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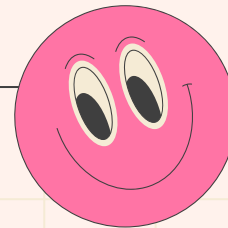
High School Bound: What You Need to Know for 9th Grade

This is The Start Of Something New

Dr. Cheeks

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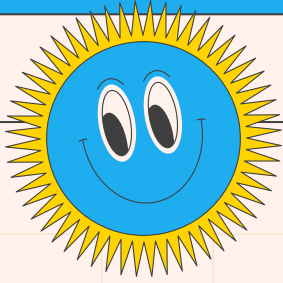
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It's not too early to look
consider what your transcript
will look like.

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Keep this in mind

College Planning
Timeline



Objectives



Educate

Educate Students on truths about Freshman year



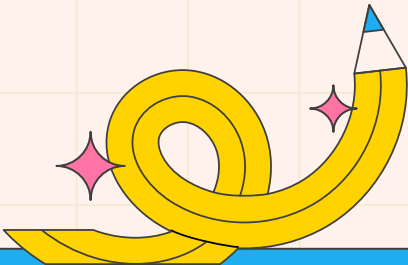
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Guide students on opportunities

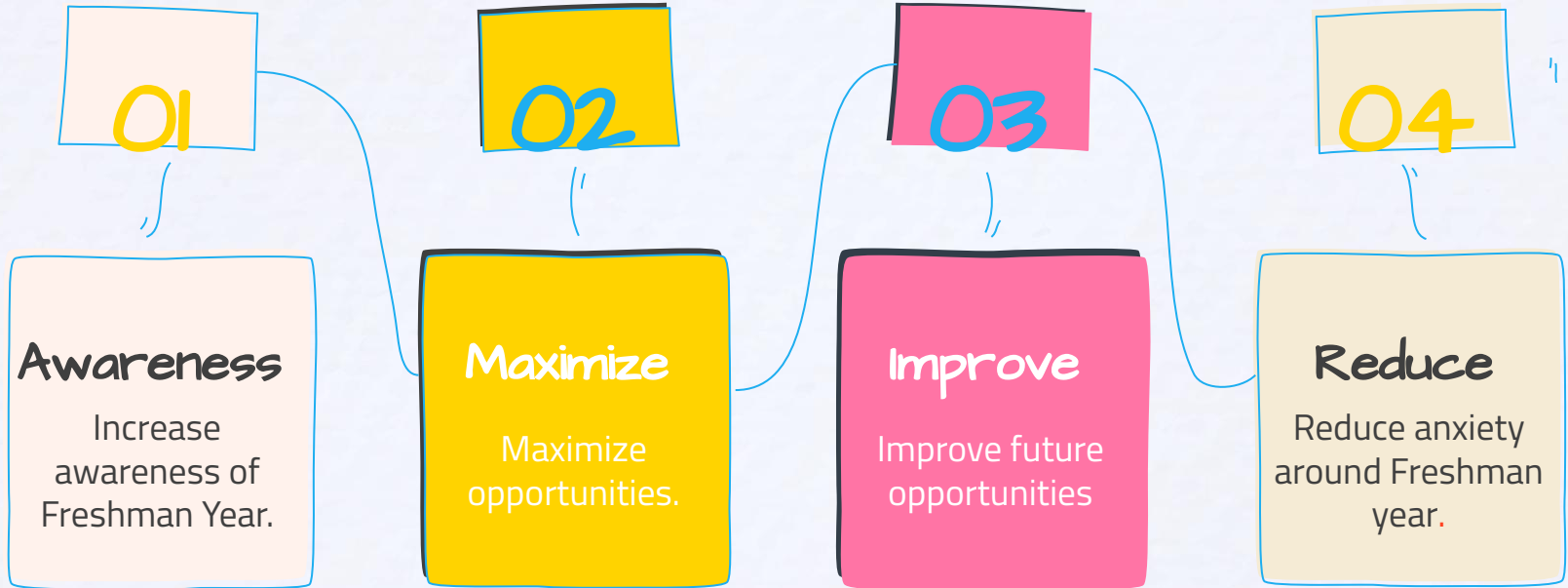


Encourage

Encourage proactive College Planning



Goals





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**Why High
School Matters**





Why High School Matters

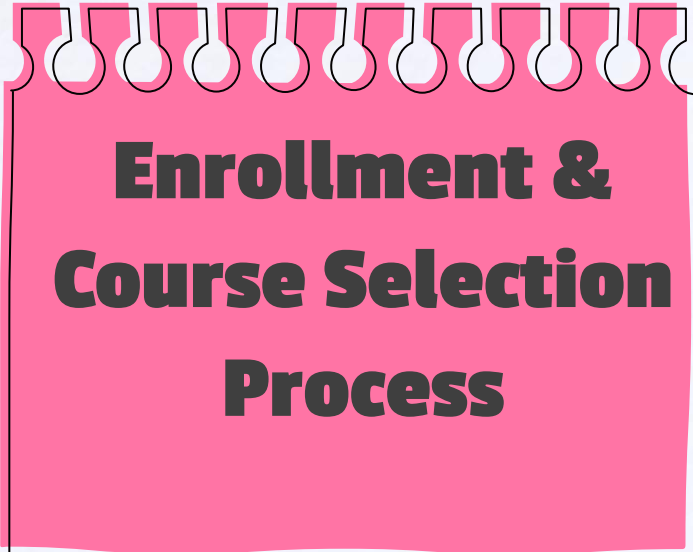
High school sets the foundation for college, career, and life skills.

More independence, more responsibility!

The importance of:

- **GPA:** Colleges start looking at grades in 9th grade.
- **Extracurricular activities:** Build your resume and interests.
- **Course choices:** They impact future opportunities.





**Enrollment &
Course Selection
Process**



02

Check the Ell-Saline Website On A Regular Basis!!!

The screenshot shows the Ell-Saline website's navigation structure. At the top, there is a dark header with links for News, Admin, Content, Help Center, and Test Accessibility. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with links for District Office, Elementary, MS/HS, Parents, Crisis Help Center, Resources, Calendar, Contact Us, Staff Directory, and Archives. A third navigation bar contains News, Athletics, Staff, and Quicklinks. The MS/HS dropdown menu is open, showing options like MS/HS Staff, Contact Information, Booster Club, Resources, Athletics, News, Counselor, Organizations, and Library. The Counselor dropdown is also open, highlighting Freshman. A breadcrumb trail at the top right reads: Home / MS/HS / Counselor / Freshman. The main content area features a grid of links: HS Course Catalog, Individual Plan of Study (IPS), Volunteer Opportunities, Graduation Requirements, and College Planning Time Line.

