

# CLASS OF 2023

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**Ross S. Sterling**

**Senior Parent Meeting**

**September 13, 2022**



# WELCOME SENIOR CLASS PARENTS

- Student Body President: Brock Glasscock
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- Senior Class President: Clayton Mixon





- Mrs. Eutondra Lamark A-K Counselor



- Ms. Stacey Ritchie-Hinde L-Z Counselor
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- Mrs. Heather Workman, Lead Counselor and College & Career





- Mrs. Linda Martinez Secretary



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- Nancy Rodriguez, Assistant Principal





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**PRINCIPAL : MR. CHADDICK**  
**ACADEMIC DEAN: MRS. YARBROUGH**  
**STUDENT WELLNESS INTERVENTIONIST: MRS. COLE**

# MEETING AGENDA

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The purpose of today's meeting:

- To review expectations and procedures
- To help have a better understanding of graduation requirements
- To share information about grades, advanced class options, and endorsements
- To share college planning information



# 2022-2023 ADMIN STAFF



Freshman AP  
– Mr. Jonathan  
Kirksey



Sophomore  
AP – Mr. Trent  
Manuel



Junior AP –  
Mr. Michael  
Alvarez



Senior AP –  
Mrs. Nancy  
Rodriguez



# 2022-2023 ADMIN STAFF



Testing AP  
Mrs. Rae Fuller



Academies AP  
Dr. Shannon Ramirez



# ZERO TOLERANCE

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- SAFE, SECURE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
- ZERO TOLERANCE AGAINST WEAPONS, ILLEGAL DRUGS AND VIOLENT OR ABUSIVE BEHAVIOR
- ALL STAFF MEMBERS (CAFETERIA WORKERS, MAINTENANCE, TEACHERS AND OFFICE PERSONNEL WILL BE TREATED WITH RESPECT



# LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

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## Senior Office

- Mrs. Rodriguez and Mrs. Martinez
- Located on the 1st floor of the main building across from the Library
- Everyone must sign in with QR
- --Name
- --ID #
- --Time
- --Reason for Visit

## Ranger Center

- All counselors are located in the Ranger Center.
- Located across the hall from the main office.
- Everyone must sign in
- --Name
- --ID #
- --Time
- --Reason for Visit



# BEFORE SCHOOL

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- Be in dress code **BEFORE** you enter the building. If you are out of dress code, you will be sent to the office.
- Enter the building through the **East side double doors, West side double doors, or the Main Entrance in front**
- **Arrival between 7:20 A.M. and 7:45 A.M.**
- **Students report to the Auditorium or Cafeteria. Until Dismissed**



# STUDENT PARKING

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- Please park in designated parking spots
- Parking permit \$20.00 can be purchased in Freshman office, Mrs. Moore
- Must have complete application and provide proof of insurance and driver's license
- Drive carefully and slow when entering and leaving our campus



# PERSONALIZED STUDENT PARKING

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Show your Ranger spirit and your Class of 2023 pride by painting on your own personal cement canvas! The proceeds from this project will go to Sterling Student Council

Scan the QR for info





# TRANSITIONING

- Five minutes between classes
- No hanging out in the hallways or commons
- Must be in class when bell rings or you are considered “tardy” ☹️

# FREE / REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION

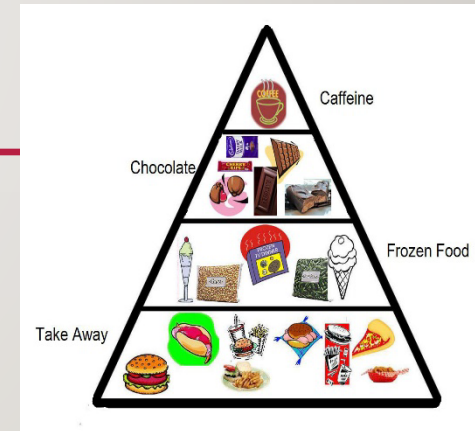
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- You MUST reapply EVERY year
- 1 application per FAMILY
- Generally, October 20th – you will go to PAID status
- Can get fee waivers for college tests and college applications
- Apply ONLINE
  - –[www.gccisd.net](http://www.gccisd.net)
  - –Click on **Parents**
  - –Left hand column – **Nutrition Services**
  - –**Free/Reduced Meal Application**
  - –Complete Application



# CAFETERIA

- Closed Campus - CANNOT leave the campus
- Clean up after yourself
- Push in chairs
- Remain seated inside the cafeteria
- Food and drinks are NOT permitted in the hallways or classrooms!
- No outside food delivered



# **DISMISSAL/AFTER SCHOOL**

**CLEAR THE CAMPUS PROMPTLY**

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**ALL STUDENTS MUST BE OUT OF THE BUILDING BY 3:20 PM**

**CANNOT RE-ENTER THE BUILDING**

**THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ACTIVITIES SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT  
(PRACTICE, CLUB MEETINGS, TUTORIALS).**

**--ALL OTHER STUDENTS MUST ARRANGE FOR TRANSPORTATION AFTER  
SCHOOL OR RIDE THE BUS.**



# ATTENDANCE

- EARLY DISMISSALS ARE OBTAINED THROUGH THE **SENIOR OFFICE** (**EVEN IF YOU DRIVE**). YOU CAN'T JUST LEAVE CAMPUS.

