

## HVA TODAY

### FRESHMAN ACADEMY

#### ACADEMY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the second installment of our Freshman Academy Family Newsletter. This year, our Freshman Academy Team set out to ensure students were supported socially, emotionally, and academically. Through the Freshman Seminar course, we also aim to support students in the transition to high school and to provide opportunities for students to embark on the important work of self-discovery as they move toward future success in high school and beyond.

As we approach the end of the first quarter, I would like to highlight the progress our students have made in their Freshman Seminar classes. For the past several weeks, every freshman student has engaged in YouScience aptitude assessments which help them identify and understand their unique personalities, strengths, interests, and talents. This process has allowed students to develop a stronger pulse on college and career options that best align with their strengths and interests as they work toward selecting an academic pathway at the end of this school year housed within one of our four upper-house academies: Business & Law, Health Science, Liberal Arts, and STEM.

This week, students have the opportunity to share their discoveries with peers through presentations in their Freshman Seminar classes. We encourage you to ask your student about their aptitudes and post-secondary interests. In the coming months, students will have several additional opportunities to explore post-secondary interests through their Freshman Seminar course. Students will hear from professionals in a variety of career fields, and students will have an opportunity to participate in a Pathway Fair to explore the various pathways HVA has to offer. Be on the lookout for more information regarding this process in the months to come. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

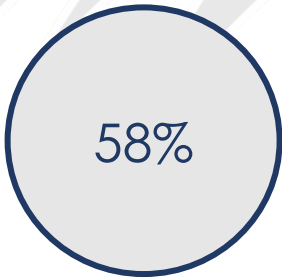
-Mrs. Jennifer Vacek  
Freshman Academy Principal

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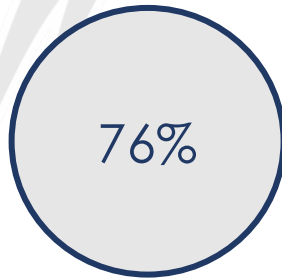
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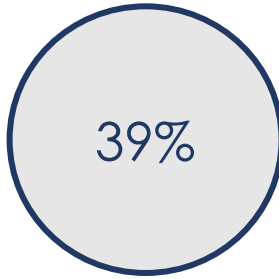
## CURRENT FRESHMEN STATS



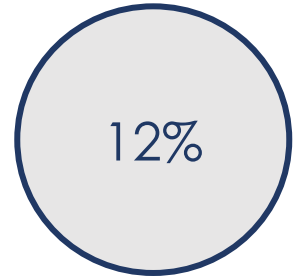
Attendance Rate\*



Passing All Classes



All As & Bs



All As

\*Percentage of Freshman students who have been present at school every school day in September

## IMPORTANT NEED-TO-KNOWS

### An Overview of HVA Pathways of Study

The Pathways of Study are the driver of the Academy structure. At the end of their Freshman year, students select a Pathway which determines their Academy. All Pathways have at least three required courses. Pathway offerings are determined by multiple factors including student interest, advanced coursework options, industry certification opportunities, and community partnerships. At HVA, we offer the following Pathways housed within upper-house Academies. To see coursework details for each Pathways of Study listed below, click [HERE](#).

<b>Business and Law</b> Banking & Finance; Business Management; Criminal Justice; Fire Management Services; Hospitality & Tourism; Journalism; Marketing; Pre-Law; Supply Chain	<b>Health Science</b> Advanced Life Sciences; Cardiovascular Services; Nursing Services; Pharmacology; Sports & Human Performance
<b>Liberal Arts</b> Advanced Linguistics; AP Capstone; Audio/Visual Productions; Cosmetology; Digital Art & Design; Early Childhood Education; Early College Experience; Performing Arts; Teaching as a Profession; Visual Arts	<b>STEM</b> Advanced Mathematics; Advanced Physical Sciences; Architecture; Auto Maintenance & Repair; Coding; Cybersecurity; Electromechanical Technology; Engineering; Environment & Natural Resources Management; Mechanical; Electrical & Plumbing Services; Structural Systems

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monday, October 10-Friday, October 14, 2022: Fall Break (No School)
- Tuesday, October 18, 2022: HVA Fall Parent Conference Night, 5:00-7:00 pm
- Tuesday, October 25, 2022: PSAT/NMSQT (HVA Library—Pre-Registration Required\*)

## STUDENT SHOUTOUTS

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

- Addison Aldrich
- Caleb Bringhurst
- Claudia Cabanzo Polanco
- Scarlett Dapson
- Olivia D'Cruz
- Kaela Fomby
- Ryan Hall
- Anna Maria Holland
- Matthew McMahan
- Wesley Nipper
- Eric Rangel
- Avery Safadi
- Mikayla Shumpert
- Marly Smith