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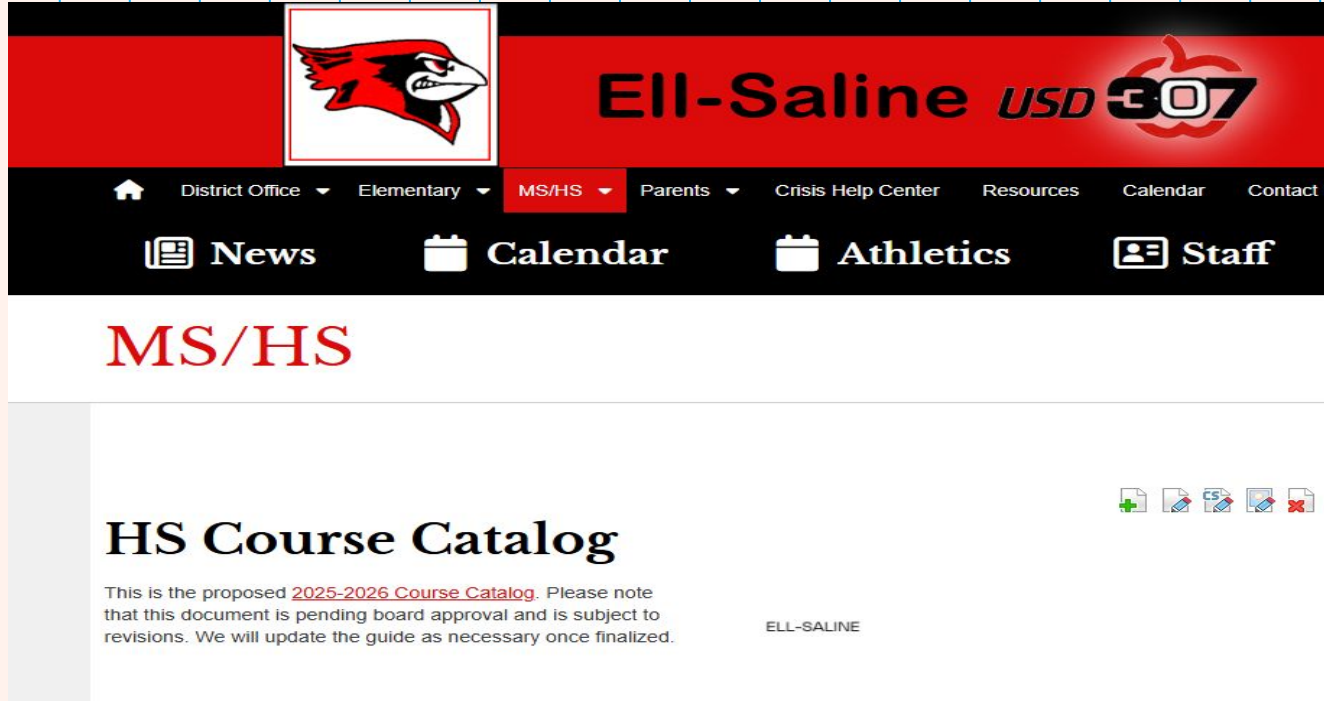
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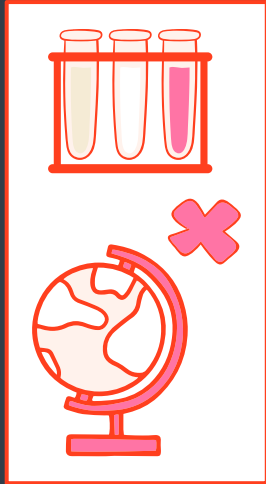
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The screenshot shows the Ell-Saline USD 307 website. The header features a red banner with a white box containing a red cardinal logo on the left and the text "Ell-Saline USD 307" on the right. Below the banner is a black navigation bar with white text and icons for "District Office", "Elementary", "MS/HS", "Parents", "Crisis Help Center", "Resources", "Calendar", and "Contact Us". A second row of navigation includes "News", "Calendar", "Athletics", and "Staff". The main content area has a white background with a red "MS/HS" heading. Below this, there is a section titled "HS Course Catalog" with a sub-heading "HS Course Catalog" and a paragraph of text: "This is the proposed [2025-2026 Course Catalog](#). Please note that this document is pending board approval and is subject to revisions. We will update the guide as necessary once finalized." To the right of the text are several small icons representing different file formats or actions. The text "ELL-SALINE" is visible in the bottom right corner of the content area.



Let's look at the enrollment form



Freshman Year Enrollment Form

Student Name: _____ Pathway/Career Interest: _____

Kansas Scholar Eli Saline

Kansas Scholar - Students are required to complete two years of the same foreign language, four years of math, and four years of science, including biology, chemistry, and physics. Completing this curriculum may make students eligible for certain state scholarships.

Eli Saline - Students are required to complete three years of math, and three years of science. Completing this curriculum will make students eligible for certain scholarships, but not Kansas Scholar Scholarships.

