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It is done alphabetically by last names.

Applications are still being accepted for the winter semester. Those interested should contact the campus for counseling and admission procedures. Classes are scheduled to begin Monday, Jan. 12.



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Basics are debated

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prehending the senior high books. There are a few students who have trouble with the junior high texts. She hopes that these students will receive help with their reading handicap.

Although she said these problems surfaced in only one of her history classes, she admitted she has to give a brief explanation of basic English grammar to her language class.

Some students won't understand her explanation of the parts of speech in Spanish grammar unless she explains English grammar to them.

"I should be teaching some writing with history," she added.

The students are exposed to basic English grammar, but they don't pay attention, the teachers said.

They may be good students, able to read and write, but they don't seem willing to try. Mrs. Garmerus explained there are different levels of motivation and interest among students.

Clayton Graham, principal of Farmington High School, believes that students can't be forced to take the courses they should. He believes the school system shouldn't play God and try to determine the types of courses a particular student should take.

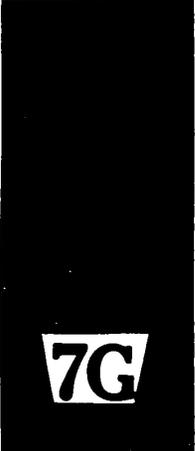
of it tried. I couldn't answer the question. I give up.

When a student feels that he or she isn't learning anything, or can't learn anything in school, the student may start to skip classes, instructors agreed. They also agreed that inadequate comprehension of basic skills is the major classroom problem. Counselors agree that skipping is a major nationwide problem.

Robert Lektovich, a counselor at Farmington High School, agreed that constant skipping is a sign of academic or personal problems.

Students sometimes do not recognize the need for a certain class. They tend to take classes in basic skills when they realize they can use those skills.

Lektovich said some students come to him asking for classes to help build up basic skills.



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