



1.35 - Schedule events to provide African American (AA) parents, guardians and students with information on advanced coursework, dual enrollment, graduation pathways, scholarship information and strategies for academic success (i.e. workshops, website, parent conferences, SAT and ACT information).

Narrative

In order to make good decisions regarding availability of opportunities academically with the goal of expanding post high school continuing education choices and financial aid support, SRHS is committed to providing information to AA parents, guardians and students in a timely fashion via email, Messenger, FOCUS Home page, SRHS website, SRHS social media, evening presentations and admin approved press releases. These efforts will focus on an interactive process with AA parents, guardians and students to tailor any information they receive to the specifics of their goals and aspirations.

Data

- Rosters of AA parents, guardians and students that attend AAA Parent Council Town Hall meeting/Family Engagement night dinner- August. Copies of agenda and presentation materials.
- Rosters of AA parents, guardians and students that attend AAA Parent Council Town Hall meeting/Family Engagement night dinner- January. Copies of agenda and presentation materials.
- Open House Night—IB Coordinator usually host two meetings—one for pre-IB and one for IB Diploma. IB Coordinator will host an additional meeting where he will discuss how IB Diploma prepares students for college; provide the SAT/ACT calendar and prep information; provide scholarship information; provide college applications information; provide information about IB peer tutoring after school; and, provide information on how IB Diploma can help students earn the Bright Futures Academic Scholarship even if the student does not have the required SAT or ACT scores. Copies of agenda and presentation materials.
- IB Coordinator will host a night in late September for college application support. He will provide “dos and don’ts” along with college essay writing tools. All 9th-12th grade African American students and parents will be invited. Copies of agenda and presentation materials.
- IB Coordinator will host a night in December to discuss scholarships applications. He will provide “dos and don’ts” and tools to write effective scholarship essays. All 9th-12th grade African American students and parents will be invited. Also, FAFSA will be discussed. Will provide time for students and parents to begin the FAFSA process with guidance from IB Coordinator. Copies of agenda and presentation materials.

- Additionally, IB Coordinator will create college application and scholarship power point presentations for parents and students to review.
- Continue to recommend students to Questbridge. Questbridge is an organization that helps minority students get placed with top tier colleges/universities with scholarships. IB teachers and IB Coordinator recommend and write letters of recommendation for students.
- IB Coordinator will continue to work “one on one” with individual African American students in IB to help with college applications, scholarship applications, SAT/ACT information/prep, FAFSA
- Hoping to hire an African American teacher in the position of IB Chemistry.

Action Plan

- Host AAA Parent Council Town Hall meeting/Family Engagement night dinner- August and January
- Head guidance counselor will present information during these nights pertaining to these topics.
- Create link on school homepage to page providing this information.
- Regularly post to website and school social media with information about parent conferences and upcoming SAT/ACT administrations. Create a specific communication line (Remind or Band app) to parents on the AAA Parent Council.
- IB program outreach/feeder presentations and student support for post-secondary school applications