

# PARENT PRESENTATION



### **OVERVIEW**

- PROMOTION & GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- IMPORTANCE OF GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL
- COMMON STRUGGLES
- TIPS TO OVERCOME CHALLENGES

# PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

#### To the 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

- 6 credits
- English 1
- Two core class credits (science, social studies, math)

#### To the 11th Grade

- 12 credits
- English 2
- Science credit
- Math credit
- Social studies credit

#### To the 12th Grade

- 18 credits
- English 3
- Enrolled in remaining graduation requirements

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS  English English I, II, III, IV	# of Credits 4
<b>Mathematics</b> Math I, II, III, and a 4 <sup>th</sup> Math	4
Science Earth /Environmental Science, Biology, Physical Science/ Chemistry/ Physics	3
Social Studies World History, Civics & Economics, American History I & II	4
Health and Physical Education Healthful Living	1
Electives Two must be from CTE/ ART/ or Foreign Language	10
Total required Credits:	26

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# **IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION**

STUDENTS WHO DROP OUT ARE MORE LIKELY THAN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES TO BE UNEMPLOYED, IN POOR HEALTH, LIVING IN POVERTY, ON PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, AND BECOME SINGLE PARENTS WITH CHILDREN WHO DROP OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL.

"GIVING UP IS WAY HARDER THAN TRYING"

## RISK FACTORS FOR DROPPING OUT

- POOR ATTENDANCE
- BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS
- NOT ENGAGED IN SCHOOL
- POOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE/ LOW READING LEVELS
- RETAINED IN THE 9TH GRADE

### **ATTENDANCE TIPS**

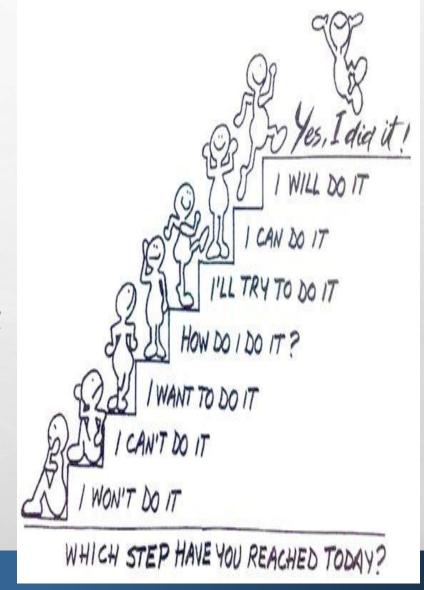
- Talk to your child about school
- Help your teen maintain daily routines
- Try not to schedule appointments during school hours
- Don't let your teen stay home unless they are genuinely sick
- Be aware of your child's social contacts
- Encourage meaningful extracurricular activities
- Set clear parameters about part-time work
- Monitor your child's attendance and school performance

# **BEHAVIOR TIPS**

- COMMUNICATE CLEAR EXPECTATIONS AND CONSEQUENCES
- BE CONSISTENT
- •MAKE TIME TO LISTEN, AND HEAR THEM OUT
- •KNOW YOUR CHILD'S FRIENDS AND THEIR PARENTS
- •BE AWARE OF HOW THEY ARE USING TECHNOLOGY
- •HELP THEM TAKE RESPONSIBILITY AND LEARN FROM THEIR MISTAKES
- •KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS OF BEHAVIOR CONCERNS RELATED TO MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND/OR SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES (more information to come pertaining to this)

# SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT TIPS

- \*BE SUPPORTIVE AND ENCOURAGING, SHOW INTEREST IN THEIR PROGRESS
- \*BE AN EXAMPLE AND EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION
- ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
- \*COME OUT TO OPEN HOUSES, GAMES, AND OTHER SCHOOL EVENTS WITH YOUR STUDENT
- \*HELP THEM FIND THEIR WHY- WHAT IS THEIR GOAL?



