

MAX

Media Academy eXperience 2010-2011

Welcome to the SRHS Media Academy. As a member of an interdisciplinary academy, you can look forward to participating in a program in which you will experience greater connections between your Social Studies (Government and Economics), English and Technology classes. Over the course of the year, you will take part in several exciting and demanding projects.

Students who participate in MAX work hard, have fun and leave high school prepared for college or the work place.

As your Media Academy teachers we strongly believe that the work that you do should be meaningful, relevant and enjoyable.

SchoolLoop and Email

The MAX Staff will use SchoolLoop to communicate with you on a daily basis - it is absolutely essential that you have access to your SchoolLoop account. In order to effectively communicate with your teachers and classmates you will need to have your own personal email account that will be linked with your SchoolLoop account.

Group Work

A large part of your experience in MAX will be based on group work. This is the best and the worst part of MAX because group work can be both rewarding and frustrating. Working in groups is an essential part of media production. Therefore, we will spend a tremendous amount of time learning how to successfully work together and manage your projects.

Although you will be receiving group grades for final products, you will also receive individual grades for personal performance throughout the process.

Homework

You will be assigned homework in English and Social Studies on a daily basis. If you are absent or forget to write down the homework you can check your portal page on SchoolLoop.

Absences

In MAX your absence affects the whole group, not just yourself. If you must be absent you are expected to communicate – via email – with **all teachers** and classmates ahead of time so that we can all plan accordingly.

Materials:

★**Binder** with dividers for English, Social Studies, and Technology. We want you to have a combined binder because at any time, you might be asked to do work from one of the other content courses - *so bring it to ALL your MAX classes every day!*

★**Binder Paper**

★**Pens** (Blue and Black)

★**#2 Pencils**

★**Highlighter**

MAX Expectations

★**You will** attend class each day, arrive on time, behave in an acceptable and respectful manner and bring necessary materials (MAX binder, pen/pencil, paper, book, and project material) **EVERYDAY!**

★**You will** complete assignments, participate in class discussions, activities, group work and projects and prepare for tests and quizzes.

★**You will** strive to communicate effectively with others. If you are having difficulty working with a classmate you will seek help from one of the MAX teachers.

★**You will** maintain a MAX binder with a separate section for English, Social Studies and Technology. This binder goes with you to every MAX class.

★**You will** respect the belongings, feelings and space of others. You will be responsible for your own success in this class. You will exhibit the utmost integrity, academically and personally. You will take care of the MAX equipment, yourself and those around you.