



Suggested Calendar for Schools for Planning Family Engagement in the Transition to High School

Potential Communications/Events		
(There are many ideas here to choose among -- probably not be possible to do them all. And providing information to families outside of events is not necessarily tied to certain dates on the calendar.)		
Grade 9 Schools		Grade 8 Schools
August	Rising 9 th grade family orientation (prior to school opening)	
September	Back to School night with special attention to 9 th grade family communications Parent Portal registration and training <i>(this training can continue throughout the year)</i>	Back to School night
October		Parent Portal registration and training <i>(this training can continue throughout the year)</i>
November	Conferences/communications about 1 st Q report cards	"Planning ahead for HS" night
December		
January		Use student-family homework assignments to communicate about transition to HS <i>(can be done almost anytime during year)</i>
February	Conferences/communications about 2nd Q report cards	HS Information Night <i>(with Alumni 8th grade student and/or family panel to discuss transition to HS)</i>
March		
April	Collaborate with feeder schools to provide information about 9 th grade course registration	Collaborate with feeder high schools to provide information about 9 th grade course registration
May	Welcome events for rising 9 th grade families	
June		Include information on transition to HS in 8 th grade promotion events