



# Parent Meeting – Fish Camp

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Welcome Class of 2021

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**Academic Excellence** means to expect every student to work to achieve a set of standards that has been defined by the school, district or state. It is when the learning for each student is at a level that challenges their skills and abilities.

**Academic Excellence** is when the student displays dedication, drive and commitment everyday while here at Legacy.



# What is Academic Excellence?

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No, students have different learning styles and those need to be taken into consideration. While some students may learn something by reading, others may need a more hands-on approach. In order to achieve academic excellence, teachers will vary their instruction. Our Legacy staff will provide tools, resources, learning strategies and study habits your student needs to be able to succeed in their academic career while here at LHS.

**Academic  
Excellence** *for All* ★★

**Can we achieve academic  
excellence with just one strategy  
or one form of instruction?**

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## We will need your help.

You have heard that it takes a village. We believe that.

We expect our students to come to school each day prepared with appropriate school supplies.

We expect our students to come to school each day with prepared lessons and ready to learn.

We expect you as parents to make sure that homework is being done and on time.

We expect you to keep an eye on your child's grades by looking at Skyward.

We expect you to contact us if you feel that your student needs extra understanding.

We expect you to be our partner while your child is here. We want a team to help prepare your child to be ready to enter the world in four years whether it is attending college, entering the military or going directly into the workforce.

# Can Legacy teachers do this alone?

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Your child  
You  
Principals  
Counselors  
Teachers  
Supporting staff  
Custodians  
Cafeteria staff



**Who is on your Academic  
Excellence team?**

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- Is your freshman your oldest child?
- How are you feeling?
- Are you ready?
- What can we do to help?

**Let's me ask you a  
question.**

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- **Research**
- Google: Freshman, college name, admissions
- Entrance Score
- Scholarship Score
  
- **What colleges look for:**
- High School Rigor
- Class Rank
- SAT/ACT Scores
- Entrance Essays
- Portfolio – Make sure that you are a member of an organization. Examples: Key Club, Band, Sports, Journalism, church group
- Schools look for leaders so become an officer of an organization
- Reference Letters



# **College bound: Pick Your Top 4 Colleges**

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<b>Rigor Is NOT</b>	<b>Rigor Is</b>
More work	More appropriately challenging work
Engagement	Cognitive engagement
Teacher Q & A	Classroom discussion & student collaboration
Hard classes	Rich learning environments
Hard work	Cognitive work
Selecting Correct Responses	Making the best decisions from multiple correct responses
Depth of Work	Depth of Knowledge
Knowledge & Skills	Creativity & Analysis
Based on the verbs in a standard	Based on the complete standard
Frustrating and overwhelming	Challenging and motivating

What Legacy offers:

PAP and AP classes

TCC dual credit classes



**High School Rigor – will you be ready for what is after high school?**

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<b>Rank</b>	<b>SAT</b>	<b>ACT</b>
Top Quarter	No Minimum	No Minimum
Second Quarter	1130	22
Third Quarter	Individual Rev.	Individual Rev.
Fourth Quarter	Individual Rev.	Individual Rev.
Students must also have 3.0 unweighted GPA		(UTA required entrance scores)

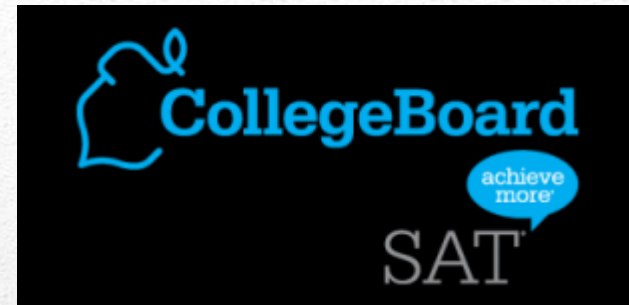


**Class Rank – Everyday matters when you walk through the doors.**

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- Scholarships
- Admissions



# Why are SAT/ACT Scores important?

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You need certain scores to receive academic scholarship money along with your GPA and class rank.

Reach for the scholarship score not just the admission score. All colleges have different criteria. Research is needed.





To be successful in the academic classroom freshman need some goals that will carry over through their complete high school career.

**GOALS** that Legacy will expect from your child:

Attend school everyday.

Go to tutorials when feeling confused or stuck.

Know tutorial schedules.

Turn in all assignments whether they are complete or not.

Understand late work policy.

Begin working on homework the day it is assigned.

Ask questions! Teachers are here to help.

Keep binder organized daily.

Bring iPad daily and charged.

Earn at least 6 credits per year.

Freshman year pass 3 EOC exams – Algebra 1, English 1 and Biology

# **Freshman Goals**

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Email me at [juliegross@misdmail.org](mailto:juliegross@misdmail.org)

Come by and pick up a college timeline.

You can always talk to your counselor and research information through the district website.



**Need prep or more info?**

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- SAT [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
- ACT [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- Khan Academy Free Prep Resources  
<https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

# Resources/Questions

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