IEP 504 Plan ESL Gifted

Postsecondary Plan (circle one):
 4-year College/University 2-year College/University Tech/Voc School Military Workforce

Requires Courses	
1. English: English 1	
2. Math: Algebra 1	
3. Science: Earth/Space Science	
4. Health (one semester) and PE 1 (one semester)	
5. Computer Applications (STEM) (one semester) and Speech (one semester)	
Additional Course Options Courses in BOLD are yearlong, others are one semester	
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriscience	<input type="checkbox"/> Culinary Essentials
<input type="checkbox"/> Animal Science	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Studies
<input type="checkbox"/> Art 1 (Fine Arts)	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Growth & Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Business communication	<input type="checkbox"/> High School Vocal
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Essentials	<input type="checkbox"/> Intro to Family & Consumer Sci
<input type="checkbox"/> Career & Life Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Intro to Agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> Computer Graphics	<input type="checkbox"/> Music Technology
	<small>*prerequisite required</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition & Wellness	<input type="checkbox"/> Production Methods I Mechanical
<input type="checkbox"/> Production Welding I*	<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1
<input type="checkbox"/> Strength & Conditioning	<input type="checkbox"/> WoodWorking Principles

Alternates

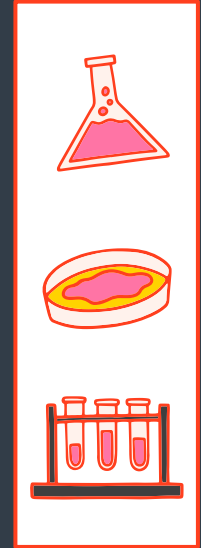
List some semester and year-long courses you would be willing to take in the event your first choices do not work out. List them in order of preference.

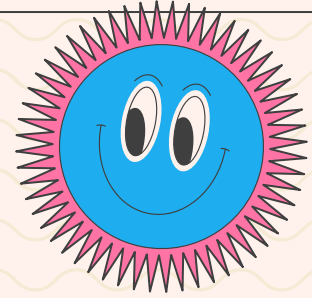
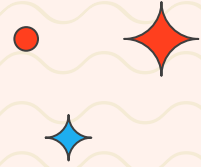
1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

If you COMMIT to a course and you are CAPABLE, you will be expected to COMPLETE the course.





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Transcripts

What is to come





ELL-SALINE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL - OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

414 E. Anderson
Brookville, KS 67425
785-914-5600 phone
785-225-6694 fax

STUDENT NAME: [REDACTED]

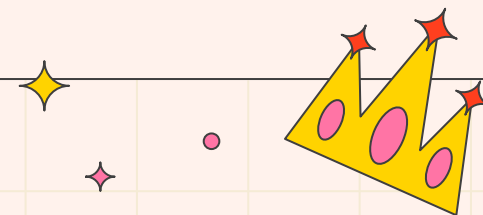
GRADE: 12

STUDENT ID: [REDACTED] BIRTHDATE: [REDACTED]