### **POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS**

### 4-Year College/University

- UNC system schools require at least a 2.5 GPA
- 2 years of the same foreign language is an admission requirement

#### **Community College**

- Low cost tuition
- Open door admissions
- Opportunity to complete foreign language or math requirements
- Transfer programs to a 4-year university

#### Military

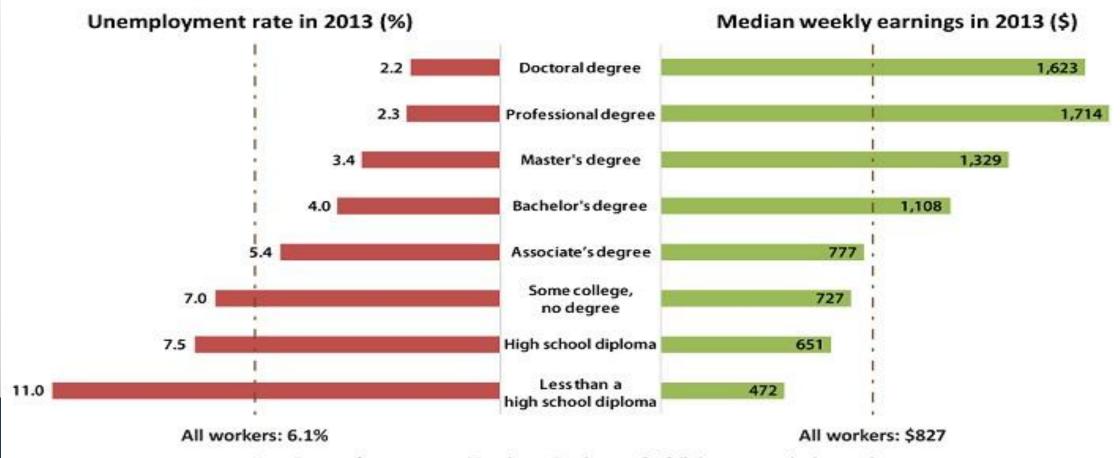
- Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard
- Hundreds of job opportunities within each branch





### **EDUCATION DOES PAY OFF**

#### Earnings and unemployment rates by educational attainment



Note: Data are for persons age 25 and over. Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers. Source: Current Population Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor

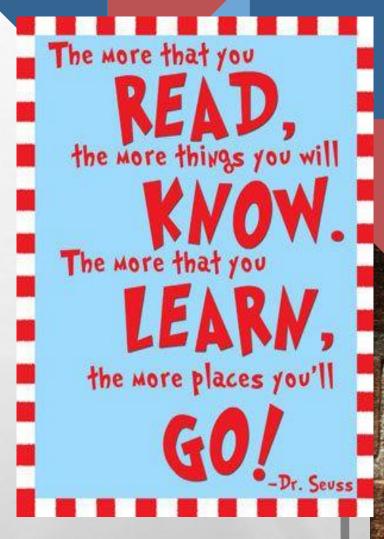
### **ACADEMICS TIPS**

- HELP THEM DEVELOP A PLAN TO STAY ORGANIZED AND MANAGE TIME
- PROVIDE SPACE, TIME, AND MATERIALS FOR STUDENT TO DO WORK AT HOME
- CHECK HOMEWORK
- HELP THEM STUDY
- HELP THEM STAY MOTIVATED- OFFER ENCOURAGEMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGE PROGRESS WITH PRAISE
- TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TEACHABLE MOMENTS
- MONITOR PROGRESS

# **Encourage Students to Read**

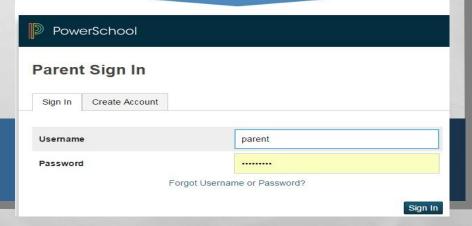
- ✓ Reading improves vocabulary and word fluency
- ✓ Reading exposes students to proper grammar
- ✓ Reading improves writing skills
- ✓ Reading increases brain functions, helping concentration, memory, and creativity

Literacy in high school is more than being able to read and write, it also includes being able to analyze complex texts and solve problems proficiently

