Freshman Seminar
Senior Mentoring









National Statistics

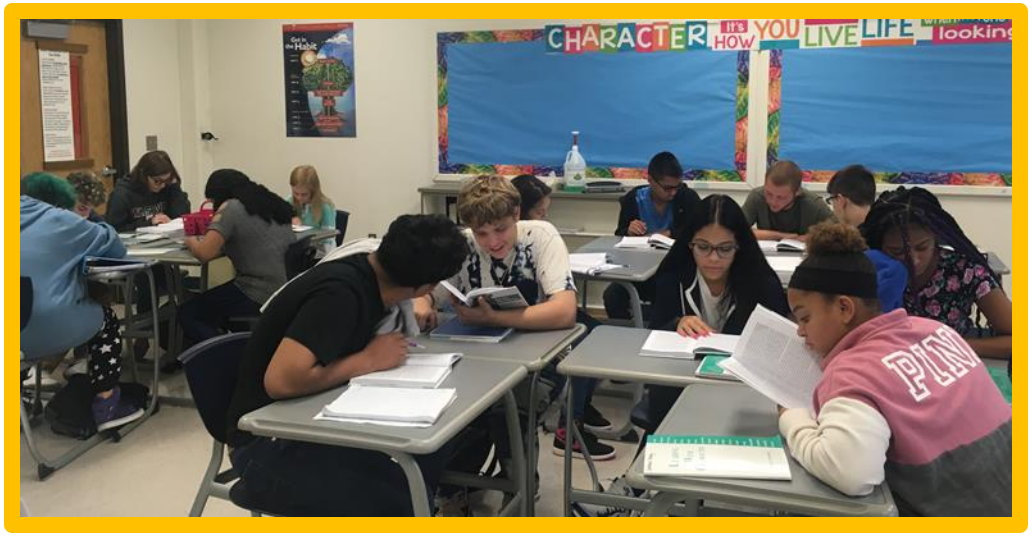
- Nationally—9th grade is the most difficult transition year in the academic lives of our children.
  - Greatest failure rate in high school occurs in grade nine.
  - Students who fail the 9th grade are 50% less likely to graduate.
  - 45% of dropouts reported that they entered high school unprepared for rigorous studies.



Our Needs

- Cumberland Regional students come from 5 sending districts, making 9th grade a difficult transition.
- Our 9th grade students come with a wide range of organizational, social, and academic skills.





Vision- Freshman Seminar

- 60 identified students will be scheduled into Freshman Seminar to assist with their transition into Cumberland Regional High School. 21 role model Senior Mentors will be scheduled into Senior Mentoring.





Vision- Freshman Seminar

This course will promote life application skills, which are essential for academic and personal success.

- **Orientation to High School-** School policies, clubs & activities, school support systems
- **Study & Organizational Skills-** Test-taking strategies, note-taking, time management, interview preparation, goal setting, creating action plans to improve grades
- **Cooperative Learning-** Group problem solving, peer mediation, team building, conflict resolution
- **Character Education-** *Role Models: Examples of Character & Leadership*
- **Support for our Freshmen** –Teacher & Mentor support, Colt Connection, one-one Mentor counseling

Mentor Responsibilities

- Serve as a role model- eyes on you in & out of class
  - Honor Code
- Co-teach class with teacher
  - Model activities
  - Facilitate & participate in classroom discussion
  - Agenda checks
  - Read & comment - student journals
  - Facilitate small group learning
- Provide academic, social, & emotional support to assigned freshmen



How Will Mentors be Graded?

- Senior Mentors take Freshman Seminar as an elective (Honors credit)
- Mentor Effectiveness Rubric - end of MP 1 and MP 2
- Weekly Logs
- Weekly Reflection Papers
- Final Exam - Reflection
- Group & Individual Projects
  - This course provides skills to prepare you for college!



Mentor Selection Process

Selection

- Grade Point Average
  - A-B Average
- Administration and Teacher/Guidance Recommendations
- Student Interest in Leadership Roles
  - Peer Leadership Course
- Student Involvement in Clubs/Activities/Athletics
- 21 seniors will be Mentors for 3 different sections/classes for the 2019-2020 school year

Process

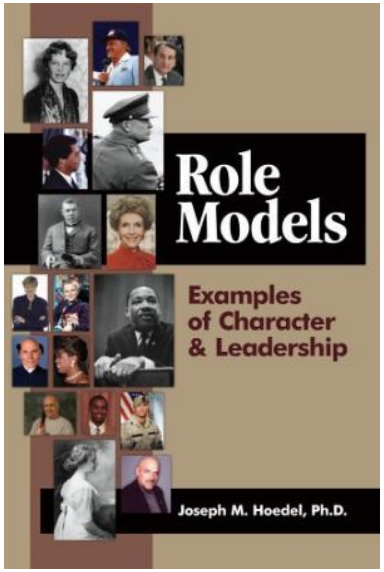
- Motivation/Interest of Students
- Application Given–3/13
- Applications Due–3/20
- Group Interviews–4/10, 4/11, 4/12
- Parent Mentor Night—5/21
- Mentor/Mentor Recruit Panel – 5/29 & 5/30
- MANDATORY Summer Training– 8/5-8/7
- Official Mentor in September

Curriculum

- Textbooks –*Role Models: Examples of Character & Leadership*
- Projects:
  - Red Ribbon Week Project
  - Career Goals Project
  - Role Model Project



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Mentors and Mentees Answer Questions about their Experience

- CRHS Mentoring Video



The Mentor Experience

Welcome Video Class of 2022





The Mentor Experience



Taylor Hulitt



Jenna Gardner

Questions?

