

Welcome Freshmen to  
College and Career Readiness!  
With Mr. Coffey

**What is it?**

College and Career Readiness (CCR) is an extension of GEAR UP for freshmen, an opportunity for students to explore career pathways, build educational resilience and aspirations, and chart their courses for high school. Throughout this class, the students will participate in mentoring, Leadership through Service, College and Career Pathways which includes college knowledge, ILPs, career interests inventories, college visits, financial aid awareness, KEES money, and importance of grades, ACT scores, etc. Also, students will participate in WhyTry activities that build motivation, interdependence, and goal-setting skills, better preparing students for their bright futures.

**What do I need?**

Each student is responsible for bringing a three-ring binder, either a one subject notebook or one subject of loose paper, page dividers, and a pencil.

**How will I be graded?**

Each student's grade will be compiled using the following:

- 20% Participation: There will be many in-class activities. Each student is held accountable for participating in these activities so attendance is important.
- 20% Journal: At least once every week, students will have a journal entry assignment. To receive credit, students need to respond to the journal question(s).
- 20% Agenda: Each student will be responsible for keeping a weekly agenda of all (not just CCR) school assignments, test dates, other important dates.
- 40% Projects, Quizzes, and all other assignments: Shorter assignments will be worth fewer points while larger assignments and projects will be worth more.

**What if I am absent?**

Students have the number of days missed plus 1 to turn in work from the days absent. However, if a student misses a quiz or has homework due on the initial day they are absent,

they are required to take the quiz or turn in the homework the day they return to school.  
Participation grades cannot be made up, therefore, ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT.

**What are the class rules?**

In addition to rules outlined in the student handbook, there are only two rules in the class. The first is that every student be respectful of the teacher, other students, and classroom materials. The second rule is that each student come to class prepared with materials and ready to begin.

**How to contact Mrs. Deaton**

Parents and caregivers, I hope to stay in contact with you through the school year. Feel free to email me if you have any questions at [kendall.coffey@jackson.kyschools.us](mailto:kendall.coffey@jackson.kyschools.us)

I am looking forward to working with each of you! Let's have a great year!

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Parent Signature

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Date