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## CONVERSATION SUGGESTIONS 2010 – 2011

- August Introductions - Self description, favorite music, movie, etc.  
 What did students do over summer break? Vacation? Summer school?  
 How many credits did you receive last year (secondary students)?  
 \*\*\*\*\***Three goals for this year?**\*\*\*\*\*
- September What classes are students taking? Do students like the teachers?  
 Which classes are favorites? Hardest?  
 Ask students which teacher is the best and why?  
 Ask students why they can learn / have challenges learning in classes.  
 How many credits do they need to earn in order to be promoted to the  
 next grade in 2011-12 (secondary students)?  
 Sept. 6 Labor Day - Holiday  
 Sept. 27 Student Holiday  
 Check progress towards three goals.
- October Fair Day: Oct. 1 Elementary (regular school day for secondary students and teachers)  
 Oct. 8 Secondary (regular school day for elementary students and teachers)  
 Did student go to the Fair? Favorite activity?  
 Do you celebrate Halloween?  
 Report cards issued on October 12. How were 1<sup>st</sup> six weeks grades?  
 Parent Conferences: Oct. 12 High School, Oct. 13 Middle School and  
 Oct. 14 Elementary  
 What colleges sound interesting?  
 TAKS Testing October 19-22 (various grade levels/subjects)  
 Oct. 22 Students Early Release Day  
 Check progress towards three goals.
- November Thanksgiving break is November 22-26  
 Happy Thanksgiving! Describe what you will do on Thanksgiving.  
 How will student spend Thanksgiving?  
 What are you/student thankful for on this special day?  
 Report cards issued on November 29. How were 2<sup>nd</sup> six weeks grades?  
 What were grades? Pass all classes? Fail any classes? Why?  
 Check progress towards three goals.
- December Winter break is December 20 to January 31  
 Final Exams for 1<sup>st</sup> semester are given after winter break  
 Happy Holidays! Does family celebrate in special way?  
 Plans for the holidays?  
 Does the school or church or community have a special event planned?  
 Check progress towards three goals.

- January Jan. 3 Student Holiday  
Jan. 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday  
Jan. 18 Student Holiday  
Jan. 28 Early Release Day  
New classes for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester?  
Report cards issued on January 25  
What were grades? If a class (or project, or exam) was failed, how will it be made up?  
Check progress towards three goals.
- February Happy Valentines! Plans? Special person?  
Career interests?  
Observances this month: Engineers Week, Healthy Heart Week, Kindness Week  
Check progress towards three goals.
- March TAKS Testing March 1-4 (various grade levels/subjects)  
Report cards issued on March 8  
Parent Conferences: March 8 High School, March 9 Middle School, and March 10 Elementary School  
Spring Break March 14-18 Plans for Spring Break?  
Check progress towards three goals
- April TAKS Testing April 4-5 and April 25-29 (various grade levels/subjects)  
Do students think they will pass classes?  
Report cards issued on April 25  
Check progress towards three goals
- May TAKS Testing May 16-18 (various grade levels/subjects)  
May 30 Memorial Day Holiday
- June Last day of school June 2  
Plans for summer?  
Summer school? Camp? Vacation?  
Attend end of the year event?  
Report cards issued on June 2 (Elem) or June 8 (Sec)  
Reflection on the year...Good happenings?