

FACEtime

Woodgrove High School Advisory Program

Our FACEtime program is based on four phases of building relationships:

Foundations – getting to know one another and our campus culture

Awareness – personal and social awareness

Change – growth as a young adult

Evolving – action and leadership for the future

Our Goals

- Helping students adjust to school and develop necessary soft skills needed to work through any challenge presented to them.
- Encouraging a sense of community, belonging and respect while decreasing anonymity and alienation.
- Empowering student academic success by providing behind-the-scenes support.

Our Plan

- FACEtime meetings are productive and organized and they encourage full participation from student members, student leaders and staff advisors.
- Groups meet for varied amounts of time throughout the week
 - Quick check-ins and announcements on Monday and Tuesday for 15 minutes.
 - Presentations, group games, whole-room discussions and individual advising and coaching on Wednesday and Thursday for 20 minutes.
 - On Friday, students have the opportunity to attend club meetings, visit other teachers for supplemental help or remain in FACEtime for additional support.

The Benefits

- For Students – Opportunities to create meaningful connections with peers and adults, support from staff in the areas of academics, extra-curricular involvement, emotional challenges and celebrating persistence and successes.
- For Staff – Opportunities to help students develop the soft skills that make both teaching and learning more successful: organization, communication, grit, taking feedback and responsibility.
- For Families – Opportunities to connect with additional staff members who have an understanding of the student’s overall progress and involvement, not simply in one class.
- For Woodgrove – Opportunities to gather student input, facilitate problem solving and to set (or reset) campus norms. FACEtime is a natural vehicle for consistently sharing information to our student population.

Partner FACEtime Groups

Groups routinely partner with one another from a different grade level – freshman with juniors, and sophomores with seniors. This framework is designed to create cross-class connections by providing the opportunity for older students to offer advice that might not as easily come from adults, passing on the culture of our school, modeling what to expect in the future and the perk of peer tutoring beyond solely academic concerns.