

# Freshman Fundamentals 2021-2022

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Van Buren Freshman Academy 821 Pointer Trail East Van Buren, AR 72956 (479)471-3160 Van Buren High School Freshman Academy reserves the right to address inappropriate conduct which disrupts the learning environment in the school even though such behavior is not specified in the following written rules. Information contained in this handbook does not supersede Van Buren School District Policy.

## **Notice of Non-Discrimination**

Van Buren Schools shall establish and maintain an atmosphere in which all persons can develop attitudes and skills for effective, cooperative living including respect for the individual regardless of economic status, intellectual ability, race, creed, color, religion, gender, or age.

#### **Our Vision:**

We will develop all Freshmen to their fullest potential for success in high school and beyond.

#### **Our Mission:**

Empowering students to discover their potential, set goals, and develop plans to reach them.

#### **Our Motto:**

Learning today, leading tomorrow.

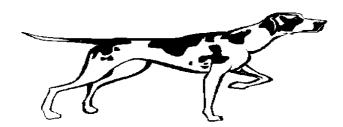
#### **Our Core Beliefs:**

We Believe...

- Each student has value, worth and a purpose.
- In developing all aspects of the individual, including positive character and social skills.
- In building a solid foundation for a successful future both in school and life.
- Students learn through a variety of educational experiences and should be empowered by learning environments that meet their needs intellectually, socially, physically and emotionally.
- The educational experience is a shared responsibility among staff, students, parents and community.

# **VBHS Alma Mater**

In Arkansas you'll find us
With all our main and might
We'll shout aloud forever
Our love for the Green and White
Three cheers for Van Buren High School
She loves the truth and right
All hail the Alma Mater, All hail the Green and White...
GO DOGS!



# Van Buren Freshman Academy Student Handbook 2021-2022

#### Parents/Guardians and Students:

Welcome to the 2021-22 school year!

We're excited for this upcoming year and the incredible opportunities that it holds. Our students are the future leaders of the world's organizations, companies, and communities, so our approach to teaching and learning reflects that. Our goal is to provide you with the very best educational experience possible. We have high expectations for every student; however, we understand all students learn differently, and we will support students as they challenge themselves to meet and exceed those expectations.

Every student at the Freshman Academy is important, and all students have a place here. From our wide range of course offerings and extracurricular programs to our personalized Advisory program that includes clubs for everyone, you will be able to pursue your passions and discover new interests this year. I want to encourage you to try new classes, participate in clubs and activities, and establish new friendships. Take advantage of the opportunities available to you as we all work together to prepare for high school and beyond.

One specific initiative we are happy to be able to provide for students is one-to-one chromebooks, where each student will receive a chromebook, charging cord, and carrying case to use for the year. Much of our coursework takes advantage of the technology available to us, so it is important to us that students have all the resources they need to be successful. Along with the benefit of having a chromebook, though, comes the responsibility of taking care of it. Students will be expected to bring their chromebook to school each day, keep it charged, and avoid damaging it.

Parents/Guardians, thank you for partnering with us to support your student socially, emotionally, and academically. It is through the combined efforts of students, families, and staff that students can reach their full potential. We're excited to work with you to build tomorrow's leaders!

Whatever It Takes.

Michael Hensley Principal, Van Buren Freshman Academy

We will adhere to District, State, and Federal Guidelines concerning safety measures for Covid-19. Procedures will be adjusted depending on the guidelines provided. Our desire is for students to have the most pleasant and meaningful experience possible at the Freshman Academy while remaining healthy and safe. We are introducing several measures to promote health, safety, and effective learning.

# Section 1: Student Procedures

**Attendance -** Regular school attendance is vital to the overall academic success of every student. Van Buren Freshman Academy will follow VBSD board policy 4.2 – Student Attendance

# **Attendance Procedures for VBFA Students:**

- All doctors/dentists notes must be turned in to the office.
- A written note or email must be given to one of the secretaries in the office within 5 school days for an absence to be excused by parent permission.
- Any student who missed over ten minutes of class will be counted absent for that class.
- Students who accumulate more than 10 unexcused absences in an individual class during a semester may be denied course credit. Students will be allowed six excused absences per semester(without doctor's note) – any absence after the six excused absence days will be counted as unexcused (without a doctor's note).
- Students may be assigned Saturday school to reduce their number of absences in an effort to retain/regain course credit in an individual class.

