

SENIOR PARENT MEETING

Fall
Class of 2018

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Senior calendar of information.

Counselors

Ms. Wiskow – Monday – Friday

Ms. Bruesewitz – Mon., Wed., and Friday

Mrs. Deiss – Counseling Office Secretary –
Mon-Friday

Service Learning

- Seniors need 50 service learning hours to graduate
- Lettering in Service Learning
 - 100 hrs plus capstone project
- See Mrs. Pechacek with questions

Final Year

- Narrowed down plans for life after high school
- Workforce
- Tech school
- Apprenticeship
- Military
- 4 year college

Senior Conferencing

- September – October
- 45 mins long with student and parent(s)/guardian(s)
- Transcript Review/Credit Check, Future Opportunities (College Fairs, ASVAB, ACT, etc), Post-HS Plans, Applications, Financial Aid and Scholarships, Internet resources, any questions and concerns
- This conference is very important in planning for senior year, as well as life after high school

An Academically Rigorous Year

- STUDENTS MUST CONTACT COLLEGE ADMISSIONS IF THEY NEED TO MAKE CHANGES TO THEIR SCHEDULE - YOUR APPLICATION IS A SIGNED DOCUMENT STATING THESE ARE THE COURSES YOU ARE GOING TO TAKE
- Colleges receive your final transcript from us after school is done

The Application Process

- Online applications:
 - Request transcripts through Career Cruising *under "My Education"
 - Notify EHS Counseling Office once submitted for transcripts/test scores/letters of rec/etc.
- There will be application fees
- Some schools require letters of rec for admission, and some scholarships do as well
- READ APPLICATION PROCESS CAREFULLY AND FULLY AS COLLEGES ARE DIFFERENT AND REQUIRE DIFFERENT PAPERWORK

College Deadlines

- Apply before Christmas for priority deadlines (4 yr).
- Elementary Educ. and Animal Science @ UWRF APPLY EARLY (Oct.)
- UW - Madison:
 - First notification deadline November 1st
 - Second notification deadline Feb 1st
- UW - Madison requires:
 - transcripts from each HS attended
 - 4 years of math (and for U of MN) - *doesn't include: statistics, business math, and computer classes*
- U of MN. First priority - November 1st
- During certain times the application fee waived for MnSCU colleges excludes University of Minnesota colleges (ask before applying)

Electronic application - print out counselor page if one exists

Tech Schools

- Look for any specific requirements (i.e Health programs often require HS Chemistry)
- Other programs may have specific requirements
- Be aware of waiting lists for competitive programs
 - Welding at WITC
 - Nursing at CVTC

Reciprocity

- Still exists with Minnesota
- Pay roughly the same amount as MN residents pay
- Complete online form in the Spring of the year (link can be found on the Counseling office website)

Letters of Recommendation

- Complete form with background information and give to staff to help write the letter or use Career Cruising resume
- Allow at least 2 weeks for the letter to be written
- UW - Madison = can use online letter of rec link

**Students that are "on the bubble" in terms of admissions should ask one or two core academic teachers for letters of rec.

College Visits

- A MUST
- Shows you classrooms, college life, buildings, school population, dorms, activities, sports, what your life may be like as a student on that campus
- Students can have up to 2 days excused if they have good attendance

Meet with College Reps Here at School

- Your chance to ask any questions you may have about the admission process, housing, financial aid, classes/majors, etc
- We will announce when schools are coming
- Sign up in Flexi
- Many colleges/tech schools have Open Houses- usually Saturday or evenings

Career Cruising

- A resource for looking for colleges, careers, take interest inventories, etc
- Different than 10th grade career unit with the school counselors
- Get log on from counselors

ACT

- Tests in English, Reading, Math, Science, and optional Writing
- Most four year colleges in the midwest require this test for admission
- Next test date - December 9 test date -Nov 3 deadline
- Given at Baldwin-Woodville, Hudson, Menomonie, River Falls, St. Croix Central, Hastings, and Red Wing
- \$42.50 - no writing; \$58.50 - with writing
- Some colleges require ACT + Writing (U of MN schools & UW Madison)
- We will always post your best score to your transcript
- Use Method Test Prep in Career Cruising or sign up with Mr. Christensen for FREE online Prep class

SAT

- Attending colleges on either the East or West Coasts
- Typically each year only one or two EHS students
- Not given at EHS - students must register for the assessment and select from a variety of locations to test at.
- The basic fee for the SAT is \$54.50
- Online review available

ASVAB

- Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery
- Required for entry into the military
- Recommended for any junior or senior who is uncertain as to what they want to do once they graduate and are looking for some clarification.
- Students have to sign up before the assessment is given to either allow their personal information and scores be released to the military or to not allow any of the results released to the military.
- Counselors will help you interpret the results.
- Administered here at EHS on Wednesday, November 15, 2017. Sign up in EHS Counseling Office.
- This test is free of charge.

