

Student Success Plans (SSP)/Developmental Guidance

Happy Fall RLMS parents!!

Each year, all students participate in Developmental Guidance on varying topics. The School Counselors typically spend 2-3 days in a class and coordinate with the subject area teachers around their lessons. All of these topics tie into Student Success Plans; which are part of "Connecticut's Plan for Secondary School Reform".

Grade 6—currently in process. The grade 6th lessons focus on "getting to know you", "diversity/tolerance", "problem-solving" and learning Naviance (the electronic file that will house your child's Student Success Plan). All grade 6th grade students will log in to the Naviance system and review their online goal planning framework facilitated by the School Counseling Department. They will also establish one personal goal.

Grade 7— In November, all 7th grade students will participate in lessons that focus on learning styles/interests. They will log in to their Naviance accounts and complete a Learning Styles/Interest Inventory facilitated by the School Counseling Department.

Grade 8- by the end of January 2016, all students will log in to the Naviance system and complete a Career Interest Inventory in preparation for high school course selection facilitated by the School Counseling Department.

The state of CT defines a Student Success Plan as:

The SSP is an individualized student-driven plan developed to address students' needs and interests. The Plan should include strategies to help every student stay connected to school and achieve postsecondary educational and career goals. An effective SSP is built around three core components: "Academic Development, Career Development, and Social, Emotional, and Physical Development. This Plan will begin in Grade 6 and continue through high school to provide the student support and assistance in setting up goals for social, emotional, physical and academic growth, meeting rigorous high school expectations and exploring postsecondary education and career interests. The SSP and support structures, such as student portfolios and academic/personal records, should be electronic and portable following the student from school to school and district to district.

Any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's School Counselor.

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