# **Attendance Appeals Committee**

Students have the right to petition for credit which has been denied to be reinstated. The Attendance Appeals Committee will meet as needed and will consist of an administrator, a counselor, at least one faculty member and the attendance secretary.

# Anti-Bullying/Cyber-Bullying Policy

Students will follow VBSD board policy – Student Conduct - Bullying 4.3.6 To ensure a safe environment, VBFA requires all students to report bullying to a teacher, counselor and/or administrator.

# **Bell Schedules:**

Regular Day Bell Schedule

Per.	Time	Per.	Time
1	8:00 – 8:50	1	8:00 – 8:50
2	8:55 – 9:45	2	8:55 – 9:45
3	9:50 – 10:45	3	9:50 – 10:45
Lunch	10:45 – 11:15	4	10:50 – 11:45
Α			
4	11:20 – 12:15	Lunch	11:45 – 12:15
		В	
5	12:20 – 1:10	5	12:20 – 1:10
6	1:15 – 2:05	6	1:15 – 2:05
7	2:10 – 3:00	7	2:10 – 3:00

Per.	Time	Per.	Time
1	8:00 – 8:45	1	8:00 – 8:45
Event	8:50 – 9:30	Event	8:50 – 9:30
2	9:35 – 10:20	2	9:35 – 10 :20
3	10:25 – 11:10	3	10:25 – 11:10
Lunch	11:10 – 11:40	4	11:15 – 12:00
Α			
4	11:45 – 12:30	Lunch	12:00 – 12:30
		В	
5	12:35 – 1:20	5	12:35 – 1:20
6	1:25 – 2:10	6	1:25 – 2:10
7	2:15 – 3:00	7	2:15 – 3:00

The office will announce other special schedules as they become necessary.

#### **Cell Phones and Electronic Devices**

Students may properly use electronic devices before school, between classes, during lunch, or after school. Personal use of cell phones is prohibited in classrooms. Any exceptions are at the teacher's discretion.

If listening to music during appropriate times, students must keep one ear clear or free from headphones for safety purposes.

- First offense: Device will be confiscated students will receive at the end of the school day.
- <u>Second offense</u>: Device will be confiscated parent/guardian will be required to collect device between hours of 2:00 – 4:00 on day it was taken, or during office hours for any days following. Refusal to turn over device will result in a minimum of one day of ISS.
- <u>Third offense</u>: Device will be confiscated parent/guardian will be required to collect device between hours of 2:00 – 4:00 on day it was taken, or during office hours for any days following. Refusal to turn over device will result in a minimum of one day of ISS. Loss of phone privileges.

The use of electronic devices is a privilege. Using electronic devices to take, transmit, or disperse images which disrupt the learning environment will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action as determined by school administration.

# VBFA DOES NOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOST OR STOLEN ITEMS MENTIONED ABOVE.

## **Closed Campus**

Van Buren Freshman Academy is a closed campus. A student is expected to arrive on campus before school begins in the morning and remain on campus until the close of the school day. If it becomes necessary to leave campus during the school day, the student must be checked out through the office. In order to check a student out, a parent/guardian must pick-up, call the office, email, or send a note stating the time that the student needs to check out. The person that picks-up the student

must come in the office and sign the student out. Parents may check students out for lunch if they come in the office and sign their student out. Students may not leave campus for lunch based on a phone call or note from the parent.

Students leaving and returning to campus will be subject to disciplinary action. This includes leaving campus at the close of the school day and returning for a ride home.

# **Computer Usage**

All students at VBHS Freshman Academy will be assigned a chromebook, charging cord, and carrying case to use at school and home for the school year. Chromebooks will be handed out at the beginning of the school year and collected at the end of the school year. Students shall abide by the District and school's "Acceptable Use Policy" (District Policy Handbook), including proper use of printers. It is the responsibility of the student to bring his or her chromebook to school each day, keep it charged, and avoid any damages. Failure to do so will result in loss of privileges, payment of damages, and any other discipline or punishments set out by VBHS-FA or federal authorities.

#### **Conduct Behavior Code**

Students will follow all procedures according to VBSD board policy – Student Conduct Behavior Code 4.3

- Fighting or violent behavior will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Students who fight will be suspended a minimum of three days for the first offense and may have assigned seating at breakfast and lunch when they return. A second offense will result in a minimum suspension of five days and the student(s) may be referred to the Izard Center. Students may be arrested and charged. Students who are caught recording a violent offense may be charged with conspiracy to commit battery and may receive the same punishment as the offenders.
- Weapons of any kind are prohibited on campus or at school events. Any look-alike, such as a
  toy gun, air soft gun, etc. are also prohibited. Possession of weapons other than firearms will
  result in a minimum 10-day suspension. Possession of firearms will result in a
  recommendation for expulsion for one calendar year (365 days.)

