



# Sophomore "Stuff"

<b>PMHS</b>
Pasadena Memorial High
November 2009

## HOBY A Great Opportunity

The Hugh O'Bryan Youth Foundation (HOBY) leadership weekend is the most nationally recognized leadership program for high school sophomores. Nearly 9,000 sophomore students, representing high schools nationwide, attend HOB leadership seminars each year.

Only one student from Pasadena Memorial will be selected as a HOBY ambassador. That student will spend the weekend of June through June at a nearby University with sophomores from high schools in the Gulf Coast Area.

The seminars provide a high level of energy encouragement, and motivation, as well as interaction with peers, panelists, and volunteers to nurture your future leadership roles. In addition, you will participate in hands-on leadership



activities and meet state leaders in such areas as business, government, education, media and the non-profit sector.

Once you attend a HOBY program you become eligible for numerous opportunities that are only available to HOBY alumni.

Pick up an application in the counseling office. This is a great opportunity for one of our student leaders.

For more information about the Hugh O'Bryan Youth Foundation, or about HOBY Leadership weekends, visit

[www.hoby.org](http://www.hoby.org)

If you've been absent, ask your teacher or counselor to check the computerized tracker to see if you owe any make-up time.

If you go to tutorials or detentions, be sure to ask your teacher to log your make-up time in the tracker.

**REMEMBER:**

You must make-up time for days missed during that same semester. You won't be allowed to make-up time after the semester is over.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

<i>November 13 End of 2nd Six-Weeks</i>
<i>November 16th Academic Excellence Awards</i>
<i>November 20 Report Card Distribution</i>
<i>November 23-27 Thanksgiving Holidays</i>
<i>December 1 College Night @ Sam Rayburn High School</i>
<i>December 18 Early Dismissal</i>
<i>December 21—January 1 Christmas/Winter Holidays</i>

**Counselor Information:**

Your counselor is determined by the first letter of your last name.

Mrs. Evans: Lead  
Mrs. Markel: A-D  
Mrs. Cook: E-La  
Mrs. Garriss: Le-Ra  
Ms. Ottinger: Re-Z  
Ms. Watkins: Transition



## College Night—December 1st

Sophomores and parents mark your calendars and plan to attend College Night, December 1st, 7:00 p.m. at Sam Rayburn High School. Approximately 50-75 universities and colleges from around the U.S. will have tables set-up in the

cafeteria. Students and/or parents can gather materials and talk with college representatives. There will be several great colleges and universities present that students know little about, so come learn

about these institutions and find out what they have to offer. Representatives will be providing specific information about scholarships, financial aide, admission processes and requirements. See you there!

# Recommended High School Program

Students Entering High School Fall 2007 and Beyond

## Graduation Requirements - 26 Credits

**ENGLISH: (4 credits)** - English I, II, III, IV

**MATHEMATICS: (4 credits)**

Algebra I

Geometry

Algebra II

The fourth credit may be chosen from: \*Math Models (Recommended Plan only and/or Pre-calculus, AP Statistics, or AP Calculus required for Distinguished Achievement Program)

\* **Students selecting Math Models as a 4th math credit MUST complete Math Models PRIOR to enrollment in Algebra II.**

**SCIENCE: (4 credits)** - Biology, Chemistry and Physics

The remaining one credit may be chosen from the following areas:

(IPC) Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC must be taken prior to Chemistry or Physics)

AP Environmental Science Anatomy and Physiology

AP Biology Aquatic Science Environmental Systems

AP Chemistry Astronomy Geology, Meteorology, or

AP Physics Engineering Design (Infinity Project) Oceanography- (Geology/Meteorology/Oceanography - GMO)

**SOCIAL STUDIES: (4 credits)**

World History Studies – I

World Geography Studies – I

U.S. History – I

U.S. Government – ½/Economics – ½

**HEALTH EDUCATION: (½ credit)** - (Health Science Technology I will waive your health requirement if you stay in the class one full year.)

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION: (1½ credit)** (Only 2 credits of Physical Education may count toward the required credits. You can also receive a P.E. waiver for each semester you take Athletics, Marching Band (fall semester only), Drill Team, Cheer, or Dance.)

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE: (2 credits -Level I and 2)**

(Credits earned must be from the same language. A third year of the same foreign language is required for the Distinguished Achievement Program. If you haven't started your foreign language, you must take level one in your junior year or you won't have the 2 years you need to graduate on time.)

**FINE ARTS: (1 credit)** - Art, Band, Choir, Dance, or Theatre Arts

**SPEECH: (½ credit)** - (Communication Applications –this is actually a one semester public speaking class)

**TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS: (1 credit)**

(Business Computer Information Systems (BCIS), Digital Graphics, Video Tech, Tech. Systems, Web Mastering, Business Multimedia, or Desktop Publishing)

**ELECTIVES REQUIRED/OPTIONS: (3 ½ credits)**