



# Preparing for High School Ms. Tam Lai

Granada School  
2017-2018

# Welcome Parents!

- Goals:
  - To help parents understand the high school process
  - To share information about how parents can support their child's learning
  - To inform parents about the high school timeline for 8<sup>th</sup> graders

# What can I expect?

- Larger school and more peers
- New teachers and administrators
- Graduation requirements
- Different school system
- Assigned a school counselor
- Higher academic expectations/transition into college
- Students will have sports and/or extra curricular activities



# Different Bell Schedule

## Alhambra High School

Period	Start	End
<b>1</b>	<b>7:41</b>	8:37
2	8:45	9:41
3	9:49	10:45
4	10:53	11:51
5	12:37	1:33
6	1:41	<b>2:37</b>

## Mark Keppel High School

Period	Start	End
<b>1</b>	<b>7:45</b>	8:41
2	8:49	9:45
3	9:53	10:49
4	10:57	11:55
5	12:41	1:37
6	1:45	<b>2:41</b>

## San Gabriel High School

Period	Start	End
<b>1</b>	<b>8:00</b>	8:56
2	9:04	10:02
3	10:10	11:06
4	11:14	12:06
5	12:58	1:54
6	2:02	<b>2:58</b>

# Semester vs. Trimester

- High School
- 2 graded sessions per year
- Progress report in the middle of each semester

- Elementary
- 3 graded sessions per year
- Progress report in the middle of each trimester

# HIGH SCHOOL credits MATTER

- D or better = DIPLOMA
- C or better = COLLEGE

# High School Graduation Requirements

English	<b>4 years = 40 credits</b>
History/Social Science	<b>3 classes = 30 credits</b>
Math	<b>3 classes = 30 credits</b>
Science (Life and Physical)	<b>2 classes = 20 credits</b>
Physical Education -PE	<b>2 classes = 20 credits</b>
Foreign Language or Arts	<b>1 class = 10 credits</b>
Career Exploration Class	<b>1 class = 10 credits</b>
Electives	<b>6 classes = 60 credits</b>
	<b>Total 220 credits</b>

D or better = DIPLOMA

# What's a HIGH SCHOOL schedule like?

- Class Schedule for 9<sup>th</sup> grade student

<b>ENGLISH</b>
<b>MATH</b>
<b>BIOLOGY</b>
<b>PE</b>
<b>Get focused stay focused/Career</b>
<b>ELECTIVE</b>

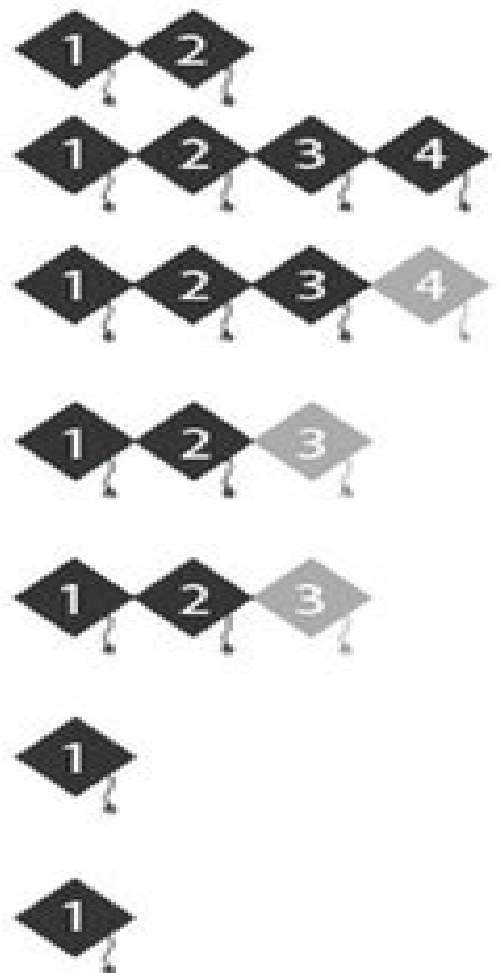
\*\*\*\*\*Classes might not in order as listed

\*\*\*\*\*Honor/AP classes are 1 year commitment, cannot be dropped



# A-G requirements

<b>A History</b> 2 Years Required
<b>B English</b> 4 Years Required
<b>C Mathematics</b> 3 Years Required 4 Years Recommended
<b>D Laboratory Science</b> 2 Years Required 3 Years Recommended
<b>E Foreign Language</b> 2 Years Required 3 Years Recommended
<b>F Visual and Performing Arts</b> 1 Year Required
<b>G College Prep Elected</b> 1 Year Required



Grade C or better required

\* Grades of C or better required.

## ACTIVITY

Will this student **graduate** from HS?

# How can PARENTS support?

- Make sure that students ATTEND school daily, on time
- Check parent's PORTAL
- Keep a CONSISTENT schedule at home
- Make sure students are prepared with SCHOOL SUPPLIES
- Make sure students finish HOMEWORK and SCHOOL WORK
- Encourage students to ASK QUESTION when unsure: ask teachers for help, ask classmates for clarification, etc.

# A Successful Student...

- Attends school daily, prepared to learn
- Accepts responsibility for learning
- Gets involved in school beyond the classroom
- Seeks support when needed



# GRADES ARE IMPORTANT

- Builds positive habits
- Intervention Advisors look at grades when selecting high school courses (T1 and T2) and previous test scores
- School Counselors look at final grades and test scores when finalizing the schedule
- Coaches look at final grades and attendance/behavior

# High School Programs

- **PODER**: college preparation program
- **Early College Program**
- Different **Academy** Programs at high schools
- Sports

\*\*\*\* Info will be sent home for PODER and Early College Programs

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Timeline

- December

- Parent workshop
- High School/College presentation for students

- January

- Challenge Test (Students can receive Foreign Language High School Credit)
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade high school class selection presentation
- 1:1 student meeting to finalize high school class selection
- Students will receive high school packets

- February

- 1:1 student meeting to finalize high school class selection
- 8<sup>th</sup> graders visit high school
- Special Program info go home: PODER, Early College Program