

August 4, 2016

Dear Hightower Parents and Guardians,

In an effort to cultivate a career and college-ready culture at L. V. Hightower High School, we are implementing proven best practices that can truly prepare students for future academic success. During the 2016-2017 academic school year, students must have the following items at their disposal to succeed in a learning environment designed for college preparation and readiness:

- 2 – 1 Inch Binders
- 1 – Academic Planner
- 1 – Pack of Blue Ink Pens
- 1 – Pack of Black Ink Pens
- 1 – Pack of Red Pens
- 4 – Composition Tablets
- 2 – Packs of Pencils
- 5 – Pocket Folders with Fasteners
- 2 – Packs of 5-Tab Dividers
- 2 – Packs of Loose Leaf Paper (College Rule)
- Physical Education Uniform (only enrolled Physical Education students)
- Physical Education (PE) T-shirts can be purchased for \$10.00 on the first day of school. We are requiring all PE students to wear a Canes uniform shirt. Therefore, all students must be in proper dress code during their PE class for increased safety and to promote healthy hygiene.

Please be reminded that each teacher will provide your child with a syllabus outlining necessary and/or additional supplies the first week of school.

Our number one priority is the safety of each of our valued students. To enhance our safety and security measures, all students must have a visible identification card before entering class each day. Pictures for identification cards will be taken in office 108 on the following days:

- Monday, August 8, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 9, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday, August 11, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Friday, August 12, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Monday, August 15, 2016 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 16, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Please make note of these upcoming dates and events:

- **9<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation – August 12, 2016**
  - Last Name Beginning with A – K: 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
  - Last name beginning with L – Z: 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
  
- **First Day of School – August 22, 2016.** Our new school hours for 2016-17 are 7:30 a.m.-2:45 p.m.
  
- **Fall Open House-August 31, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.** You will have an opportunity to visit with your child's teachers at the Fall Open House event.

It is our goal to keep all Hightower High School students focused on their academic and career goals, as we facilitate a safe and secure learning environment. We have a supportive community, and we ask for your continued support in helping all students achieve in a safe, college, and career ready atmosphere.

Please feel free to visit the Hightower High School web page for the latest announcements and upcoming events.

Thank you for supporting the Hurricanes!

Sincerely,

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Hightower High School

*Cozette Church Gaston*  
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