



Oh, the Places You'll Go...

Famous book by Dr. Seuss

How does this relate to YOU?

Congratulations!

“Today is your day. You’re off to great places! You’re off and away!”

- Classes:
 - Freshmen year- Take required coursework for graduation
 - Sophomore year- continue to take required coursework and explore avenues for your Junior senior year
 - Junior/senior year- take coursework you are interested in AND finish required coursework

You'll look up and down streets. Look 'em over with care. About some you will say, "I don't choose to go there." With your head full of brains and your shoes full of feet, you're too smart to go down any not-so-good street.

- Possible streets you can pursue as an upperclassmen:
 - Jackson Area Career Center- college credits/ work skills and certifications for college/employment after HS
 - AP courses for the advanced student looking for a different option ON GLHS campus for college credit
 - Jackson College- Dual enroll and take college courses as well as high school courses (this will require student's own transportation and meet pre-requisites set by the college)

You won't lag behind, because you'll have speed. You'll pass the whole gang and you'll soon take the lead.

- Ignition Program: a mentoring program where upper classmen take you under their wing and show you the ropes.
 - Ignite: First day of school is spent relationship building with classmates, mentors, and some staff
 - Mentors meet with Freshmen in forum
 - When you become Juniors you can apply and become an Ignition Mentor and pass on your wealth of information

I'm sorry to say so but, sadly, it's true that bang-ups and hang-ups can happen to you.

- Lots of things can happen in 4 years, and you may need help.
 - You're failing classes and need a tutor
 - Something is amiss in life and your focus is not on school
 - Peer pressure- drugs, alcohol, sex, etc.
 - A death in the family
 - Credit recovery is needed for graduation
 - Attendance problems

And when you're in a slump, you're not in for much fun. Un-slumping yourself is not easily done.

- You may have to distance yourself from your usual friends
- You may have to put in extra homework time
- You may not be able to play a sport
- You may have to ask more questions
- You may have to seek extra assistance
- You may have to get organized
- You may have to make school a #1 priority

And will you succeed?
Yes! You will, indeed!
98 and $\frac{3}{4}$ percent guaranteed.

- Kids, YOU'LL MOVE MOUNTAINS!
 - Have confidence
 - Work hard
 - ASK questions! (teachers, counselor, mentors,)
 - Get organized
 - Schedule/plan study time each day (Practice makes perfect)
 - Follow the rules
 - Keep your character in check