

High School Mentoring Meeting 5

They survived their first semester!

Follow up with them, ask them how finals/grades turned out (if they don't want to share- it is okay as they may not have ended well).

Is there any direction mentoring needs to go to help support them- share any ideas or thoughts with me!

Also remind them about service hours. We have some students who are still unsure about service hour policies. If a student wants to earn volunteer hours through doing something at or for CMS, **it must be approved in advance by Dr. Ash**. Students must earn their hours volunteering in the community for non-profits. Working for the family business or around home does not count either. There's also some confusion about service hours related to being on a sports team. Working the concession stand for your team is NOT service hours. It is part of a team requirement. If your team serves at an event as a team it most likely will not count as service hours, see Dr. Ash for approval. Service hours are not earned for being a team manager. A student who volunteers to keep a clock, then that must be discussed with and approved by Dr. Ash beforehand.

They are preparing to register for classes soon. Do they have any questions about classes they are looking at taking? Remember this is not about talking bad about a teacher. You can share the difficulty/intensity of a class and be professional. When you look back at your classes, is there something you would do differently? If so, why? Ask if they have questions concerning the types of diplomas (they were supposed to discuss that in advisory last week). Explain the importance of completing their service hours.

Believe it or not, January is National Mentor Month! (Google it- it really is!) I thank you for your volunteering to be a mentor. If time permits, take a few minutes and tell them it is National Mentor Month- share why you wanted to be a mentor, and also share someone in your life who has mentored you (whether they know they have or not!). I hope they want to mentor when they are seniors!

Remember – if you have any suggestions for future mentoring, let me know!

Yours,
Mr. N