

9th-12th GRADE RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (Includes incoming 9th graders from FJH)

PACKET PICKUP

August 11 - Seniors 9:00am - 12:00pm; Juniors 12:00 - 4:00pm
August 12 - Sophomores 9:00am - 12:00pm; Freshmen 12:00 - 4:00pm

REGISTRATION TIMES

You may continue to pickup registration folders during registration dates. *You may register multiple children in your family on any given date.*

August 15 - Senior Registration 9:00 - 4:00
August 16 - Junior Registration 9:00 - 4:00
August 17 - Sophomore Registration 9:00 - 4:00
August 18 - Freshmen Orientation 9:00 - 11:00
August 18 - Freshman Registration 9:00 - 2:00; and 6:30 - 7:00

Freshman/New students to district - These students will not receive schedules until after mandatory 7:00 pm meeting. New students must have first registered in the Counseling Center. See website for more information concerning *New Student Registration*. (http://www.fisd.k12.net/parents/register_hs.html)

Department of Mathematics
Friendswood High School

To: Parents of Algebra 1 students

It is exciting, isn't it - the prospect of 36 fun-filled weeks of algebra - an opportunity for lots of quality time and meaningful dialogue with your teenager. While specifics regarding curriculum, grading and classroom rules will be forthcoming during the first week of class; one aspect of the course requires your immediate attention.

Your daughter/son **must have a graphing calculator** for use in the Algebra 1 class. Successful completion of the course is dependent upon (among other things) calculator proficiency. Students will use calculators not only in class, but also for homework and on most tests and quizzes, including the "big one": EOC. We recommend that you purchase a Texas Instrument 84 or 84+ (Note: TI89's and TI 92's are not allowed). These calculators will be sufficient for the rest of high school - all the way through precalculus! Calculators may be purchased at numerous places: Office Max, Office Depot, Target, Walmart, etc. Prices vary, but you should be able to find one for around \$100.

Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated. We are looking forward to your active involvement in your student's education.

Sincerely,
The Algebra 1 Team

Calling all Freshmen! Class of 2014!

Join Us

Thursday August 18th, 2011 at 9:00am-11:00pm

In the Boy's Gym!

Where you will mingle the upper classmen, and get to know them and about FHS!

Get to know a little bit about all the clubs here at the high school!

Sports, Math and Science Club, Student Counsel, HOSA, Chess Club, and MORE!

A tour of the Campus!

W-Gals will perform & Cheerleaders!!

Important New Information for 2011-2012 School Year

Student Code of Conduct

EXCESSIVE ABSENCES/PETITIONING FOR CREDIT/MAKING UP HOURS

All attendance make up hours must be done at Friendswood High School or under the supervision of a staff member. If attendance make up hours or obligations are not turned in or paid for before prom or senior field day, students will not be allowed to participate.

Mustang Manual

Motor Vehicles and Parking

A limited number of parking permits will be available for sophomores, for the natatorium parking lot. Students must show a valid driver's license at the time of purchase.

Dress Code – See new information for 2011-2012 in bold italic below. (#5 & #6)

Philosophy

The Friendswood Independent School District (FISD) maintains dress and grooming standards because it believes that students who dress and groom themselves in a manner considered acceptable and appropriate by the community will become more responsible citizens of the community. FISD believes that the business of school is student learning and that school dress and grooming standards should support that purpose and should also promote a safe, orderly learning environment. Further, FISD believes that one worthwhile goal of a comprehensive education is learning that different situations require different modes of dress and behavior. School is a place of business, not a social club. Therefore, the dress and grooming of a student should reflect the serious intent of one who is going to work with an important job to do. Accordingly, dress and grooming standards should promote a businesslike atmosphere that is comfortable but not too casual, free from disruption, easily enforced by teachers and administrators so as to not take away from instruction, and is easily self-monitored so that students and parents can ensure that the standards are met prior to the student coming to school. Each student and parent shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the standards presented in this Manual.

Parent and Student Responsibility

The parent and student shall be responsible for ensuring that the student is in compliance with all aspects of this Code when the student enters the school premises, and during the time the student is on school premises during regular school hours. Items worn in violation of this Code will be taken up by a school official and returned to the parent if the parent comes to the school and requests the return of the item.

Principal is the Final Authority

The Board delegates to the principal the authority to make final determinations as to whether clothing or grooming is or is not within this Code. The ruling of the building principal regarding compliance or non-compliance with the Dress Code and corresponding consequences assigned for violation of this Code is final, and may not be appealed to the Superintendent, his designee, or the Board. In keeping with the FISD belief statements, each person is unique and has the right to pursue beliefs of their own choice. We also believe that individuals are responsible for their own actions and that growth and development are enhanced by family and individuals who provide love, security, and a sense of belonging. We care about our students, their cleanliness and neatness, and their dress, as well as their learning environment.