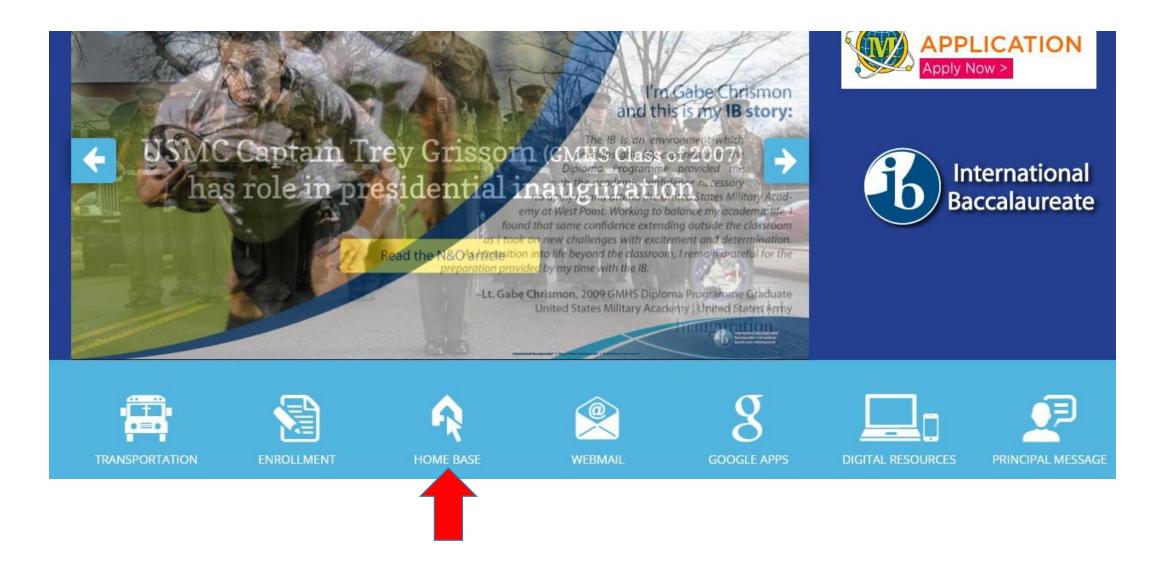


### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

- MAINTAINING COMMUNICATION WITH THE SCHOOL IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS.
- MAKE SURE THE SCHOOL ALWAYS HAS UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION FOR YOU, INCLUDING EMAIL GET AN ONLINE ACCOUNT AND USE IT TO KEEP UP WITH YOUR STUDENT'S GRADES AND ABSENCES
- EMAIL TEACHERS AND COUNSELORS WHEN YOU HAVE QUESTIONS
- MANY TEACHERS HAVE WEBSITES WITH IMPORTANT CLASS INFORMATION, INCLUDING DAILY HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS, POSTED
- KNOW WHEN REPORT CARDS COME OUT
- IF NEEDED, SCHEDULE A PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE



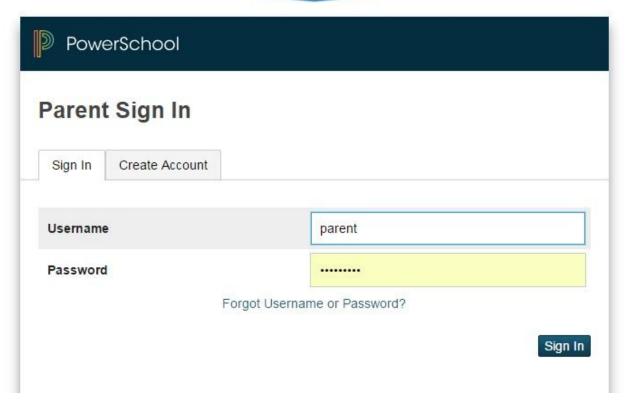
HOME BASE



https://www.wcpss.net/garnerhs

### Log-In Screen





PowerSchool App



**District Code - KNDW** 

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	M	Т	W	Н	F	S	S	M	T	W	Н	F	S	S					18-19	18-19	18-19	18-19
1(A)															NC Math 3 Honors Siemering, Gerald Wayne - Rm: 4126			60 60.48	0	0	0	0
2(A)															Drafting I Harmon, DeNeen - Rm: 1713			84 83.523	1	1	0	0
3(A)															Chemistry Honors Wimberly, Heather Griffin - Rm: 4206			87 86.755	0	0	0	0
4(A)															Visual Arts Beginning Kim, Samuel - Rm: 1013			90 90.156	0	0	0	0
1(B)															Paideia English II Honors Easton, Briana Dyniesa - Rm: 3110			63 62.828	0	0	0	0
2(B)	l.							l.							Paideia Am Hx:Founding Prin,Civics&Econ Harper, Michael T Rm: 3101			92 91.733	0	0	0	0
3(B)															French II Awad, Abeer Ewida - Rm: 2205			88 87.5	0	0	0	0
4(B)															AP Psychology Norris, Jennifer L Rm: 3115			100 100	0	0	0	0

PowerSchool – Quick Lookup homepage Grades, absences, tardies Click on grade (anything blue you may click on)

English IV Honors Exp. 1(A) -	Verstrat, Paul	
Final Letter Grade <sup>1</sup> :	83	
Final Percent:	82.5	
Teacher Comments:		
Section Description:		

