



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 26

LSRT Meeting
Budget 2010-2011
5:00pm

January 27

STEM Night
6:30-8:30

January 29

Grades due from
teachers by
midnight in STARS

February 4

Faculty Meeting:
Emergency
Protocols 3:30-4:30

February 10

Vision Quest
6:30-8:00

February 12

PD day

February 15

Holiday/closed

Principal's Message

As the second advisory comes to a close today it is imperative that grades are calculated and input into STARS. All grades are due into STARS by midnight next Friday.

IMPACT- All 1st cycle assessments for MASTER EDUCATORS will end on February 1, 2010. Please remember that all assessment cycle observations for the remainder of the year by the administrators and master educators will be unannounced. I cannot reinforce enough the importance of utilizing our portfolio initiative to enhance your lessons. By taking the time to plan unit and lesson plans that are aligned to your assessments you will troubleshoot many of the shortcomings in a flawed lesson. Attached to the email will be the McKinley lesson plan template. Work closely with our instructional coaches if you have questions.

Yesterday, McKinley hosted the high school principals' meeting. Our AVID students served as greeters, escorts and presenters on their STEM strands. They were outstanding!! The district principals were thoroughly impressed with our students. Thank you to Ms. Leenders, Ms. Bartee and the AVID students for upholding our Core Values: Dignity, Empowerment, Support, Communication and Accountability!!

AVID Student Ambassadors:

Aaron Campbell	Adrienne Joyner	AJ Hawkins
Bruce Mann	Kevohn McCormick	Nicole Wright
Cheyenne Scarver	Kyron Walker	Rodger Wilmore
Taahira Thompson	Karlene Carraway	Michael Robinson

Also, a special "shout-out" to ROTC- this weekend they competed in Virginia and finished 5th out of 20 places. It was an impressive performance and we are proud of Col. Holland, the ROTC team and our ROTC students!

On Monday morning, advisors are to pick up their new student schedules to be handed out in homeroom. The schedules will be available in the main office conference area at 8:00 am. Please see Mr. Moss if you have questions.

Our faculty meeting on February 4 is extremely important. We will be reviewing our emergency protocols. All staff is required to attend this meeting.

The final course offerings for 2010-2011 are almost completed and will be released shortly.

STEM is growing at McKinley. This spring we will begin the process for adding 10th grade to our STEM program. If you are interested in being a part of our growing professional learning community for next school year please send me an email as the 9th grade STEM team finalizes the process for adding the new grade level.

Have a great **Instructional Week**

David Pinder
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Weekly School Calendar

January 24 – January 30

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
A Day	B Day	A Day	B Day	A Day	Tutoring 10am-1pm
<u>Morning Greet Teams</u>	<u>Morning Greet Teams</u>	<u>Morning Greet Teams</u>	<u>Morning Greet Teams</u>	<u>Morning Greet Teams</u>	
Math, Engineering and IT	Social Studies, Science	English, Mass Media and World Languages	Physical Education, Art, Music,	Counselors, ROTC, IT, Biotech, Special Education	
<u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u>	<u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u>	<u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u>	<u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u>	<u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u>	
Breakfast with the Principal 9:30-10:30 am in Parent Resource Center	DC BAS				
	<u>Department Chair Meeting</u> 3:30-4:30				
	<u>LSRT Meeting</u> 5:00-6:30				

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 96% 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**
- **We are at 98% entry for the year!!!! This is Very Good!!!! Let's get to 100%!!**
- 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 by Monday and entrance and exit from the building will only be from the front...every staff member will receive a key to the building for entry and exit from 7am-6pm

Master Schedule Timeline for 2010-2011

- Students in 9th 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

- Parents and Students

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- [Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA by the end of the 2nd advisory, good attendance and behavior or they will be uninvited for school year 10-11](#)
- [Students who fail to meet the above criteria will be notified in the next several weeks of their status for next school year](#)
- 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 Teams 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
 - 11th Grade College Support Team

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Lisa Devlin, DC College Access Program

College Scholarship Information from DC CAP



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. 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

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- ☑ Many colleges have application deadlines in January. Finish your applications
- ☑ Visit www.fafsa.ed.gov to print and fill out a pre-application worksheet
- ☑ Visit 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

January

Complete financial aid packet and mail in after January 1.

Secure, complete, and forward LEAP (Leveraged Education Assistance Program), and TAG (Tuition Assistance Grant Program) applications.

Ensure all scholarship applications are in process.

February

Receive Student Aid Report (SAR) from Federal Student Aid Programs. Make copies and send to all schools you have applied.

March

Follow up with colleges from which you have requested information.

If you have not applied to a four-year college, talk to your DC-CAP advisor about community colleges.

April

Receive financial aid award letters from colleges and make comparisons among offers.

Return acceptance letters before deadlines.

Complete community college applications.

May

Send deposit to the college

Give your DC-CAP advisor copies of your Student Aid Report (SAR) and the school financial award letter