# Dress Code - Students will follow VBSD board policy - 4.3.4 - Appearance code

Examples of dress, which would be considered disruptive to the learning environment, are:

- Straps and tank tops not meeting the width of a dollar bill
- Shorts not meeting length of mid thigh
- Holes in jeans being higher than mid-thigh
- Any hat or cap.

\*These examples are not all-inclusive; the administration and teaching staff reserve the right to make final decisions on dress issues.

Students who dress inappropriately may call home in order to have appropriate attire brought to the school by a parent/guardian or will be given appropriate attire provided by the school.

## **Early Arrival**

At the Freshman Academy, the doors will open at 7:15 and students will immediately report to the indoor courtyard.

# **Early Check-Out Procedure**

All students are required to have their parent/guardian sign them out in the office. Any student who misses more than 10 minutes of class will be counted absent for that period.

#### **Hall Passes**

Students at the Freshman Academy will only be allowed in the halls during class with a principal approved hall pass in their possession.

# **HEALTH SCREENINGS (state mandated)**

Vision: (A.C.A. 6-18-1501)

Act 1438 of 2005 requires students in grades PreK, KF, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, and transfer students to have an eye and vision screen. Only failure notifications are sent home. A child who does not pass the screening shall be required to have an exam conducted by an optometrist or ophthalmologist within 60 days of receipt of the screening report and show proof of the exam. Parents needing financial assistance should contact the school nurse. *Hearing* 

Hearing screens are mandated for students in grades PreK, K, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, and transfer students. Only failure notices are sent home. Parents have 60 days to show proof that a doctor or audiologist examined their child.

 Insurance is billed for students covered under Medicaid/Arkansas Kids 1<sup>st</sup> will be billed, where applicable, for hearing and vision screenings conducted at school unless notified in writing, by parents to decline within 60 days of receipt of the handbook.

BMI: (ARK Code 20-7-133 and 3.04)

Act 1220 requires students in grades KF, 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 to have their height and weight assessed. A parent who refuses to have their child assessed must provide a written request of the refusal to the school. Screening results will be sent home only upon request of the parent/legal guardian.

Scoliosis: Act 95 of 1989 and Act 41 of 1987

The acts require girls in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and all students in 8<sup>th</sup> grade be screened for scoliosis. Parents of a child who fails the screening will be sent an information letter stating the need to see a licensed physician. A parent, who refuses to have their child screened, must provide a written request of refusal to the school.

#### **Internet Acceptable Use**

See VBSD Board Policy 3.18

## In School Suspension (ISS)

Students will be assigned by the Principal's Office to ISS when events or disciplinary action necessitate removal of the student from the classroom. Students will serve ISS at the Freshman Academy campus from 8 AM to 3 PM. Students will be supervised and all classroom assignments will be provided for each assigned student. Students are expected to complete these assignments before returning to class.

Students will be considered present at school when attending ISS.

A student should not be assigned to ISS for more than ten (10) days within a school year. Disciplinary infractions beyond the ten (10) day ISS limit may result in Administrative Disciplinary Action.

# Lockers

Lockers will not be used this year. Students should bring a backpack or something to carry their materials to class with them. Many required materials have been replaced by chromebooks, so the amount of supplies needed should not be excessive; however, accommodations can be made if

needed.

#### Lost and Found

At the VBHS Freshman Academy, lost and found is located in room 203C across from the office.

#### Lunch

Students will not be allowed to have food delivered to school by a restaurant. Food brought from outside the school by a parent may not be shared with other students.

#### **Media Center**

Students at VBFA have the privilege of using the media center for research and study skills, recreational reading, and exploring and retrieving information by way of an automated library program and the Internet. The library is open from 7:25 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily. Admittance during class time is allowed only by way of a principal approved hall pass that will be issued by the classroom teacher. Overdue charges will be assessed at 10 cents per day for library material. Students should renew material in order to avoid fines and then clear all fines in a timely manner. It is the responsibility of the students to return books when due.

#### **Medical Policies**

Students will follow board policy 4.12 – Health Services and 4.14 – Communicable Diseases.

The office of the school nurse is located just to the right of the main office on the right side of the hallway. A supply of first aid materials are kept on hand in the nurse's office. Please do not enter the nurses station without permission.

