
Junior Parent Night

Welcome

October 2018

Tonight's Agenda

- ❑ College Search Process
- ❑ College Visits
- ❑ Course Selection for Senior Year
- ❑ College Admissions Testing
- ❑ Timeline for Junior and Senior tasks
- ❑ Naviance

Various Possible Future Goals

- ❑ Employment, the Service or Training programs
- ❑ Associates Degree or Certificate
 - ❑ Guaranteed transfer options
- ❑ Bachelors Degree
 - Liberal Arts Schools
 - Specific Interest Schools – Visual and Performing Arts, Technical etc...

To Assist in the Search and Selection at LOLHS

- ❑ Classroom presentations
- ❑ Family meeting with counselor
- ❑ Naviance and College Websites
- ❑ LOLHS Newsletters and Website will include Instructions and Forms
- ❑ Follow-up meetings with Sch. Counselor
- ❑ Writing and Communication class 12th

Finding a Good Fit Requires Research

NAVIANCE:

- College Search
- Maintain a list Reach/ Match/ Likelies
- Research data for schools
- Compare yourself / competitiveness
- Application Processing in 12th grade
 - transcripts
 - recommendation
 - other forms

Search Considerations

- ❑ Distance from home or States
- ❑ Size
- ❑ Type of College
- ❑ Competitiveness level
- ❑ Majors or career direction
- ❑ Cost
- ❑ Internships and study abroad
- ❑ Other special considerations- individualized

Other Sources for Research

College Websites

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www.collegeboard.com

www.finaid.org, www.collegequest.com

College Fairs

Campus visits / interview

College Guidebooks: Including Fiske

Media magazines etc...

Criteria Schools Consider

- ❑ Transcript –course selection and grades
- ❑ Overall GPA, or recalculated (weighted)
- ❑ Admissions Test Results – varies school to school (fairtest.org) SAT or ACT
- ❑ Counselor and Teacher recommendations
- ❑ Application – Essay and Question answers
- ❑ Resume – activities outside of the classroom

Schools may also consider...

- ❑ Special talents skills and interests
- ❑ Major
- ❑ Possible interviews
- ❑ Alumni relationship (Legacy)

College Fairs

- ❑ Local and National

- ❑ Visual and Performing Arts

 - Talk to College Admissions Reps, Information
Show Interest

 - Pick up Materials -a view book, catalog,

 - Inquire about visiting and Open House

 - Contact Get a business card from the rep

Importance of the College Visit

- ❑ Informative- You get an inside view of life on the campus.
- ❑ Best when school is in session
- ❑ Research the college prior to your visit.
- ❑ Sign up on college website ahead to schedule a tour, info. session, interview
- ❑ Show your interest in the school

Resume

- ❑ Include Everything and Highlight Assets...
- ❑ Awards, Honors, Special Accomplishments
- ❑ Activities and Extracurricular
- ❑ Volunteer / Community Service
- ❑ Jobs / Hobbies

This document can be easily uploaded or attached to many documents including scholarship applications

Senior Year Course Selection

- ❑ March – Course selection
- ❑ Students should challenge themselves at highest level appropriate and continue strong efforts throughout the senior year
- ❑ College required courses vary by school, state and program
- ❑ Continue in all academic areas -*okay to trade off courses to pursue areas of interest*
- ❑ Take advantage of opportunities like School To Career and VHS
- ❑ Pursue a passion

Testing

- ❑ PSAT /October
- ❑ SAT and SAT Subject Test
- ❑ ACT option
- ❑ ASVAB

SAT Scoring

Evidence Based Reading and Writing = 1Score
200-800

Math with Calculator and without Calculator
200-800

Essay Separate 2-8

- ❑ Not penalized for guessing
- ❑ More aligned with school curriculum

SAT Preparation

- Daily School work and reading
- PSAT results
- School Based prep workshops
- Classroom teachers infused work
- Khan Academy personalized connection
- Free online test prep with practice tests
- Professional Prep Courses or Tutoring
(Handouts)
- www.collegeboard.com,
- www.actstudent.org

Register for tests at collegeboard.com or actstudent.org

- ❑ Offered about every month, 8 dates for SATs and 6 dates for ACTs.
- ❑ ACT and SAT are on different Saturdays but SATs and Subject Area Tests share Saturday dates.
 - ❑ *(Handout with dates)*

SAT Subject Area Tests

- ❑ approximately 120 selective colleges require 2 or 3 subjects required
- ❑ 1 hour subject achievement tests
- ❑ Closely correlates with AP subjects
- ❑ Offered on the same dates as SAT and can take between 1 and 3 per date

ACT

- ❑ Math, Reading, Science and optional writing
 - ❑ Score up to 36
- www.actstudent.org

Assignment of Roles in the College Application Process:

Student

Primary Responsibility

Research, Compare, Prioritize, Communicate

Meet deadlines and work hard

Parent/ Guardian

Coach, Prompter, Practical Limit Setter,

Possible Secretarial Help if Needed

Counselor

Provide Information

Assist in exploration and process

Support applicant through the process

Junior Calendar – organization and record keeping

- ❑ PSATs in October
- ❑ Family and Counselor meeting- Winter
- ❑ College Fairs and College Visits Spring
- ❑ Admissions Testing twice in Spring
deadlines to sign up for tests
- ❑ Update Resume ongoing
- ❑ Consider teacher recommendations
- ❑ Research and Organize info on colleges

Naviance Parent Workshop

January 15th, 2019, 6:30 pm

Call School Counseling Office to register. Let us know if you need to reserve a computer.

The Road to Graduation & Beyond

Patience, Persistence, Organization

Keep perspective

Look to the future

Don't miss the important moments!