



The Ninth Grade News

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Mercy High School

Farewell to Frosh

On May 19, 2009 the Mercy Counseling Department took your daughters out of class for the first mod of the school day. This was the first, of what will be an annual ritual: The Transition Meeting.

We gathered the Class of 2012 in the Auditorium for a surprise, fifteen minute meeting. During this meeting, I began by telling them how thankful I am to work at Mercy High School. I love my job because our school is great, our staff is fantastic, but mostly because my ninth graders are absolutely amazing. I thanked them for keeping me so very busy this school year, and let them know that no class will ever be like

theirs.

After I sped my way through speaking (so to avoid tears!), I introduced the girls to their new Counselors, who will get to know them and work with them until they graduate. Each Counselor then personally greeted the girls and told them a little bit about themselves. The Counselors also explained which portion of the alphabet they are assigned to: **Last names A-G are assigned to Mrs. Lowe, H-O assigned to Mrs. Hessler, and P-Z assigned to Mrs. Casey.**

After each Counselor addressed the group, they then formed a single file line to leave the audito-

rium, and I gave each Mercy girl a small token of my appreciation, thanking them for a wonderful year.

It is our department's hope that this Transition Meeting helped the girls put a face and story to the name of their new Counselor, and that there will be less confusion when your daughters return in the fall. Mercy holds many dear ritualized traditions and I am so proud to have introduced a new one to the calendar.

As I too, end my first year at Mercy High School, I hope that you have had as much fun watching your daughters grow as I have. I thank you for bringing all 176 of these very special

“Only she who attempts the absurd can achieve the impossible”

~Robin Morgan, Writer

Final Exam Schedule
Wednesday, June 10: Hours 1 & 4
Thursday, June 11: Hours 2, 5, & 7
Friday, June 12: Hours 3 & 6