#### **MEDICATION**

In order for your child to take medication at school it must be brought to the office by a parent or guardian and a permission form signed. Permission forms are available in the school office and on the Van Buren School District website. STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO TRANSPORT PRESCRIPTION OR NON-PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS. MEDICATION BROUGHT TO SCHOOL BY A STUDENT WILL BE CONFISCATED AND WILL NOT BE ADMINISTERED.

Transportation of medications via school buses is strictly prohibited. The exception is self-carry emergency medications which are limited to asthma inhalers, epinephrine, and/or insulin. If your student is required to self-carry an emergency medication, a parent/guardian will need to meet with the nurse BEFORE school starts or when the need arises. All medication must be in the original bottle. Prescription medications must also be properly labeled with the child's name, doctor's name, current date, and dosage. We will not accept any over-the-counter medication without a doctor's note. Our medication guidelines are strictly enforced.

# **Non-Nutritional Days**

The Arkansas Department of Education has passed rules governing nutrition. standards in Arkansas Public Schools. These rules have an effect on what food item parents are allowed to send to school.

- Elementary students will not have access to vended (sold or given away) food and beverage Items anytime, anywhere on school premises during the declared school day.
- This does not apply to students with special needs Indicated in the student IEP or to school nurses providing health care to individual students.
- Students may be given any food and/or beverage Items for up to nine (9) different school events each school year to be determined and approved by school officials.

- Nutritional foods may be used for instructional purposes. The school, as part of the planned Instructional program, may also distribute nutritional snacks (kindergarten snacks for example).
- This does not restrict what parents may provide for their own child's lunch or snack.
- To meet state regulations (law), we must ask parents not to provide food/beverage Items to
  other children at school for events such as birthday parties. Parents may provide
  food/beverage Items upon request to support one of up to nine (9) allowable events such as
  Valentine's Day.

# **Public Display of Affection**

Public displays of affection will not be allowed on the VBHS-FA campus. Any students engaged in PDA will be sent to the office. Students may not have body contact by hugging, kissing, holding hands, etc. Minimum consequences are as follows:

- 1st offense Warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> offense Detention or 1 day ISS
- 3<sup>rd</sup> offense or more 1 or more days ISS

# **Safety Drills**

Fire, Tornado, Evacuation and Lockdown drills will be performed throughout the school year. Students will follow procedures as directed by staff.

#### Search and Seizure

Authority to do Reasonable Suspicion searches was established by VBSD board policy 4.4. (See District Student Policy Handbook.)

# **Student Parking**

At the VBHS Freshman Academy, Freshman Academy students are not allowed to park on campus without Principal Approval.

#### **Student Participation at School Sponsored Activities**

Students will follow all District and AAA Guidelines

## **Tardy Policy**

Disciplinary actions for tardiness may result in the following:

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Tardies within a class in a semester...Teacher Warning
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Tardy within a class in a semester...Teacher warning and parent notification via disciplinary slip. Student will return the disciplinary slip to teacher with parent signature the following day to avoid disciplinary action.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Tardy within a class in a semester ... Disciplinary referral and 1 day of detention
- 5<sup>th</sup> Tardy within a class in a semester ... Disciplinary referral and 3 days of detention.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Tardy within a class in a semester ... Disciplinary referral and 1 day of ISS.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Tardy within a class in a semester ... Disciplinary referral and 1 day of Saturday School.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Tardy within a class in a semester ... Disciplinary action at the discretion of the Principal.

#### **Textbooks**

Textbooks will be available for checkout from the library for each class and students will be responsible for payments for lost or damaged textbooks.

# **Tobacco, E-Cigarettes, and Tobacco Products**

Tobacco and tobacco products of any kind are prohibited on school property or at school events. This includes using or being in the possession of any tobacco or nicotine delivery system or product.

Specifically, the prohibition includes any product that is manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as e-cigarettes, e-cigars, e-pipes, or under any other name or descriptor. E-cigarettes are prohibited and will be treated as tobacco. The delivery device or instrument will be destroyed as provided in ACA. 5-78-102 (2015). Minimum consequences are as follows;

- 1st Offense -- 3 days ISS, confiscation of tobacco materials, and parent notification
- 2nd Offense -- 5 days ISS, confiscation of tobacco materials, and parent notification
- 3rd Offense -- 3 days ISS, 2 days Saturday School, confiscation of tobacco materials, and parent notification
- 4th Offense or more -- Disciplinary action at the discretion of the Principal.

