

Scheduling

On Monday, March 9 scheduling booklets will be handed out to freshmen, sophomores, and juniors in their English classes. Eighth graders will be receiving their scheduling packets during Freshmen Orientation at 7 pm on Thursday, March 19. The booklets will explain the steps needed to register for the 2015/16 school year as well as the classes that may be offered. Ninth through eleventh graders may register for their classes in PowerSchool beginning March 9; eighth graders will have access after orientation. Students must then complete their Educational Development Plan (EDP) in Career Cruising, print it off, sign it along with a parent/guardian, and return it to Mrs. Smith **no later than March 20 (9th – 11th graders)/March 25 (8th graders)**. Directions for completing the EDP, as well as entering classes in to PowerSchool, can be found in the scheduling booklet. REMEMBER—both steps must be completed by March 20 (9th – 11th gr)/March 25 (8th gr).

For students that don't have the internet or a printer at home, Mrs. Smith will be in the computer lab during lunch a few days for assistance. In addition, the public library is available on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 7pm.

If you or your student would like some help in selecting classes and/or going over credits, appointments can be made with Mrs. Smith via phone at 810-266-4620 or via email at smith@byron.k12.mi.us.

County-wide Programs (Baker College)

At the end of January Mrs. Smith, as well as Ms. Ganssley from the Shiawassee Regional Education District, spoke with the sophomores and juniors about the programs offered through Baker College of Owosso. Criminal Justice II will be a new program for 2015/16. Continuing programs are: Intro to Health Occupations, Health Science Academy, Auto Services I and II, Criminal Justice I, Computer Networking and Computer Science. With all of these programs student earn college credit while some programs also offer State certification exams. Descriptions for all programs can be found in the scheduling book as well as on the RESD website. The programs are first come, first serve and students must have at least a 2.0 GPA in order to apply. The Health Science Academy has a separate application process—students must apply by March 30 at which point all applications received will be ranked and the top applications accepted. If you have any questions about any of these programs, please contact Mrs. Smith.

Dual Enrollment

If your student is interested in taking classes at Mott or LCC or some other college next year as part of their schedule, please contact Mrs. Smith to make an appointment to discuss options. General information can be found on Mrs. Smith's website at www.iammea.org/msmith on the dual enrollment tab. It is very important that all steps are completed before Mrs. Smith leaves for the summer as college classes may be full once school begins in the fall.

Genesee Career Institute

For the first time, Byron students are able to apply for Genesee County's Career Institute. They have programs that are not available in our county, classes such as: Construction Trades, Electrical Wiring, Digital Media Arts, Visual Digital Communications, Teach/Lead/Coach, Risk Management and Insurance, EMT, CNA, Sports Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, Culinary Essentials, Web Design, Welding, CNC Machining and a few others. Course descriptions can be found in the scheduling booklet or on their website. See Mrs. Smith for questions or applications.