Due Date	Category	Assignment	Standard	Score	%	Grd	Codes
11/01/2016	Quizzes	Vocabulary Quiz #4		92/100	92%	92	
11/07/2016	Quizzes	Vocabulary Quiz #5		50/100	50%	50	
11/18/2016	Small Projects & Classwork	Class Work Grade		100/100	100%	100	
11/18/2016	Tests, Papers, Larger Projects	Middle Ages Test		72/100	72%	72	
12/05/2016	Tests, Papers, Larger Projects	Vocabulary Test Unit One		76/100	76%	76	
		Grades last updated on 12/07	7/2016				

Individual class assignments
Last updated
Legend that explains symbols you may see next to grades

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1(A)		51		81		888		555			English IV Honors Verstrat, Paul - Rm: 3312	90 89.95	83 82.5	2	2	0	0	
2(A)						(9.)					American History II Honors Tolerton, Nicholas - Rm: 3422	72 72	576		1	0	0	
3(A)		9		97		353		85		22	Theatre Arts Intermediate Prater, Cheryl R Rm: 1209	96 96	99 99		1	0	0	
4(A-B)											Vocal Music-Special Choral Ensemble Adv. Wanamaker, Sam - Rm: 1141	98 98	95 95	2	2	0	0	
4(A-B)											Vocal Music-Special Choral Ensemble Adv. Wanamaker, Sam - Rm: 1141		579.01	0	0	0	0	
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2(B)	88		87		15		8.		8.		French II Awad, Abeer - Rm: 1461	63 62.95	72 71.6	2	2	0	0	
3(B)	(*)		ä		*		2		23		Advanced Functions & Modeling Ormandy, Tamara Martin - Rm: 2467	82 81.54	67 67.42	1	1	0	0	
												Attendanc	e Totals	10	10	1	1	

Current NC Weighted GPA (Q2): 3.2917

#### **Dates of Attendance**

43

Dates of all absences for English IV Honors Exp. 1(A) (10245X0.4) for 16-17:

- 1. 1(A) 11/09/2016 2A
- 2. 1(A) 12/01/2016 2A

Absences and tardies are in blue, click to see dates.

### **WE ARE HERE TO HELP**

#### What Can Student Services Offer

- Academic Advising
- Individual Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Peer Mediation/ Conflict Management
- Connection to Resources

#### SAP Counselor - Mrs. Creecy

- 504 Contact
- Homeless Liaison
- Mental Health Referrals

- Attendance Issues
- Homebound Contact
- Community Resources

## **INTERVENTION SERVICES**

#### **SERVICES OFFERED:**

- Goal Setting Conferences
- Mentoring
- Peer Tutoring (2nd semester)
- Academic Recovery Plans (2nd semester)
- Classroom Interventions
- Attendance Interventions
- Classroom Student Observation
- Intervention Team Case Managers
- Spring & Summer Boot Camp

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**Intervention Coordinator** 

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### Prevalence of Youth Suicide

#### In the past year, U.S. students report:

- Seriously considered attempting suicide (17%)
- Making a plan about how they would attempt suicide (14%)
- Attempting suicide one or more times (7%)
- Attempting suicide that resulted in an injury, poisoning, or overdose that
- had to be treated by a doctor or nurse (2%)

https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrbs/results.htm

### Suicide in North Carolina

- 2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of death ages 10-24
- On average, 1 person dies by suicide every 6 hours
- 44,193 Americans die by suicide each year
- Guns are used in almost half of suicide deaths
- Girls attempt suicide 3 times as often as boys but boys are 4 times more likely to die by suicide
- 90% of attempts are made at home (70% with parents home)

### Warning Signs that your Child is At-Risk

- Verbal or written threats
- Depression or other forms of mental illness
- Changes in personality
- Changes in eating/sleep habits
- Giving away possessions

### Warning Signs cont'd

- ✓ Withdrawal from family, friends, or usual activity
- Drop in school performance
- Statements or feelings of hopelessness, helplessness or worthlessness
- Use of drugs or alcohol
- Rebellious/risky or defiant behaviors



### What to Do as a Parent

The Key is TALKING TO YOUR CHILD- Adolescence is a time when kids often do not open up as much with their parents. Some tips to get the conversation flowing:

- Ask open-ended questions such as "What was good or bad at school today?"
- Don't rush to solve their problems. Instead, ask your child what he or she thinks would help a situation.
- Be available and make sure your child knows it. A simple "I'll be in my room, if you decide you want to talk later" may help.
- Try talking in the car. The relaxed atmosphere makes it easier for some kids to open up.