The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standard, provided that the student's dress and grooming:

- A. Shall not lead school officials reasonably to believe that such dress or grooming will disrupt, interfere with, disturb, or detract from school activities. A modest appearance must be maintained when standing, sitting, or bending.
- B. Shall not create a health or other hazard to student's safety or to the safety of others.
- C. Shall comply with the following guidelines:
 1. Non-wheeled shoes are to be worn at all times.
 2. Student's dress and grooming should be neat and appropriate for their age group and school activities.
 3. Clothing is to be modest and conform to the standards established for the appropriate school attire. Students are to wear appropriate undergarments.
 4. Hair should be clean and neatly groomed. It should not be colored or styled in any way that is distracting to the learning environment.
 - a. Hair color must be natural.
 - b. Curlers are not acceptable.
 - c. Mohawk type haircuts are not permitted.
 - d. No facial hair.
 5. ***Walking shorts or skirts must be neat and appropriate. If the length or style disrupts the learning environment, it is a dress code violation.***
 6. ***Sleeveless shirts are not acceptable for boys or girls. Shoulders must be covered at all times.***
 7. Any clothing or accessory that may be deemed to represent gang affiliation, real or implied, is not permitted. Any clothing or accessory, which may be deemed to be offensive or degrade any student population, is not permitted. This includes any Gothic style dress/clothing.

8. Shirts/blouses that fit properly and do not hang below the top of the back pocket when worn properly at the waist may be un-tucked. No see through shirts or fishnet tops.
9. Pants must fit at the waist, with or without a belt.
10. Permanent or non-permanent tattoos cannot be visible.
11. Pierced body parts other than the ear are not acceptable for either male or female students. Eyebrow, nose and tongue rings will be removed. Plugs, tunnels, and spacers are not permitted.
12. Students will not wear:
 - a. Clothing, jewelry, heavy chains, or trinkets that are: noisy and distracting; occult-related; or that advertise sex, alcohol, drugs, tobacco, or any product related to alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or sex. Students may not wear suggestive or inappropriately located decorative patches, insignia, or clothing with improper advertising, pictures, slogans or statements.
 - b. Clothing that in any way would suggest disrespect for the American flag.
 - c. Headbands, bandanas, and hats inside the building. All of these items will be confiscated and not returned. This applies to all students, male and female. Head covers may not be worn or brought in the building.
 - d. Clothing that does not adequately cover the body: Low cut, see-through, spaghetti-strap, and tube tops without a blouse. Cut-offs and jeans with tears above the knees will not be permitted. Midriffs are to be covered. No hooded sweatshirts should be worn with the hood on inside the building.
 - e. Heavy chains, animal collars, chokers that look like animal collars, or locks.
 - f. Long, tight leggings unless the top meets dress code length for skirts/shorts.
 - g. Spandex, biking shorts, and similar apparel (except those that are school sponsored and appropriate setting).
 - h. Oversized or excessively baggy clothes.
 - i. Trench coats or coats that resemble trench coats.
 - j. Pajamas of any type.
 - k. Fishnets on arms/legs.
 - l. Any clothing deemed inappropriate for the educational setting by the administration or staff.

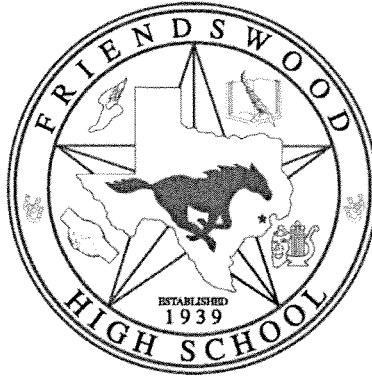
Extracurricular Activities

All groups representing the school or school organizations are expected to put their “best foot forward” in public. Therefore a coach, band director, drill team sponsor, student council sponsor, etc., may require members to wear ties or dress in a more formal style.

If hairstyle or type of dress interferes with the performance or efficiency of student’s participation in athletics or any extracurricular activity, the student shall be required to change the hairstyle or the attire or cease to participate. Any student who represents the school or any athletic team or is a member of any school organization must remember that public opinion and public scrutiny is always present. The team morale, attitude of athletic contest officials, and the accepted public standards must be considered. A student represents the school first and foremost and individual preferences as to hairstyles and dress attire must be sacrificed if such individual preferences serve to deteriorate the general effectiveness of a team or organization.

Dress Code Violations

Violations of the dress code may result in disciplinary action being assigned. If the student’s dress or grooming is objectionable under these provisions, the principal or designee shall request the student to make appropriate corrections. Students who violate provisions of the dress code will be given the opportunity to have parents bring appropriate clothing to school or to pick up the student. If a parent cannot be contacted the student will be placed in A.S.C.



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - AUGUST 22, 2011

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

ALL INCOMING 9TH GRADERS WILL REPORT TO THE FHS CAFETERIA AT 8:33 AM. FRESHMAN WILL GO THROUGH A MORNING ORIENTATION CONSISTING OF A WELCOME, INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH THEIR CLASSROOM TEACHERS, AND AN ENDING TO THE MORNING WITH LUNCH AT 11:35 AM. STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING A SACK LUNCH OR MONEY TO PURCHASE LUNCH. THE DAY WILL CONTINUE WITH ALL FHS STUDENTS ON CAMPUS BEGINNING AT 12:00 NOON, WITH DISMISSAL AT 3:44 PM. FOR FRESHMAN STUDENTS: BUSES WILL RUN AT THE REGULAR SCHEDULED TIME IN THE MORNING AND AFTERNOON.