

P.A.T.H.

What is PATH?

PATH is the Pennfield Advisory Team Hour and meets for the first 20 minutes at the beginning of each school day. Students do not have a book or receive homework assignments, but will receive a pass/fail grade which will appear on each report card. Each student will have the same PATH teacher for the entire school year.

What is the PURPOSE of PATH?

PATH is to ensure that each student has the most successful school year possible. The teacher acts as the 'coach' and the class will work as a team on many relationship building activities, service projects, and responsibility. Students can discuss academic and social concerns with their PATH advisor. No changes will be made with your PATH class or PATH teacher.

What ACTIVITIES will I do in PATH?

ALL activities for PATH are school-wide. Everyone in the whole school is on a PATH team. On Mondays each PATH class will watch/discuss Channel One. Tuesdays are designated for students to read, study, or work on homework. On Wednesdays and Thursdays students will do specific activities with their PATH teacher. On Fridays, the PATH teacher gets to choose the PATH activity. Students will have assignment notebooks and binders checked in PATH. Students will participate in service projects during PATH. You will also have the option of getting extra teacher assistance during this time.

What are the GOALS of PATH?

- 1—To help student develop awareness and understanding of self.
- 2—To help students develop awareness, understanding, and tolerance of others.
- 3—To help students develop relationships and responsibility through discussions, activities, and projects.

What are student expectations for PATH?

1—No put-downs are allowed.

2—Confidentiality is very important within the team. Any statements personal in nature are not to be repeated. No one is required to reveal personal information, but should someone do so, that information is never to leave the classroom. Should you choose to ignore this rule, you will be excluded from team activities. However, students should be advised that teachers are required by law to report what they hear if the information involves a possible crime or harm to a person.

3—We will be tolerant of each other. Tolerance involves offering respect for different opinions, beliefs, and any other differences, even if we do not agree. We will accept each other as we are.

4—PATH is part of the required school day. Students must be on time and in attendance. It is a brief, fun, team building time. If you are not here, you will miss out on great opportunities!