



**Our Vision:**

The Vision of McKinley Technology High School is to become the **highest performing high school in the nation through the integration of a rigorous college preparatory and STEM curricula, taught by master teachers, that prepares students for the challenges of the ever-changing and competitive global market.**

**Upcoming Events**

- January 12**  
LSRT Meeting to being Budget 10-11
- January 15**  
PD Day for teachers and staff  
Staff Holiday Luncheon
- January 12-14**  
DC BAS
- January 18**  
Holiday- Schools Closed
- January 19-21**  
Mid-Term Exams
- January 22**  
Records Day- Half Day for students  
12:15 Dismissal
- January 27**  
STEM Night  
6:30-8:30
- January 29**  
Grades due from teachers  
February 10  
Vision Quest

**Principal's Message**

The LSRT team meets on Tuesday to discuss the budget for 2010-2011. Department Chairs will finalize course offerings at the Tuesday department meeting.

At the end of the month and into early February our students will begin to map out their 8 course schedule for next year by meeting one on one with their counselor. All students and parents will sign off on their choices. Electives are driven by student choice.

Portfolios are due for review after the formal observation.

**Master Schedule Timeline for 2010-2011**

- Students in 9<sup>th</sup> grade will be introduced to the STEM strands on January 27, 2010 at 6:30 pm
- Students will begin meeting individually with counselors at the end of January through February
- Students will complete their choices and the numbers will determine staffing positions necessary
- The Master Schedule will be simulated in STARS in mid-February
- Conflicts in the scheduling of courses will be resolved in March
- Master Schedule completed at the end of March

Have a great **Instructional Week**

*David Pinder*  
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**Weekly School Calendar**

January 18 – January 23

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
School Closed	A Day <b><u>Morning Greet Teams</u></b>  <b>Social Studies, Science</b>  <b><u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u></b>  DC BAS  <a href="#"><u>Department Chair Meeting 3:30-4:30</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>LSRT Meeting 4:30-6:00</u></a>	B Day  <b><u>Morning Greet Teams</u></b>  <b>English, Mass Media and World Languages</b>  <b><u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u></b>  DC BAS	A Day  <b><u>Morning Greet Teams</u></b>  <b>Physical Education, Art, Music,</b>  <b><u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u></b>  DC BAS	B Day  <b><u>Morning Greet Teams</u></b>  <b>Counselors, ROTC, IT, Biotech, Special Education</b>  <b><u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u></b>	<b><u>Tutoring</u></b> 10am-1pm

6:30-8:00

February 12

PD day

February 15

Holiday/closed

## Staff Information

- **The LSRT meets this Tuesday at 5pm for Budget discussions**
- **January/February Techite Tickets are ready...please see Ms. Leenders for your tickets**
- **ATTENDANCE ENTRY WAS 93% last week... we must be at 100% every day!! Please remember that if you are absent you must go into STARS upon your return and complete the attendance**
- Substitute folders need to be updated...please be sure to have updated rosters, seating charts and lessons with reproducibles in each folder for each class period
- ALARM DOORS will be completed within the week and entrance and exit from the building will only be from the front

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### Parents and Students

- **PLEASE DROP CHILDREN OFF IN THE LOOP, NOT in FRONT OF THE BUILDING... THANKS!**
- **Warning letters for students with less than a 2.5 GPA, more than 3 unexcused absences and lateness and more than 2 office referrals have been mailed....failure to receive a warning letter does not mean that a student cannot be uninvited...**
- **Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA by the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> advisory, good attendance and behavior or they will be uninvited for school year 10-11**
- For college scholarship information please see Ms. Devlin in our DC CAP Office, 1211161
- Want to participate in Urban Game Design and learn how to develop your own video games...see Mr. Rick Kelsey, STEM Director
- Students are required to wear "One Card" IDs with Tech lanyards every day
- Breakfast with the principal every Monday morning at 9:30-10:30 am}
- The parent resource center is open...please stop by and get involved

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# The College Support Team at McKinley Tech

Welcome! Beginning next week this new page will outline scholarships, application information and college visits for our junior and seniors. Our new college support teams for our junior and seniors will be working closely with students and parents to ensure you have what you need for a successful transition to college.

The Team: Juniors, Counselor Valerie Wilson, [valerie.wilson@dc.gov](mailto:valerie.wilson@dc.gov)  
 - 11<sup>th</sup> Grade College Support Team


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Lisa Devlin, DC College Access Program

College Scholarship Information from DC CAP



## Hoop Dreams

### Scholarship Fund

DC CAP will continue the granting of scholarships, through the Hoop Dreams Alumni Legacy Fund, and will administer the remaining balances of scholarships originally awarded by Hoop Dreams and to continue the "legacy" of Hoop Dreams by establishing funds within DC CAP that reflect what the Hoop Dreams Scholarship Fund, for the past thirteen years, has been able to do for so many. DC CAP will be responsible in distributing your upcoming HDSF spring semester award. For more information regarding this program, please contact Tosha Lewis at (202) 783-3853 or [tosha.lewis@dccap.org](mailto:tosha.lewis@dccap.org). Your scholarship may be used for tuition, room and board or books however based on the parameters set by DC CAP.

To contribute to the Hoop Dreams Alumni Legacy Fund, you may either donate online through Network For Good, or you may print the Contribution Form. By contributing to DC-CAP, you are not only investing in a child's education but in the future prosperity of the nation's capital. An educated young person can grow up to be a successful adult who can contribute to a healthy economy and a vibrant community. Please invest in your future by investing in theirs!

Upcoming College Visits
See Ms. Devlin

**What you need to be doing for this month: January- taken from Cornell College.edu**

- ☑ Many colleges have application deadlines in January. Finish your applications
- ☑ Visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to print and fill out a pre-application worksheet
- ☑ Visit [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov) to obtain a PIN for yourself and have at least one parent obtain one. You will use this to electronically sign your FAFSA