

## Grade 9:

Congratulations! You made it to high school. Many of our fall athletics have begun, along with Beta Club, Student Council, Yearbook and other clubs. I would encourage you to get involved in some of these activities this year. Also, 50 service hours are required before you graduate, so you will want to get started on these as soon as possible. There are tons of volunteer opportunities available in our community! Mrs. Julie Game is the Service Hours coordinator.

As you progress through high school, it is important to keep track of the various activities you participate in, both in school and in the community. Please use the Resume in Naviance Student to do this. You will find it under the About Me tab. These activities, accomplishments, leadership positions, etc. will be a tremendous help to you when you start filling out college and scholarship applications, as well as applying for jobs or internships. In addition, your teachers and guidance counselor will have access to your resume which will enable them to write better letters of recommendation on your behalf.

Keep working hard and improving your academic performance. It is extremely important that you keep up with your class work and homework assignments! Your freshman year counts towards your weighted grade point average, which colleges consider in the application process. Be sure to do your very best and have a great freshman year!

**"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." Colossians 3:23**