This year AP is requiring down payments for tests to be paid by October 25. Research shows that committing earlier increases success in AP. In the past, students waited and tried to decide if they could pass or not. Now they commit. That commitment has shown to result in more students passing. How much is due October 25?

- $40.00
- $27 if you are on Free/Reduced (F/R) lunch
- Those not on F/R lunch pay the remaining $54 by April.

At Cyprus, we focus on three simple words to help remember expectations.

**Attend**: The number one reason students do not graduate is **attendance**. In life that is the number one reason people lose jobs as well. Being here on time everyday is the foundation for success at Cyprus, at work, and in life. Parents should monitor their students’ attendance and promote this life skill.

**Engage**: At Cyprus, we ask teachers to teach in engaging ways. Long gone are the days of 85 minute lectures followed by rote memory. When students come to class, they need to be prepared to engage. That may include taking notes, working in groups, or answering questions. We learn best when we participate and interact. Parents should ask their students about the engagement activities occurring in their classes and encourage them to participate.

**Grow**: Ultimately your students are at Cyprus to learn. You should expect that we provide opportunities where students can demonstrate that they have learned. In other words, they should show growth in every class. Moreover, they should be able to articulate how they know they have grown academically. This is why you may be seeing proficiency based grading in many classes. It is why students take district benchmarks, class tests, or state assessments. These are among the many ways that you can see tangible growth for your student. Parents should expect their students to take every measurement of growth seriously so that they can know what their students actually know or do not know. Their growth now will help determine their best options after they graduate.

**It’s Game Time**

October means playoffs for Cyprus athletics. Check our schedule online to support Football, Volleyball, Soccer, Tennis, Golf, and Cross Country Region and State playoffs.

As October winds down, we get ready for Winter Sport tryouts and competitions.

- Sept. 30 Swim begins
- Oct. 1 Debate begins
- Nov. 4 Drill meets begin
- Nov 11 Wrestling (Boys & Girls)
- Nov 11 Basketball (Boys & Girls)
Parents can play a vital role in helping teens succeed in school by being informed and lending a little support and guidance. Even though teens are seeking independence, parental involvement is an important ingredient for academic success.” KidsHealth 2018

10 Ways to Help Your Student Succeed in High School
1. Attend Parent Teacher Conferences
2. Visit the School and Its Website
3. Support Homework Expectations
4. Send Your Teen to School Ready to Learn
5. Instill Organizational Skills
6. Offer Help With Studying
7. Know the Disciplinary and Bullying Policies
8. Get Involved
9. Take Attendance Seriously
10. Make Time to Talk About School

There are many ways to be involved at Cyprus High School. Get involved with PTSA, attend Community Council meetings, chaperone a dance, attend school events, help with a fundraiser, or volunteer in the school.

Student Supports

- Did you know you can make up a course if you failed one? Cyprus offers a credit recovery program to help all students who want to graduate. We offer credit recovery as a class during the day or as a resource after school. See your counselor for details.

- Cyprus has partnered with Salt Lake County to offer an after school program. So far we offer free tutoring, test make-up, Art Club, and a Gaming Club. More options are on the way.

- Those who attend the after school program receive a free meal!

- As always, our Pirate Pantry is open for students after school!

How is Cyprus doing so far with Attendance? This data is from August 19-September 20. This time period included 24 possible days of school. That is less than ½ of one term or 1/8 of the school year.

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