



**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 29

Grades due from teachers by midnight in STARS

February 1-5

I Love McKinley Week

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

February 16

Uninvite Process for next school year begins

**Principal's Message**

Teachers: Grades are due by midnight tonight. Please ensure that all grades are in STARS by this time as we will be printing report cards on Monday. In addition, please keep all documentation for grades.

I Love McKinley Week is February 1-5  
 Monday- TWIN Day- After school: Best Hallway Competition  
 Tuesday- I Love Haiti Day- Fundraiser  
 Wednesday- I Love My Class Day- Battle of Classes, After School  
 Thursday- I Love My Staff/Teachers  
 Friday- Dress To Impress

Thank you to Class of 2011- Ms. Broudy, Ms. Waithe, and Ms. Allen for leading the Fashion Show and to all of the student models- You did a great job!

A shout out to Mr. Moss and the STEM team for an outstanding STEM night- parents were very impressed!

February Faculty Meeting- Next Thursday, February 4- Budget breakdown and Course Offerings for 2010-2011 and the DC CAS and a School of Autonomy if we reach 75%/75% proficiency on DC CAS- the details will be provided...

2<sup>nd</sup> Assessment Cycle for IMPACT continues- please ensure that your unit and lesson plan portfolios are available on your desks...

Have a great **Instructional Week**,

*David Pinder*  
 David Pinder

**Weekly School Calendar**

February 1 – February 6

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
B Day <b><u>Morning Greet Teams</u></b>  <b>Math, Engineering and IT</b> <b><u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u></b>  Breakfast with the Principal 9:30-10:30 am in Parent Resource Center	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  <b><u>Department Chair Meeting 3:30-4:30</u></b>  <b><u>LSRT Meeting 5:00-6:30</u></b>	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>	A Day <b><u>Morning Greet Teams</u></b>  <b>Physical Education, Art, Music,</b>  <b><u>Collaboration Unit and Lesson Planning</u></b>	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>Tutoring</b> 10am-1pm

## 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 97% 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 are active...please enter and exit only from the front of the school

### 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

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### **Parents and Students**

- **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**
- **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
- If you're the parent of a junior or senior please stop by and visit our college support teams...see below for details

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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](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



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

### 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