



JHS Freshman Academy

2013, ISSUE 1

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Class of 2017**
- **Commitment to Graduate Ceremony**
- **Academy Planning**
- **ZAP**

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thanksgiving Break:

November 27–
December 1

**Internal Pathway
Fieldtrip: (only during math classes)**

December TBA

Winter Break:

December 21–
January 5

Third Floor Happenings...

Class of 2017

Meet your faculty advisors:

Mr. Angel Cosme– Science
Ms. Abigail Garcia– Math
Mr. Kyle Ligon– Math
Mr. Steve Shelton– Social Studies

Meet your student officers:

Fahren Zackery– President
Ceyonna Ferguson– Vice President
Raiya Schick– Secretary
Devon Reynolds– Treasurer

The Freshman Academy is participating in the HPS A-Can-Demy Food Drive. Students are encouraged to donate non-perishable food items from November 12–December 14. The Freshman team that donates the most will win a pizza party!

Go Gold Team!

Go Red Team!

Go White Team!

C2G Ceremony

On November 7, 2013, freshman students were invited to participate in the Commitment to Graduate ceremony. Students pledged their promise to graduate on time in 2017. The teachers pledged to support and encourage students on their academic journey.

This was a fun and inspiring event, emceed by Mr. Charles Kluzak.

The motivational speaker, Reverend Dr. Kenneth Board, captivated the audience with his words. Music was provided by our very own DJ Iceman (a.k.a. Mr. Steve Jordan).

Special thanks to all involved for making this event possible!

Academy Planning

Students attended an academy expo in September at the BMO Harris Bank Center. 581 industry experts from 99 companies demonstrated 131 careers.

Julia Buchanan wrote the winning essay on the impact the Expo will have on her future. She received a Net-book courtesy of Comcast.

Freshman seminar classes have continued the effort with fieldtrips, guest speakers, and identity exploration. Students will preview academy pathways at Jefferson on December 4th and 5th. Parents may attend an informational meeting the evening of December 5th.

What's the Buzz About ZAP?



What is ZAP?

The ZAP initiative gives the students the opportunity to stay on track by:

- Eliminating Zeros
- Earning acceptable grades
- Finishing projects and assignments

If a student is ZAP-ped by teacher, they report to the library during the first 20 minutes of lunch, Tuesdays through Thursdays.

This has been extremely successful for our freshman students.

Last year 78 freshman failed Algebra first quarter, whereas only 36 freshman failed first quarter this year. Additionally, last year 81 freshman failed English first quarter, whereas only 56 failed first quarter this year.

Keep up the great work!

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Organization

RPS205

Primary Business Address

Your Address Line 2

Your Address Line 3

Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555

Fax: 555-555-5555

E-mail: someone@example.com

Your business tag line here.

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.



Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include

a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual

charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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