	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
23-24					
Advanced P.E. S1	A 0.500				
Advanced P.E. S2		A 0.500			
Algebra II S1	C 0.500				
Algebra II S2		C 0.500			
American History S1	B 0.500				
American History S2		A 0.500			
Animal Science S1	B 0.500				
Animal Science S2		D 0.500			
Art I S2		A 0.500			
Career and Life Planning		C 0.500			
English III S1	D 0.500				
English III S2		D 0.500			
Family Studies	A 0.500				
Production Welding Processes II S1	B 0.500				
22-23					
Advanced P.E. S1	A 0.500				
Advanced P.E. S2		A 0.500			
Biology S1	C 0.500				
Biology S2		C 0.500			
English I S1	B 0.500				
English II S1	B 0.500				
English II S2		C 0.500			
Family Studies		A 0.500			
Geometry S1	C 0.500				
Geometry S2		C 0.500			
Production Welding Processes I S1	B 0.500				
Production Welding Processes I S2		B 0.500			
World History S1	B 0.500				
World History S2		B 0.500			
21-22					
Computer Applications I (HS)	B 0.500				
Earth/Space Science S1	C 0.500				
Earth/Space Science S2		B 0.500			
English I S1	F 0.000				
English I S2		B 0.500			
Foundation of Algebra	A 0.500				
Intro. To Family and Consumer Sci.		B 0.500			
Nutrition and Wellness A	B 0.500				
P.E./Health S1	A 0.500				
P.E./Health S2		B 0.500			
Spanish I S1	A 0.500				
Spanish I S2		A 0.500			
Speech		B 0.500			
			A = 4.00 B = 3.00 C = 2.00 D = 1.00 F = 0 P = Passing N/C = No Credit GRADING SCALE A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=0-59	ACT - Composite ACT - Date	

Total Units Earned: 20.500
Cumulative GPA: 2.8571
Rank: 22 out of 32





Graduation REQUIREMENTS

Communications

- 4 years of English
- .5 year of Speech

STEM

- 3 years of Math
- 3 years of Science
- 1 year of STEM

Society & Humanities

- 3 years of Social Studies
- 1 year of a Fine Arts

Employability & Life Skills

- .5 year of Health
- .5 year of Physical Education
- 3 years of IPS Choices
- .5 year of Computer apps
- .5 year of Financial Literacy
- 1 year of Elective

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414 E. Anderson
 Brookville, KS 67425
 785-914-5600 phone
 785-225-6694 fax

STUDENT NAME: [REDACTED]
 GRADE: 9
 STUDENT ID: [REDACTED] BIRTHDATE: [REDACTED]

	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2		SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
			A = 4.00 B = 3.00 C = 2.00 D = 1.00 F = 0 P = Passing N/C = No Credit GRADING SCALE A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=0-59	ACT - Composite ACT - Date	

Total Units Earned: 0.000
 Cumulative GPA:
 Rank: 1 out of 35
 Graduated Date:

SIGNATURE

DATE



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04

Keep this in mind

Where do I start?





Class of 2029
Google Classroom

Class code:

4aekz3i



9TH GRADE COLLEGE PLANNING TIMELINE



PICK THE RIGHT MIX OF CLASSES

Make sure you're enrolled in the appropriate *college-prep* or *tech-prep* classes and that you're taking key core requirements, such as English, math, science, history, and a foreign language.



GET INVOLVED

Extracurricular activities are an important part of high school, but don't try to do every club, sport, or activity offered. Devote time to pursuing a few interests that you're passionate about. College admissions officers want a well-rounded student population, not a class of students who do a little of everything, but nothing well.



FALL



WINTER



MAKE THE GRADE

Grades are the thing, perhaps the most important thing. Getting off to a good start is a heck of a lot easier than digging yourself out of a hole. Although college seems like a long way off right now, freshman grades contribute to your overall GPA, a very important component of college admission and scholarships.



CONSIDER A COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN

Talk to your parents about planning for college expenses. If your family already has a *savings plan*, like a 529 plan, continue to add to it. If not, now is a great time to start saving for college.



SPRING/
SUMMER



MEET YOUR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

As soon as you can, set up a meeting to talk about your plans for high school and the future. This is the perfect chance to get your questions answered about what you need to do and how to set the best foundation for continued education after high school.



MAKE SUMMER COUNT

There are plenty of ways to have fun and build your credentials during the summer, such as volunteering, getting a job, or signing up for an enrichment program.



BUILD YOUR CREDENTIALS

Keep track of academic and extracurricular awards, community service achievements, and anything else you participate in, so it'll be easier to remember later. This will come in handy when you're filling out college applications or creating a resume.



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Your choices today shape your opportunities tomorrow. Make every decision count, because the path to your future starts today.

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