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- ABSENCE NOTES ARE TO BE EMAILED TO THE **SENIOR OFFICE**
    - Email Mrs. Martinez (linda.martinez@gccisd.net) You must turn a note in within 3 days of being absent.

# ATTENDANCE

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- ★ **8 absences** in a class will **result in loss of credit** and require Attendance Recovery
- ★ Attendance Recovery:
  - Hour for hour after school
    - or Saturday school (if applicable)





# DRESS CODE GENERAL GUIDELINES

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- Students' clothing must be worn in the manner for which designed
- Do not wear clothing that is tight, loose, revealing, sagging, baggy, or short. Examples of unacceptable clothing according to this guideline include biker shorts, miniskirts, tank tops, backless apparel, midriffs and/or see-through clothing.
- NO pajama tops and/or bottoms, house shoes, or slippers.
- No hats or hoodies

# DRESS CODE

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

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- No clothing that is too tight
- Clothing that is showing to much skin (revealing)
- **PLEASE** no midriffs
- Clothing with inappropriate language/pictures
- Gang related clothing
- You will be required to change if you are out of dress code (**no you can not cover up with a jacket**) and discipline assigned.



# DRESS CODE

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

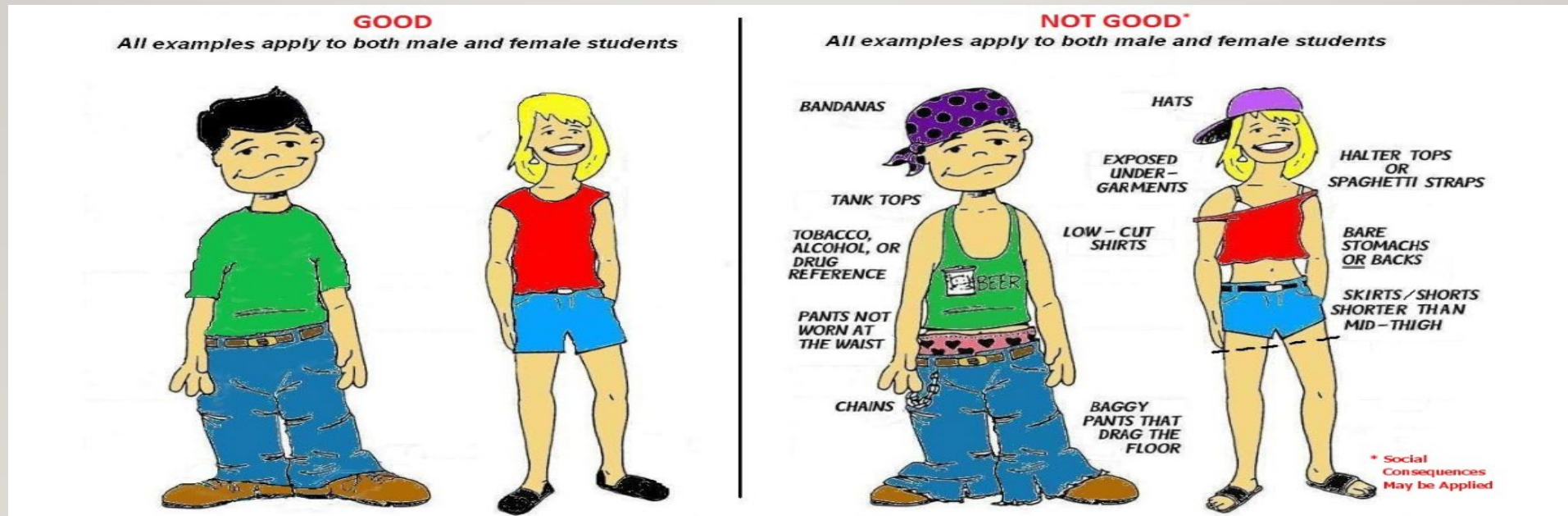
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- No type of head covering, cap, or hat is to be worn or brought to school with the exception of approved school uniforms (i.e., ROTC or other extenuating circumstances with administrative approval).
- All other types of headwear worn or brought into the building will be confiscated and disciplinary action will be taken.
- Coats, jackets, sweaters, and sweatshirts that have an attached hood are allowed but the hood may not be worn inside the building at any time.
- Special days and extreme extenuating circumstances for headwear may be permitted by the campus principal
- You will be required to change if you are out of dress code (no you can not cover up with a jacket) and discipline assigned.