# **Truancy**

A student who is absent without parent/guardian consent is considered truant. A student is also truant if he/she leaves school without permission, he/she obtains a pass and does not report to the place for which the pass was obtained, or he/she does not report to his/her assigned class.

Truancies are cumulative and the minimum consequences are:

- 1st offense within a semester results in 1 day in ISS and a parent notification.
- 2nd offense within a semester results in 2 days in ISS and parent notification
- 3rd offense within a semester results in 2 days in ISS, 1 day in Saturday School, and parent notification.
- 4th offense or more within a semester results in parent notification and Administrative Disciplinary Action.

# Video surveillance and other student monitoring

Video/recording devices may be in use in school buildings, on school grounds, and in school vehicles as determined by the VBSD. Refer to policy 4.48.

#### **Visitors**

Visitors will follow board policy 4.19 – Contact with Student While at School and 6.11 – Visitors to the School. All visitors to VBHS-FA MUST report to the office first.

# Section 2: Academics

# **Academic Academy Awards**

Students who meet the following qualifications at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter are eligible to participate in the Annual Academic Academy Awards Banquet.

Cumulative GPA of 3.75

Department Honors recommended by teachers

Students of the Month

## **Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship**

This scholarship is sponsored by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education to recognize selected students for scholastic achievement as measured by their academic records and ACT scores. The AACS is a four year scholarship of an amount to be determined by the state each year to students in financial need who score a composite "Super" score of 19 or better on the ACT.

# **Diploma Information**

Students will follow board policy 5.14 – Graduation Requirements.

Students may earn a College Prep, College Prep with Honors, or College Prep with High Honors

diploma by obtaining 23 credits and meeting additional requirements listed in the course catalog.

Students may earn a Smart Core or General Core diploma by obtaining 22 credits and meeting all state requirements.

# **Enrollment on the High School Campus**

Students must complete four credits with passing grades to be enrolled as a sophomore on the Van Buren High School campus. Students with three credits may be conditionally enrolled with High School principal approval.

# **Extracurricular Eligibility**

Students will follow board policy 5.6 – Interscholastic Activities.

#### **Grades**

Students will follow board policy 5.10 – Grading Policy. Students and parents may access student grades through the Home Access Center or the eSchoolPlus Family app. App may be downloaded from the iPhone app store or from Android's Google Play store. Please contact Tammy Poole, Parent Involvement Coordinator, for passwords.

# **Grade Point Average (GPA)**

Students will follow board policy 5.21 – Grade Point Average.

GPA will be based on grades earned in academic courses in grades nine through twelve. Official GPA will be ranked on a 4.0 scale.

# **Homework Policy**

Students will follow board policy 5.11 – Homework Policy.

\*Honors classes are exempt from the homework policy as they are to prepare for rigorous guidelines of AP coursework set by College Board.

## Make-Up Work

Students will follow board policy 4.2 – Student Attendance.

Students and/or parents will have the responsibility of acquiring the work they have missed. Students who are absent for multiple days may request that missed assignments be collected for pick up in the office.

# **Plagiarism**

Plagiarism is defined as quoting, paraphrasing, or summarizing someone else's words or ideas without giving credit to that person or source. It is characterized by claiming work published in print, on digital media, such as CD or Internet, as one's own. Copying assignments could be construed as plagiarism as well. The penalty for plagiarism will be a minimum reprimand and notification of the parent, but could also constitute an F in a class in its most blatant or severe form.

## **Schedule Changes**

If space allows, schedule changes must be made before the end of the first two weeks of both semesters. Students must present a valid reason for the change. Changing schedules to arrange lunch times or because they do not "like" a teacher are not valid reasons. After these deadlines, students must stay in their classes until the end of the semester. Students may be placed in only one non-credit class per semester.

#### **Semester Assessments**

In all classes, students may be given a cumulative semester assessment at the end of each semester. These semester assessments may count for up to 10% of the student's grade for the semester.

# **Semester Test Exemptions**

Students who have an A, B, or C in a class and have only (3) excused absences (these include medical) or less in that class have the option of being exempt from the semester test in that class. Any unexcused absences, in school suspensions, or out of school suspensions will make a student ineligible for the exemption. School business will not count as an absence. If a student who is exempt chooses to take the test their grade may not be lowered from the result of that test. Honors, AP, or Concurrent may not be exempt (teacher/class discretion).

