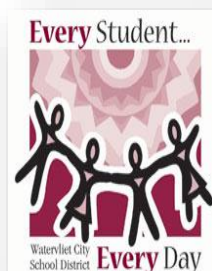




PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- All 9th grade students
- A required extended school day Tue-Thurs from 2:30-3:30pm
- Free snacks available in cafeteria from 2:16-2:25pm
- The classes will combine math, English, writing, critical thinking, speaking and hands-on activities into one!
- All successful students will obtain one (1) elective credit
- Students who qualify, will receive transportation home
- Opportunities to learn about a variety of careers from guest speakers
- Career(Job) shadow experience
- College campus visits
- "Parent talks" once a month for parents



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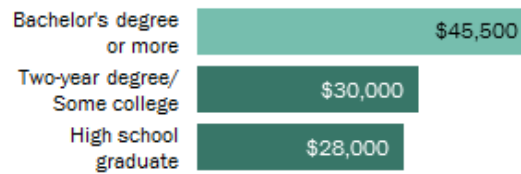
The Pivot Program



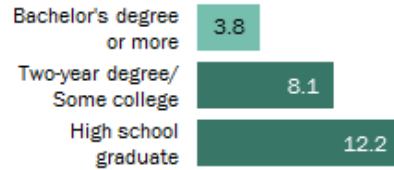
A Program for All 9th Grade
Students

Beginning in September of 2015

(Funded by a grant from the BelleJAR Foundation)



Unemployment Rate ...



Did you know?

- According to the New York State Education Department, 74.9% of students graduate on time from high school.
- According to the Pew Research Center, in 2014, those who received a high school diploma earned \$28,000/yr, those with a 2 year degree earned \$30,000/yr and those with a 4 year degree earned \$45,500/yr. (Median)
- Students with a high school diploma had a 12.2% unemployment rate, those with a 2 year degree had 8.1% unemployed and those with a 4 year degree had only 3.8% unemployed.

Details:

The Pivot Program's goal is to have all students be well equipped with the necessary skills they need to successfully complete high school and be ready to face the challenges of career/college/work.

The Pivot Program will meet 3 days a week. Students will be attending classes that include working on "soft skills" (public speaking, communication, working in groups, etc.), learning about career pathways and options, and increasing skills in reading, writing & math. Students will also attend career talks, complete one career shadow experience and attend college visits over the course of the year.

Parents/guardians will have the opportunity to be involved by attending the evening "parent talks" which will be offered once a month. These informational meetings will help parents learn ways to assist their children through the high school years as well as how to assist with the college and career selection process.

All school rules remain in effect during this 9th period class including the attendance policy. Students in athletic programs will begin practice/games after 9th period.



Goals:

- Provide students with a positive start on their post-graduate plans
- Help ensure that students successfully complete high school and graduate on time
- Assist with college and career readiness for students
- Demonstrate the importance of parental support to parents/guardians