As well as positive expectations for high school, a freshman has fears of the new environment.

The high school that a freshman either has a bad or good reputation, and if it does happen to have a bad reputation, that can make a freshman very worried about going to high school. Bad reputations can ruin the new students chance of feeling comfortable during the first couple weeks of school, and are sometimes the reason why freshmen take longer to adapt to high school than it did to middle school. A freshman may also be worried about being the target of bullies, gangs, or even theft. This is one of the biggest negative expectation a freshman may have for high school, and it is easy to see why high school is a big scary place for new students.

people, worrying about time management, and fearing the new environment. These expectations often are the daily battles that define who freshmen are and what they make their year to be. If freshmen let all the negative expectations rule their lives for the first year, it will be a very miserable year. However, if freshmen set their attitudes right, and only let their expectations influence them in a positive way, they are bound to have a great year.