



INFORMATION FOR 9th Grade PARENTS

The Transition to High School:

High school brings different opportunities and experiences for students. The building is bigger. There are more students and more information to keep track of. Grades and credits count now towards graduation, athletics, college admission, and scholarships. One of the best ways to help with transitions is to be informed and know what resources are in place.

9th grade orientation and parent nights: TBD

Be Informed: <https://www.washoeschools.net/mcqueen>

Important information to have: [Academics / 2021-2022 McQueen Course Catalog \(washoeschools.net\)](#)

- School calendar
- Attendance Policies
- Graduation Requirements:
- School Rules/Code of Conduct
- Information on extracurricular activities (clubs, sports)
- Contact information: teachers, counselor, attendance, athletic director

The Academic Record:

This is your child's transcript, which will include all grades and credits for each course taken. Grades earned are calculated into a grade point average (GPA). Extra points are given for classes that are honors (.025) and Advanced Placement (.05). Using the GPA, students are ranked in relation to other members of that graduating class (class rank).

Tips for Success:

- Provide school supplies and a place to study. Implementing a regular study time helps with time management.
- Help your child set academic goals and plan out a course of study for high school (four year plan)
- Attend all parent programs and stay in contact with teachers (staff emails are on the website and in IC)
- Insist on daily attendance.
- Log-in to Infinite Campus (IC) to monitor grades, keep track of when academic warnings and report cards are issued.
- Connections are vital, so encourage involvement in clubs, sports, and volunteering.