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Brookings-Harbor Voices PSA - Freshman On Track

Hi, this is Sean Gallagher – Brookings Harbor School District 17C Superintendent here to talk to you about an exciting trend that is happening at Brookings Harbor High School revolving around a data point that we carefully monitor called Freshman – On – Track.

Freshman – On – Track is a data point that is reported annually on the district report card that is the number one predictor of those students that graduate with a regular diploma over the course of 4 years of high school. Freshman – on – Track simply indicates the percentage of students that earn enough credits during their freshman year to be on track to graduate during their senior year. Research shows that if a freshman student gets behind regarding credits during their freshman year, the likelihood of them graduating during their senior year significantly diminishes. The line of distinction at Brookings Harbor School District for a freshman to remain on track is whether or not they earn 6 academic credits to earn a 24 credit diploma.

The Freshman On Track rates have increased significantly in the last four years and have risen from 59% to 94%. This means that 94% of this years Freshman students are on track to graduate in four years.

The freshman year for any public education student is a significant milestone that needs a lot of attention and intervention. If a student gets behind during their freshman year, then they need to makeup lost credits through summer school and/or online opportunities. The School District has focused on creating multiple prevention programs that allow students to catch up academically before they fail a course.

Remember that only together we can ensure that Every Student Can Succeed here at Brookings-Harbor School District