# DRESS CODE

## GENERAL GUIDELINES . . . .

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# Communities In Schools

Baytown

## OUR MISSION

*Our mission is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.*

## YOUR RSS CIS SITE COORDINATORS

***Sarah Cooper***

Sarah.cooper@gccisd.net

Ext 84061

Main Office

## SERVICES PROVIDED:

*Behavior Monitoring and Intervention*

*Academic Monitoring and Intervention*

*Attendance Monitoring and Intervention*

*Social/Emotional Learning*

*Social Services*

*One-on-one supportive guidance*

*Small group learning/activities*

*Other services based on student and campus needs*

To provide support to students we will either need a parental consent form signed or verbal consent via email or phone.

# Social and Emotional Support for Students



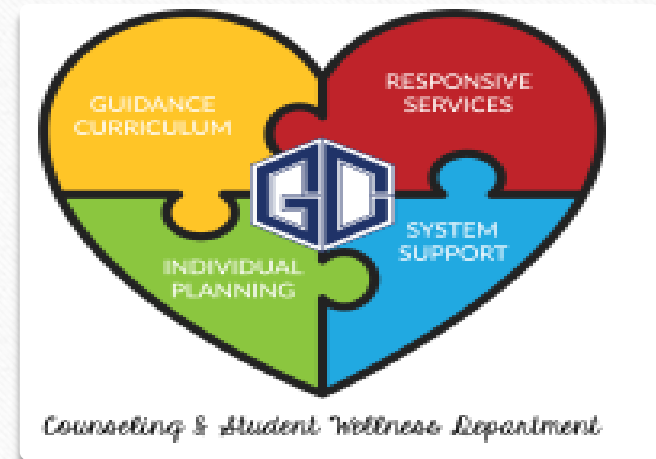
## Request a Visit

Scan the QR code to set up a meeting with your counselor



## Guidance Curriculum

Guidance and character education topics



## Individual and group counseling

Counselors, Student Wellness Interventionist, CIS support staff, United Way and the Bridge program



# Graduation Requirements



Attendance

+

Credits

+

STAAR

=

Graduation



# **TWO** Semesters left Class **2023**

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- Are you ready???
- Your Counselors, Mrs. Lamark or Ms. Ritchie will inform you what you need



# Earning Credits

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- Pass your classes with grades of 70 or above to earn credit
- Attend Class
- Remember that everything you do is shown on your AAR (Transcript)

# STAAR

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- **Grade 9 – English 1** *COVID Waived if you earned credit in 2020*  
**Algebra 1** *COVID Waived if you earned credit in 2020*  
**Biology** *COVID Waived if you earned credit in 2020*
- **Grade 10 – English 2**
- **Grade 11 - US History**



# Foundation Plan (22 credits)

English	4 credits
Math	3 credits
Science	3 credits
Social Studies	3 credits
LOTE	2 credit in same language
PE	1 credit
Fine Art	1 credit
Health	$\frac{1}{2}$ credit
Technology	1 credit
Electives	3.5

# Endorsement Coursework

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- 1 additional math = **4 total math credits**
- 1 additional science = **4 total science credits**
- 2 add'l endorsement electives

**22 Foundation credits + 4 endorsement credits =  
26 credits**



# Endorsements - House Bill 5

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- STEM
- Business and Industry
- Public Services
- Arts and Humanities
- Multi-Disciplinary Studies



# Credit Recovery Options

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- In a year long course, a student will receive credit if the average of the two semesters is a 70.
- Retake the Course
- Edgenuity- Computer program in which students retake the full course to earn credit. Student will receive a P on transcript.
- N.C.A.A. = The N.C.A.A. Clearinghouse does NOT recognize credit for any semester in which the grade is NOT 70 or above.



## Rank and GPA Began Freshman Year

- Students will earn points for each grade.
  - At the end of each semester the average of these points will be calculated and will assign you a rank in your class.
  - The higher the point value you have the better your rank will be. All grades are important.
  - Students begin building their GPA and rank from day 1.
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- Students who are in the **Top 10%** of their class at the end of their Senior Year will be automatically accepted into Texas Public Colleges.
    - **UT Austin** is the **top 6 %**
  - The top 10% in a class of 540 students would be the top 54 students with the highest GPA points.

## **Advanced Academics**

- RSS offers our students AP courses, dual credit with Lee College, and dual credit with UT through our On Ramps classes.
- Our goal at Sterling High School is for students to graduate with at least 9 College credit hours.



