What to expect next year

Class of 2021 explores classes of the future

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TRINITY — Rising freshmen like Mackenzie Thomas and Chance Billings got a better grasp of high school courses after attending a Curriculum Fair held last week at Trinity High School.

On Feb. 21 in the media center, Chance took in a diorama which presented examples of English literature while his mother Rebecca Billings had a chance to chat with THS English teacher Becky Hawley.

“They are offering more choices,” said Rebecca, holding a folder containing an outline of the courses required for graduation. “I think it’s a good idea because it gives them time to think about it before they’re rushed to make a decision.”

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With the assistance of Trinity High School social studies teacher Brandon Coggins, right, the Ayodabo family figures out what course credits rising freshman Emmanuel Ayodabo will need to graduate. Pictured, from left, are Praise Ayodabo, Emmanuel Ayodabo, Kai Ayodabo, Bethel Ayodabo and Coggins.
In the cafeteria, Charity Cohen, Brian Lemly and Nimra Sami served as ambassadors of the Trinity High School Academy of Hospitality and Tourism. In the cafeteria, members of the THS SkillsUSA team, from left, included Lindsey Key, Sophia Zheng and Sarah Davis.

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"Is anatomy an elective?" asked Cammie Blackwell at the Science Station. She also visited the English department to pick up a recommended summer reading list. Math teachers Dawn Seltzer and Rhoby Sarace tag-teamed to explain graduation requirements to future students. They distributed a handout which explained two math pathways, both leading to a completion of graduation requirements for the Class of 2021.

After visiting core course teachers in the media center, students and parents headed to the cafeteria where they met with core course instructors in the media center and representatives of electives. In Health Science 2, students become CPR certified and earn a Health Science endorsement on their diploma. In addition to CPR certification and an endorsement on their diploma, students who complete a Health Sciences cluster can gain a better understanding of whether or not they desire a health sciences career and which field they wish to enter.

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"A health science background can lead to hundreds of careers that include biomedical tech, research and bio-engineering. When they graduate it helps them have a better idea of what they want to do and where they wish to go." Also in the cafeteria, Charter Cohen, Brian Lemly and Nimra Sami warmly greeted visitors as ambassadors of the Trinity High Academy of Hospitality and Tourism.

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