

# STUDENT SERVICES

FEBRUARY 2025

# NEWSLETTER



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## Brighter Days Ahead!

### A Note from Student Services

Have you noticed the days are getting longer and it is lighter outside? This can really start to lift our spirits after the long cold January we have experienced. It can give us a sense of hope for the warmer and brighter days ahead. This can be said for all aspects of our lives. Whether thinking about school, friendships, work, health, family, etc...It is time to look up and look ahead to a brighter tomorrow. Take time to put extra effort into these things to improve your future. You've got this! -- set your sights forward and stay positive!



## Social Emotional Learning

With February being the month of Valentines Day, it is common for people to think about who they really have in their lives that they can truly count on. It is important to spend some time considering the nature of your relationships with other people.

### IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS:

Mutual Respect      Trust      Honesty  
Equality      Open communication

Make sure you look for these things from others. Only a few people can meet all of these criteria. Keep your trusted circle of people small and you will have the best of times with great friends!

## Academics

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### Academic Accomplishments



There are roughly 140 Middle School students on Honor Roll and 50 on Merit Roll at this point in the school year!

We are seeing huge gains in the Middle School iReady reading and math assessment scores.

We began the 2024-2025 school year with 22 Senior Honor Society Members. In December, we inducted 28 new members.

We are excited to announce that 65% of our senior class has already been accepted to colleges and universities for the fall of 2025.

We are proud to share that 68% of our junior class is already registered to take either the SAT or ACT this spring.

**Our Students are Working Hard!**

## What's happening in

### Middle School



Shout out to every student and staff member that participated in P.S. I Love You Week!



upcoming PACT event---  
Boardgames and More!!! Don't miss out--save the date:  
March 5th after school

February Theme of the Month is: Problem Solving!

March Theme of the Month is: Making Good Decisions

## HS upcoming events

- 3/4- Visiting Buffalo State University
- Meeting with High School Students to make schedules for next School Year

## Stay in touch



Ms. Odell Grades 6-7  
Mrs. Sollenne Grades 8-9  
Mrs. Warren Grades 10-12 (Last Names A-J)  
Mrs. Barber Grades 10-12 (Last Names K-Z)  
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# Study Skills



## Time Management

- Create a Study Schedule
- Prioritize Tasks
- Avoid Procrastination

## Staying Organized

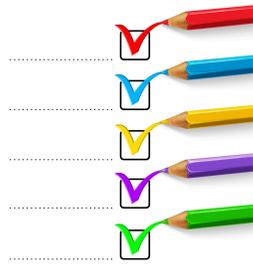
- Organize Materials
- Make a To-Do List

## Healthy Study Habits

- Take Breaks
- Get Enough Sleep

## Seeking Help When Needed

- Ask Questions
- Stay After 9th Period



# Scheduling 2025-2026

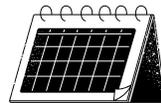
As we prepare for another exciting school year, we want to take a moment to invite you to a personalized meeting where we can review your student's schedule, discuss any specific academic goals, and address any questions or concerns you might have about their upcoming year. Every student's needs are unique, and by working together, we can ensure they have the best possible academic experience. Whether it's adjusting course selections, understanding class expectations, or simply providing guidance for a successful year ahead, this meeting is an opportunity for us to collaborate and ensure your child's schedule aligns with their strengths and interests. Please reach out to your child's counselor and schedule an appointment by March 31st, 2025.



**We look forward to meeting with you!**

# Looking Ahead

- 2/17/25-2/21/25 Mid Winter Break
- 3/9/25 Turn Clocks Ahead One Hour!
- 3/13/25 Progress Reports



# Resources

SENIORS  
LOOKING FOR  
SCHOLARSHIPS?



How do you register for the  
ACT and/or SAT?



"Are there any  
college visits  
coming up?"



VISIT THE MS/HS  
COUNSELING WEBPAGE!  
[WWW.FALCONERCSD.ORG](http://WWW.FALCONERCSD.ORG)



"What do I need to graduate?"



"I am looking for  
a job!"

"I am trying to figure out what  
classes I want to take next  
school year!"

# Graduation Requirements



Required Subjects	Minimum number of credits
English	4
Social Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global History and Geography (2)</li> <li>• U.S. History (1)</li> <li>• Participation in Government (0.5)</li> <li>• Economics (0.5)</li> </ul>	4
Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Life Science (1)</li> <li>• Physical Science (1)</li> <li>• Life or Physical Science (1)</li> </ul>	3
Mathematics	3
World Languages*	1
Art and/or Music	1
Physical Education (participation each semester)	2
Health	0.5
Electives	3.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>

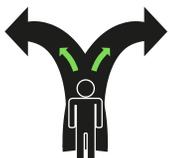
# Tech Tips

## Manage your information!

Make sure you are checking your Gmail and Schoology messages regularly as well as managing your inboxes to keep things cleaned up and organized. Learning how to efficiently communicate with fellow students and with staff members now will help you become a productive employee in the future.



# Support Services



We want to remind you that the Student Services Office is here to support you! If you have any concerns—whether they are academic, career-related, social, emotional, or personal—please don't hesitate to reach out.

We genuinely care about you and your family, and we're committed to helping you navigate any challenges you may face.