Placement Tests

- Winter/Spring of senior year.
- Math, English & foreign lang.
- Colleges will contact you, but you can always look on their website.

Accuplacer

- Administered by each institution itself.
- The test helps determine what classes a student should be placed in.
- Southeast Technical – Red Wing, Dakota Co. Technical College, Rochester Community and Technical College, and Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College (WITC)
- NEW-as of Jan 2017 CVTC will be using it as well
- Students must register for the assessment through each of the individual college campuses
- There is a fee for the exam (around \$30)
- Online review available

Financial Aid

- Scholarships: Fastweb, local scholarships - scholarship binder in the counseling office, school specific, employers, organizations student/family involved in
- Beware of scholarship scams. If they ask you for money, it is a scam. You do not need to pay for scholarships to get one.
- FAFSA - Free application for federal student aid. Required for most colleges - federal grants, loans, and work study
 - NEW- Can apply now (October)
 - FAFSA Workshops- available on multiple dates in multiple locations

Scholarships

- EHS local scholarships available February 2018 in the Counseling Office
- Other scholarships in purple binder in counseling office and announcements

EHS - Opportunities for earning college credit

Advanced Standing/Transcribed Credit
Advanced Placement Classes
Project Lead the Way
Youth Options

EHS Classes Earning College Credit

Transcribed Credit Classes:

Computer 1 & Multimedia
Child Care Assistant
Plant Science
Horse, Dairy, & Livestock
Advanced Accounting
Personal Finance
Webpage Design
Medical Terminology
Entrepreneurship
Parenting
Sales & Marketing & Advertising and Design

Advanced Standing Classes:

Math for the Trades

Transcribed Credit - Direct credit from CVTC. Upon successful completion, grades are posted to an official transcript from the college and tabulated into your college GPA. Generally transferable to other colleges.

Advanced Standing - Credit is delayed until you apply to CVTC or another technical school in WI. You can earn the credit, but the grade does not apply to your college GPA. Must earn a B or better.

Advanced Placement Classes

- Must sure you request from the College Board where to have scores sent to (we do not do this for you)
- AP TEST SCORES NOT A PART OF YOUR HS TRANSCRIPT - But you do earn an additional 0.05 bonus weighted grade added to your high school GPA for the AP class
- Need to earn a 3, 4, or 5 (out of 5) on the final AP test in order to receive AP credit from college
- Saves you time and money

Project Lead The Way Engineering Courses

- Four courses max
- Can also earn college credit. You will complete the paperwork with your teacher
- If scores meet requirements, credits may be granted through the Milwaukee School of Engineering

Youth Options

- Oct. 1st was deadline for spring semester classes
- CVTC, UW-RF (closest options)
- Classes that are not provided here at school
- The school pays for tuition and books
- If you drop the class after it starts or receive a failing grade, then you are responsible for paying for the class

NCAA Eligibility Center

- Must register through the NCAA Clearinghouse to play division 1 and 2 sports as a freshmen
- Be very cautious of the English requirements-NCAA doesn't recognize Intro to Theatre, Technical Writing & Career Comm as English credit
- Should be registered at the start of your junior year. \$70

Selective Service

- Once a male turns 18, he must register within 30 days of his birthday with the selective service
- Student will not be offered any student aid to go to school if you do not
- May be denied benefits or a job if you do not
- Student will need his social security number
- Can register at the post office or with Mrs. Deiss

MN/National College Fair

- September 28th- deadline was Friday to sign up
- Buses will leave EHS at 7:45 and will return for 3rd lunch
- Students were charged \$10 to cover the cost of the bus
- Interested juniors and seniors can attend

WI. Education (Career) Fair

- October 13th: 6:30-8:30 pm.
- UW-Eau Claire at the Zorn Arena.
- EHS will not be attending but may attend on own time