

Mary Miller Junior High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians of MMJH 8th Grade Students:

Moving from middle school to high school can be a very stressful and worrisome time for students and parents. A variety of changes and challenges may occur with the transition and with becoming a teenager. As Guidance Counselors at GRHS, we want to help all students succeed, and to be supportive of the GRHS families.

Starting Monday November 1st, 2010, Ms. Dayna Heil will be meeting with your child to discuss short and long term educational and personal goals, the social and environmental differences between middle school and high school, and answer any questions they may have about GRHS. The students will be asked to share their goals with you and bring back a signed copy. We ask that you use these goals to encourage and motivate your child to succeed.

Once Ms. Dayna Heil has met with all students, Ms. Penny Cook will meet with them to discuss their schedules, the different classes available to them, and again answer any questions they may have about GRHS.

Meeting with your child will hopefully reduce some of their concerns and anxiety about being a GRHS student next year. It will also give them a chance to meet their counselors, who they can use as a resource at any time.

It is important for parents and guardians to be involved with this transition. The following website <http://pbskids.org/itsmylife/school/index.html> has many helpful tips and invaluable information for parents and students getting ready for this transition. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Penny Cook

Dayna Heil

