JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL CAREER AND TECH

January 7, 2016

Dear Parents of Sophomore Students,

On **Thursday, January 7, 2016**, Jackson High School hosted the annual **Sophomore College & Career Day.** This was an opportunity for the 10th graders to learn more about college planning and the two-year College Tech Prep programs offered at JHS. Students viewed the programs, learned about career and technical offerings and attended a session on scheduling and college preparation.

Students interested in a Career and Technical program within Jackson High School need to meet with the program instructor to secure an application which must be returned to the program instructor. JHS Application deadline is Wednesday, January 21. Students will be notified of acceptance, contingency or denial. JHS online registration begins in early February. You can also view programs in the Programs of Study Guide found on the Jackson High School website via the link Student Services: Scheduling. The 2016-17 guide will be posted soon.

Sophomore students and their parents should plan to attend the Career and Technical **Open House** to be held at Jackson High School on **Wednesday, January 20, 2016,** from **5 – 7 PM**. You will have a chance to meet with program instructors and view the labs/classrooms. This is a great opportunity to finalize your decision about applying to a Career & Technical program. If you are unable to attend the Open House, you are welcome to make an appointment directly with the instructor and meet with them at another time. Please realize that programs fill quickly and the Open House is the best time to meet the instructors and finalize your program choices.

Students who apply to a program outside of JHS but within the Compact (GlenOak, Hoover, or Lake) must apply on-line via the Compact's online application (<u>http://ww2.plainlocal.org/careertech/newapplication.php</u>) before Jackson's on-line registration begins in early February. This site will open in January 2016. **Compact online application deadline is Friday, February 20**. Students are expected to register online at JHS with a full academic schedule (7 periods). You will be notified of acceptance, contingency or denial by <u>April 6.</u> If you are accepted, please take your letter to your Jackson counselor who will make the necessary changes to your schedule. It is important to note that all program seats fill quickly so it is in the student's best interest to complete the application requirements as soon as possible.

Students will be given the opportunity to visit programs at a compact school (GlenOak, Hoover, or Lake). The **Compact Tour is Wednesday, January 27**. Permission forms are available in Student Services. Forms must be signed by a parent and returned to

Mrs. Cochran by the date indicated on the form. You may also contact these schools directly to make an appointment and tour facilities.

Students have been informed of this information in their English class, morning announcements, high school website, Jackson Local School's Facebook page, slideshow presentation in the Commons as well as flyers posted throughout the buildina. Please visit our Career and Technical website at www.jackson.stark.k12.oh.us/webpages/careertech/ for more contact information, program descriptions and links to other helpful resources. This site also has step-bystep instructions on how to apply to a program. You are an integral part of this process! Please feel free to contact the Career & Technical Office. We look forward to speaking with you.

Sincerely,

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