# Resolution of Parental/Patron Concerns- See school board policy 4.3.9

Individuals with complaints concerning personnel, curriculum, and student discipline (including specific discipline policies), or other day-to-day operational or management issues should address those complaints according to the following sequence:

Level One: Teacher or other staff member against whom the complaint is directed

Level Two: Principal (or appropriate supervisor) Level Three: Superintendent (or designee)

# Van Buren Freshman Academy

# **Parent and Family Engagement Plan**

#### 2021-2022

#### Purpose:

The Van Buren Freshman Academy has created this policy because we know that the more involved a parent is in their child's education the more likely that child is to succeed! We want all parents to be informed about how they can become involved.

#### Our goals are:

- Inform parents about how important they are to the child's success.
- To encourage parents to come to the school and get involved.
- To keep parents constantly informed and include them in our decision making process when it comes to their child.
- To teach parents what they need to know in order to help their child succeed.

#### **Improving School Communication with Parents**

The school will work to communicate with parents through newsletters, phone calls and email. Parents will be given access to the following items and contact information in order to help them stay informed.

- School calendar
- District Handbook
- School Handbook
- School personnel contact information
- Website and school contact information
- Weekly newsletter distribution
- Volunteering information
- Home Access Grade viewer information
- Facebook page
- Twitter Account

#### **Parental Involvement Activities:**

The Van Buren Freshman Academy will:

- Welcome parents into the school and recognize that parents are full partners in their child's education.
- Give a "Report to the Public" during a parent meeting. Regular parent meetings and parent-teacher conferences will be held.
- Make school performance reports available to parents.
- Provide professional development to the school staff on creating positive interactions between home and school.
- Provide parents with instructions and tutorials necessary for helping their students be successful during times of virtual learning.
- Include parents in the development of a school improvement plan and a Title I part A plan.
- Designate a parent involvement facilitator (Tammy Poole, 479-471-3160) with a current Arkansas teacher's license to organize meaningful training for staff and parents, and organizing and promoting a welcoming atmosphere for parental involvement.
- Post upcoming school events on the school website, the school announcements, the school flyer distribution system (Peachjar) and on social media.
- Invite and encourage incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents to participate in 9<sup>th</sup> grade orientation/Open House.
- Encourage 8<sup>th</sup> graders to attend 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent night in the spring semester to learn about course offering and career and post-secondary planning.
- Make online grade viewer passwords available at Open House and all year.
- Provide training as needed for the Home Access Grade viewer.

- Create a parent center in the library which provides parenting books and magazines in addition to access to students grades through use of the school computers.
- Survey parents about their volunteer interest through the Keystone classes.
- Survey parents about the effectiveness of the Parent and Family Engagement Plan.

Activities for parent involvement scheduled for the 2021-2022 school year:

- August 5th, 2021 5:00 Open House/Orientation, Title 1 Presentation to the public, Schedule pick-up and meet the teachers
- July 30, 2021 Parent Involvement meeting 8:15 a.m. in the Freshman Academy Library
- August 5, 2021 Parent Involvement meeting 5:30
- October 12, 2021 Parent Involvement meeting 5:30
- October 12th and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 3:30-6:30 Parent/Teacher conferences
- December 6-10, 2021 Fall Mock Job Interviews
- March 15th and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-6:30
- March Parent and Community Engagement survey
- May 16-20, 2022 Spring Mock Job Interviews
- May 23, 2022 Parent Involvement meeting 8:15 a.m. in the Freshman Academy Library
- Early May, Academy Awards Banquet
- Late April or early May, Freshman Formal
- Renaissance Rallies each quarter

Student Name

I have received a copy of the P	rental Involvement plan from the VBHS Freshman Academy.	
Parent Signature	Date	
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# **Signature Page**

After reading the Van Buren High School Freshman Academy student handbook with your child, this page must be signed, dated and returned to school.

I have read and discussed the material in this handbook with my child. I understand and agree that my child will abide with the rules and regulations set by the Van Buren School District and the Van Buren High School Freshman Academy

Student Name	Grade					
Student Signature	Date					
Parent Signature	Date					
Release of Info	rmation					
I hereby authorize emergency medical services for this student. I give VBSD staff permission to give my child first aid treatment with OTC ointments and pain relieving sprays, cough drops, band-aids and bandages. I hereby authorize the Van Buren School District Health Services to share or discuss my child's health issues with any <b>pertinent</b> person.						
Parent/l egal Guardian Signature	Nate:					