Freshman Academy Family Newsletter OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2022

HVA TODAY

FRESHMAN ACADEMY

ACADEMY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the third installment of our Freshman Academy Family Newsletter. Fall always seems to be one of the busiest times of the year, and this year has been no exception. Students have been hard at work academically, and their efforts have yielded steady growth and success. In an effort to support students as they move toward future success throughout high school and beyond, student have continued to engage in opportunities to explore pathways across upper-house academies. In January, students and families will have an opportunity to further explore HVA's pathways together.

This year, HVA will sponsor the first annual Pathway Recruitment Fair through the 865 Academies Initiative. As part of the pathway

selection process, freshman students will have the opportunity to participate in the fair to learn more about each pathway and to engage in conversation with juniors and seniors currently pursuing those pathways. Parents and families will also have the opportunity to learn more about pathways as part of the Parent/Teacher Conference Night in January. These culminating events will then lead into the process of students selecting pathways and registering for classes that align with those pathways as they look forward to their sophomore year.

As we continue our partnership of support this year, I encourage you to ask your student about their pathways of interest, and I invite you to attend the HVA 865 Academies Family Pathway Fair in January to experience the wide-range of diverse pathways we have to offer at HVA. Thank you for your continued support.

-Mrs. Jennifer Vacek Freshman Academy Principal



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*Percentage of Freshman students who have been present at school every school day in October & November, respectively

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday & Friday, December 15 & 16, 2022: Midterm Exams for 7 am, 3rd Block, & 4th Block Classes
- Monday & Tuesday, December 19 & 20, 2022: Midterm Exams for 1st & 2nd Block Classes
- Thursday, December 22, 2022-Friday, January 6, 2023: Winter Break (no school for students)
- Monday, January 9, 2023: First Day of Spring Semester
- Monday, January 16, 2023: MLK Day (no school for student)
- Tuesday, January 17, 2023: Spring Parent/Teacher Conference Night & Pathway Fair, 5:00-7:00 pm

IMPORTANT NEED-TO-KNOWS

News Media Release Permission

Many of our freshmen students have been recognized this year for their great accomplishments, and we will continue to highlight students throughout the school year. If you would like to grant permission for your student to be included in the monthly newsletter and on HVA social media platforms when recognized, please log into Aspen to check your child's current News Media permissions. If the box is marked "No", click HERE to view the form. If you would like to opt in, please complete the form and return it to HVA. To view your child's News Media Permission status:

Log into Aspen→Click "Family" top tab→Click "Details" side tab→Click "News Media Information" top tab→See terms of News Media Release→ "Yes" or "No"

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IMPORTANT NEED-TO-KNOWS CONTINUED

An Overview of the Freshman Seminar College & Career Readiness Standards

Through the Freshman Seminar class, students focus on College & Career Readiness Standards in addition to academic aptitudes, post-secondary interests, and academic pathways. See a comprehensive list of the skills students are working to develop below.

Attendance & Punctuality	Keeps appointments on time (including attending & arriving on time to class), completes assignments on time, and makes up missed work in a prompt manner when absent
Personal Presentation	Exhibits professionalism in the areas of courtesy, appropriate language, and dress
Communication	Reads with understanding, writes with skill, and communicates effectively and responsibly in a variety of ways and settings
Interpersonal Effectiveness	Works effectively with others and contributes productively as a member of a group. Works toward achieving individual and group goals
Quality & Commitment	Gives best effort, evaluates work, and completes work to quality standards
Ethics	Adheres to the ethical use of time, technology, and other resources with regards to property, privacy, and appropriateness

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STUDENT SHOUTOUTS

Congratulations to the following freshmen students for receiving shoutouts during the months of October & November. These students were selected by classroom teachers for their positive contributions to our Freshman Academy student body.

- Nina Akin
- Sullivan Alvarez
- Louis Bell
- William Blair
- Braden Blanton
- Jaylon Carey
- Glendy Cornejo Calderon
- Zoe Cristy
- Breleigh Davis
- Ethan Dunlap
- Wyatt Fellers
- Kaela Fomby
- Gracelynn Fritts
- Matthew Greenwood
- Jacob Haig
- Hayden Hall
- Maya Heath
- Nathaly Huang
- Clayton Jenkins
- Raelyn Miramontez
- Julia Mueller
- Audrey Noyes
- Edward Romero Andrade
- Elliot Ruffner
- Katelyn Seybold
- Ashlyn Storms
- Kami Taylor
- Andrea Torres
- Kya Williams
- Jaxon Woolridge
- Walt Wrather











