

MILLER PLACE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Students:


On Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at 7:05 a.m., Miller Place High School will open its doors to welcome the Class of 2025 and the rest of the student body. I am excited for the 2021-2022 school year to continue to serve as the Principal of the High School and look forward to getting to know more of you over the course of the school year.


Attached in this email you will find information for parents and students designed to foster a successful school year and to enhance the educational process.

-  Please carefully review the summarized attendance policy as the failure to adhere to this policy may result in the denial of course credit. Additionally, please be aware that the Miller Place School District Retention Policy can be found on the school district website under the Board of Education Policy Information.

-  Students who participate in extra-curricular activities must be academically eligible. Please review the enclosed summarized eligibility policy and visit this hyperlink to view the [club offering guide](#).

-  Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) is a New York State Anti-Bullying law that was signed into legislation and is in effect as of July 1, 2012. The Dignity Act promotes civility and creates a safe, nurturing environment for students who are harassed and/or bullied by their peers or school personnel while students are on school property or at a school sponsored function, based on actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or sex. Building coordinator information is provided.

-  In order to promote an atmosphere conducive to learning and to provide our students with guidelines to facilitate appropriate decision-making skills, Miller Place High School has adopted an electronic cigarette and student dress code policies. Please review, discuss, and adhere to the information outlined on each document.

-  If your child's schedule (grades 11-12) allows for early release because classes are not scheduled through 9th period, a form must be obtained in the Main Office. BOCES students need to pick-up this Early Dismissal Form (pink) to leave school early in the event BOCES has a conference day at their specific site, thus canceling classes.

Successful students demonstrate the qualities of punctuality, participation, preparedness, and perseverance in pursuing their goals. Please reflect on the following critical advice to help your child be more successful:

- ❖ School Tool is a valuable means to open conversation with you and your child regarding his/her grades, attendance, and discipline. School Tool's Parent Portal allows you to monitor tests, homework/class work, classes attended and documented misbehavior. School Tool is the official documentation used for grade reporting. Google classroom will provide your child/children with assignments and allow for valuable student-teacher communication. Your username and password for School Tool can be obtained from Central Office. All of this information can assist you, prior to calling the school, in ascertaining the necessary information to help your child be more successful.
- ❖ Those students partaking in Advanced Placement courses this 2021-22 school year, a letter from Assistant Principal, Sean White has been included which delineates College Board deadlines and costs.
- ❖ If special education services and information is needed, central office contacts are provided within these documents.
- ❖ Make sure your child arrives to school on time. Stress the importance of arriving to class before the bell sounds. School begins at 7:05 a.m. Students should be in school by 6:55 a.m. The bell schedule is included.
- ❖ Encourage your child to join one of the many clubs, teams and activities we offer. The most successful students in college and in life are those who participated in a variety of activities in their high school careers.
- ❖ Lastly, we encourage your child to ask questions when encountering an obstacle in turn becoming an active participant in their education.

The administration, faculty and staff of Miller Place High School are excited about the upcoming school year. We look forward to working with our parents and students and will continue to seek your involvement and cooperation. We welcome you to join us on *Open School Night* Thursday, September 23, 2021. We are eager to begin a year rich with successful educational experiences and achievements.

Sincerely,



Kevin M. Slavin
Principal