔ Most activities can be joined throughout the year
✔ Sports are broken up into three seasons
✔ Athletic Schedules can be viewed at www.athletics2000.com/willowbrook
When should I begin the college process?

- Freshmen and Sophomore year students should focus on academics and getting off to a good start.
- Summer between Sophomore and Junior year is a good time to start visiting colleges and post secondary options.
- Junior year students and parents should be visiting colleges and attending college parent nights.
- Summer of Senior year students and parents should be determining what institutions they will be applying to.
- Fall of Senior year students should focus on completing applications.
- Winter/Spring of Senior year, complete financial aid application and focus on applying for college scholarships.
1st Semester Final Exams

Bell Schedule

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- Buses run the first 2 testing periods and the last 2 testing periods.
- Lunches, Warrior Times and Study halls do not meet.
- Counselors can adjust a students schedule if they have 3 final exam schedules in one day.
- FINAL EXAMS are 20% of the semester grade.
Upcoming Events

- Parent-Teacher Conferences - Oct. 4th and 5th (4:00-7:30)
- Curriculum Showcase - Thursday, Jan. 25th 6:30pm
- Freshmen Registration - January 23rd - January 26th
How can I, as a parent, get more involved?

✓ Check the Willowbrook Website (calendar, presentations, scholarships, etc.)
✓ Check PowerSchool for grades and missing assignments
✓ Attend Parent-Teacher Conferences (Oct. 7th 3:00-5:30 and Oct. 8th 4:00-7:30)
✓ Attend Parent Programming Presentations
✓ Counselors can not retrieve PowerSchool passwords but we can reset them
✓ Email or call teachers and/or counselors with questions or concerns.
How do I sign up for Parent-Teacher Conferences?

- Conferences are on Wednesday, October 5th and Thursday, Oct. 6th.
- Parents should have received a mailing and can sign up now!
- Remember that you only have 5 minutes to meet with a teacher/counselor.
- You can register for conferences online by going to: www.dupage88.net, "Parents," and then "Parent Teacher Conference Sign-up"
Parent-Teacher Conferences continued.

- Parent View
- Select Language (English or Spanish)
- Click on Guardian & Parents
Parent-Teacher Conferences continued.

✓ Enter the e-mail address you used to sign up for “Nucleus” and the password you selected during registration.

✓ If you forget your password you can enter your email address and have the password sent to you.
Parent-Teacher Conferences continued.

- Select “Conference Schedule”
Parent-Teacher Conferences continued.

- Select the DAY and then TIME you want to begin scheduling conferences.
- Deans and Counselors can be selected below the schedule.
- You can unselect a teacher you do not want to conference with.
- Select “Build Your Schedule Now”