



Roxborough High School

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The Academies at Roxborough High School develop strong college and career competencies that empower students to contribute to our global society.

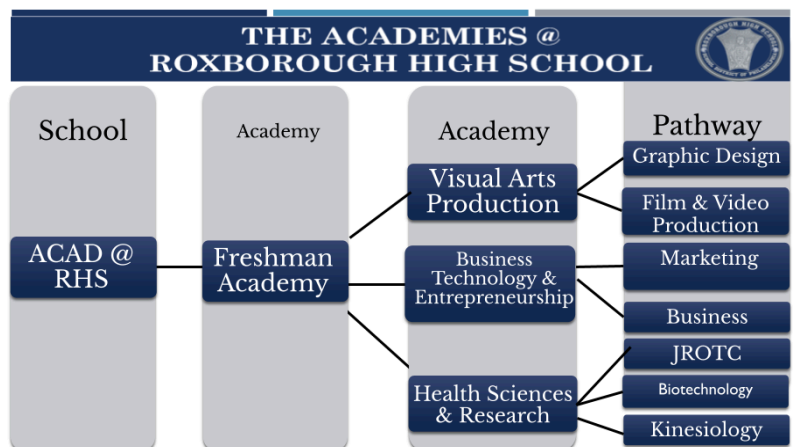


Welcome to the Class of 2028! Whew, typing that just made me feel really ancient. Congratulations on making the decision to join the family at the Academies at Roxborough High School. We are all so excited to meet you.

High school is one of the most transformative time periods of your life. Meeting new people, setting ambitious goals, tackling difficult problems, and ultimately deciding on your future can be quite a challenging experience. As you prepare to embark on this adventure, we would like to share some advice for the next few months before you officially begin your high school experience.

1. **Welcome!** Roxborough High School is an Academy High School. **Each 9th grade student and a guardian/parenting adult are expected to attend the mandatory 9th grade orientation on Thursday, August 22nd, 2024 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The first day of classes will be held on Monday August 26th, 2024.**

Students and families will learn about various aspects of the school, including academics, climate expectations, and all of the wonderful offerings at our school.



2. **Be prepared:** High school will challenge you in ways that you might not otherwise expect. One of the best ways to be ready for these challenges is to mentally prepare yourself. Begin setting goals. What sorts of grades would you like to earn? How do you study? What is your system of organization? Where do you need to improve? What are you really good at? Answering these questions will help you begin the process of being ready to be your best self when you come to the Academies at Roxborough.

Most importantly, you must also have the materials you need. Each teacher will be sharing a specific syllabus for their classes, but you can begin collecting the basic supplies that are universally necessary for high school. Here are some suggestions:

- ☐ 5 1 subject notebooks or 2 three subject notebooks
- ☐ 1" three ring D binder
- ☐ Loose leaf paper
- ☐ blue/black pens
- ☐ pencils/erasers
- ☐ 5 pocket folders
- ☐ 2 highlighters
- ☐ Hand sanitizer

3. **Know your resources:** You can also begin to seek out support from a variety of sources. Here are a few suggestions for incoming students.
- A. Check out this [VIDEO](#) that encourages organization skills
 - B. The school district of Philadelphia shares [an annual summer reading list](#). This year we are not requiring it to be completed, but we strongly encourage all incoming students to read profusely over the summer to be adequately prepared for the rigors of high school.
 - C. Here is a [comprehensive list of Summer Resources](#) for any resident of Philadelphia. Our amazing STEP Coordinator, Ms.Shinique Wright is available to check in if you need assistance. She can be reached at swright4@philasd.org or 215-400-3020 between 7:30 and 2:30 during the week.

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School Website: <https://roxboroughhs.philasd.org/>

Parent Website: <https://sites.google.com/view/rhs-home-school-association/home>

School Instagram: @academiesatroxborough

Parent Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/151623331635048/>

Follow Us on Twitter: @Roxborough_HSA

We are so excited to meet you! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Assistant Principal Julian Saavedra and/or 9th grade coordinator Christine Arnold.

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