



CLASS OF 2022 COLLEGE GUIDE

JUNIOR COLLEGE KICK OFF

Tuesday, January 12 (last names A-K) and Thursday, January 14 (last names L-Z) | 6-7:30 p.m. in the gym
College Admission Reps will present information about the college process in a panel-style discussion. Due to capacity restrictions, only one parent will be allowed to attend with their daughter. **Please note that this event is mandatory for juniors.**

SCOIR

Now is the time for Juniors to explore and SCOIR is a great place to start. What is SCOIR?

- **SCOIR** is an online college and career database that Nerinx students will use for college searches, keeping track of applications and also to request transcripts
- Students can search for schools based on criteria, follow schools, take virtual tours, and even use an analysis feature (also called scattergrams) to see how competitive the school is based on past acceptances/denials
- Students will use SCOIR to create a list of schools they are interested in and eventually a list of schools to which they will apply. Ultimately, students will use SCOIR to request transcripts
- Students can invite parents to join SCOIR once they are logged in
- **BOOKMARK THIS WEBSITE FOR EASY ACCESS: <https://app.scoir.com/signin>**

CAREER ASSESSMENT

A Career and Aptitude Assessment called “You Science” is also available on SCOIR. To access it:

- Click on “My Profile” at the top
- Click on “Career Profile” on the left side
- Click on “Get Started”

PLEASE NOTE: the assessment can take up to 2 hours or more. However, students may complete one section at a time, as SCOIR will save progress (sections are anywhere between 5-15 minutes). By taking the assessment, students will be matched to various careers/jobs based on their answers. Learning about careers and jobs will assist in the college search by narrowing down schools based on majors for these careers/jobs. With that said, if students are still undecided, it is OKAY! They do not need to have a major chosen when applying to college. College is also a time to explore and narrow down career options.
Students must complete this assessment prior to their individual meeting with their counselor 2nd semester.

EXPLORE

Students can take virtual tours of college campuses, academic buildings and dorm rooms by going to the college website, or they are available on SCOIR. Colleges will also be available for virtual college fairs and through College Rep Visits at Nerinx second semester. Juniors are allowed 2 excused absences to take college visits. Mrs. Crenshaw must receive notification via phone from the parent at least 1 week in advance of a visit. It is the responsibility of the student to notify her teachers of a college visit and copy Mrs. Crenshaw and the college counselor on her email to her teachers. Getting onto college campuses will really

help students get a feel for the size and culture of the school.

COLLEGE REP VISITS AT NERINX

Students will have the opportunity to virtually visit with college reps during second semester. SCOIR will have the most up-to-date calendar and time of visits and is also where students register. Once registered, they will gain access to the Zoom link. Visits can be watched from anywhere in school or at home. We strongly encourage students to attend these virtual visits to meet the rep and ask questions.

ACT TESTING

It is a national recommendation that students begin testing during their junior year. It is also recommended to take the ACT 3-4 times by October of Senior year. While many schools are test optional for the Class of 2021, we cannot guarantee that they will be for the Class 2022. Therefore, we strongly recommend that students plan on testing so that they do not limit their options for college admissions and scholarships. Nerinx will provide students with an opportunity to test on campus on Tuesday, March 30, 2021. We encourage students to take an ACT test prior to the mandatory ACT test at Nerinx and then 1-2 more times after. Students do not need to register for the test at Nerinx. For all other ACT tests, students must register on the ACT website at www.myact.org. Students can also find more information, national testing dates and deadlines.

ACT OR SAT

The ACT tends to be the more favored test for our students and in the St. Louis area. Most students tend to have more success on the ACT test. Students can, however, take the SAT as well, or in place of the ACT. Counselors will help make recommendations based on the students practice SAT (PSAT) and practice ACT (Pre-ACT). Either test is accepted for admission into college. More information can be found at www.act.org (ACT) or www.collegeboard.org (SAT).

COLLEGE MEETINGS

Next spring, we will meet individually with every junior in order to learn more about her post-secondary goals and her plan for reaching those goals. We will discuss ACT/SAT scores, test prep, college visits, college athletics, career aspirations and any current colleges of interest, plus financial aid and scholarships. Parents are highly encouraged to come since college is most certainly a family decision. More details on scheduling a meeting will be provided in the second semester.

COLLEGE ATHLETES

Students who are interested in playing DI, DII or NAIA sports in college should check out the following websites: NCAA <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/> and/or NAIA <https://www.playnaia.org/>. Students are required to be "cleared" to play sports in college. You can start this process junior year by registering with the NCAA or NAIA.

PRE-COLLEGE AND SUMMER PROGRAMS

Colleges offer a variety of experiences for high school students over the summer on their campus. A pre-college program offers high school students the opportunity to take classes and experience college life during the summer while a summer program offers high school students the opportunity to explore various careers and interests. Schools will also have programs ranging from Acapella to Robotics to Veterinary Studies. Visit the college website to learn about what they have to offer.

If you need any assistance with the college process, please feel free to make an appointment:

[Mrs. Sumpter \(last names A-K\)](#)

[Mrs. Carr \(last names L-Z\)](#)