# Earn College Credit Now

- You still have an opportunity to earn dual credit 2<sup>nd</sup> semester!
  - Don't miss out on an opportunity to take some credits with you!
  - Students only pay 50.00. GCCISD pays the rest and we take care of books!

We are offering the following classes starting in January:

- Psychology
- Sociology
- Health
- Public Speaking
- Fill out Form or Scan QR code if interested
- <https://forms.gle/XyfhRS5qAAcK2Ewk6>



# What is College & Career Readiness?

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- What is a CCMR? College, Career or Military Ready
- College Ready
  - Meet Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Criteria or
  - Earn dual course credits or
  - Meets criteria on AP/IB exams or
  - Earns an associate degree or
  - Qualifies for OnRamps Course Credits
- Career Ready
  - Earns an Industry based certification (IBC)
  - Graduate with completed IEP and workforce readiness or
  - Graduates with an advanced degree plan and receive special education services or earn level I or level II certificate
- Military Ready
  - Enlists in U.S. Armed Forces



# How Can the College & Career Department Help you?

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- AP Course/Exam Guidance
- Military Interest/ASVAB Testing
- College Applications/Admissions
- FAFSA/TASFA/Scholarship Questions
- Fee Waivers (ACT/SAT/College Applications)
- Lee College Dual Credit Advising
- Lamar Institute of Technology Advising
- PSAT/SAT/ACT/TSIA Testing

## College & Career Department



Heather Workman  
College & Career Counselor



Christin Loeser  
College & Career Clerk



Jordan Salazar  
Shared Dual Credit Advisor



Jessica Marshall  
Shared College Coordinator



# FAFSA / TASFA is Mandatory

- **FAFSA**--Free Application for **Federal** Student Aid – Opens October 1<sup>st</sup>

- APPLY EARLY

- **TASFA**--**Texas** Application for State Financial Aid

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- Mandatory FAFSA / TASFA completion

- Now **required** for graduation for Class of 2023
  - Many colleges already require it as part of the application process
  - Required for many scholarships
  - Fall FAFSA Nights
    - October 4<sup>th</sup> & November 1<sup>st</sup> in the Sterling Library from 6-8 PM.



# Upcoming Events

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- College Week – October 17-21<sup>st</sup>
- TSIA Testing – TBD
- College & Career Night – October 26<sup>th</sup> @ EF Green
- Fish Fry November 2022
- Local Scholarship Release date – January 31<sup>st</sup>
- Local Scholarship Deadline – March 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Prom Friday, March 31, 2023
- Giant Decision Day – April 13<sup>th</sup>
- Graduation May 2023

# Things to Do this Year

- 1. Get good grades (the more A's and B's the better) , your GPA matters
- 2. Get and stay involved (try for leadership positions in clubs and organizations)
- 3. Keep a log of community service –Harris County
- 4. Write your college essay
- 5. You may want to retake your SAT or ACT
- 5. Keep a list of any honors you receive
- 6. Job or out of school experience shows maturity
- 7. If a problem comes up, ask for help

## Attn: High School Students

- ☒ Are you 16 years old by Election Day?
- ☒ Do you need volunteer hours?
- ☒ Would you like a letter of recommendation for college from Harris County Elections?

## The details:

- Parental and principal consent is required
- Pay is \$17 an hour and training is paid
- Your absence from school is excused

## Next steps:

- Visit [www.harrisvotes.com/studentclerks](http://www.harrisvotes.com/studentclerks)
- Click on "Apply Now" and complete the online application
- Have your parent/legal guardian and principal complete the consent form sent to their email





# Important Senior Dates

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- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> day of Senior Year August 10<sup>th</sup> 2022
- ✓ Senior Class Meeting August 17, 2022
- ✓ Cap & Gown Picture September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2022
- ✓ Parent Senior Night September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- ✓ Last day for Yearbooks for \$60,00 August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Cap and Gown Meeting Presentation September 30<sup>th</sup> during 4<sup>th</sup> period
- Order Cap and Gown October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 2022
- Homecoming October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Fish Fry Tickets go on Sale October 24<sup>th</sup> 30 tickets one free prom ticket 60 tickets two free prom tickets
- Fish Fry November 4, 2022
- Panoramic picture Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Prom Friday, March 31, 2023
- Graduation May week of 23-27, 2023

# Free Class Shirt??

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# Join our Senior Google Classroom

## Class of 2023 News

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- Stay up to date on all the events and important information you will need to have a fun, successful and meaningful senior year.
- JOIN CODE: [w5uc54u](#)



# Project Graduation

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Parent run project

Need volunteers

Need a Senior Parent who can lead Project Graduation

Co Chair Mrs. Glasscock

Co Chair Mrs. Mixon



# Class Information

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**Class of 2023 Google Classroom**



**Email**



**Iris Calls**



**School Website**

Graduation is Around the Corner!  
Let's make it a GREAT year

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