LYONS HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN CHECKLIST 2011-2012

____Make a 4-Year Academic Plan. Go to www.collegeincolorado.org to develop your 4-Year Plan. REMEMBER: You need 24.5 total credits to graduate.

____Start thinking about what you might like to do after high school. **www.collegeincolorado.org** offers a career interest inventory, personality profile that may benefit you as you think about your future.

____Be aware of graduation requirements (see back of sheet) & start researching college entrance requirements for schools you are interested in.

____Get good grades! If you get behind your freshman year it is hard to bring your GPA up. Colleges want to see your class rank, GPA and test scores.

____Attendance is a must!! Being here and be on time to build success!

____Be aware that grades of D or F do not constitute completion at some Colleges/ Universities. Failing a class may mean that you will need to take summer school in order to be on track for High School graduation.

____Attend college fairs, it's not to early to start thinking about college!
Future Fair College & Financial Aid sessions: Wed., 9/28, 4-7 Skyline High School
Saturday College Fair & Workshops: Sat., 10/15, 10:00-2:00 Douglas County HS, Castle Rock
Out of State College Nights: Wed, 10/12 , 6:30-8:30 Monarch HS or Thur, 10/13, 6:30-8:30 Kennedy HS
St. Vrain Valley School District College Fair: Thurs, 10/27, 6:30-8:00 @ Skyline High School

____Be involved in an extra-curricular activities or volunteerism. Document your hours if you are doing community service and keep a log. You will need this for scholarship applications when you are a senior.

____Develop solid study habits and time management skills.
Visit **www.how-to-study.com** for some great study and test taking ideas!!!

____Read a lot! Keep writing too! Work on your math skills!

____Maintain good grades for prerequisites/ recommendations for challenging courses for next year.

You'll be graduating from high school before you know it so make the most of your high school years!!!