

Senior Parent Meeting

August 25th, 2021

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Tonight's Agenda

- Senior Events Calendar
- Post-Secondary Options
- Senior Year At a Glance
- College Admission Factors
- Academic Preparedness and Testing
- Common Application and SchooLinks
- Scholarships and Financial Aid



Senior Events Calendar

- Ohio Seal of Biliteracy Test – **October 13th** from 7:30–10:00 AM (Must register by **September 10th**)
- Homecoming – **October 2nd**
- Suburban College Fair – **October 10th**
- End of 1st Quarter – **October 14th**
- Der Dutchman – **November 19th**
- End of 1st Semester – **December 17th**
- Graduation – **May 22nd** at 12:00 PM at the **Schottenstein Center**

Post-Secondary Options

- Military
- Work
- Gap year
- Technical/Trade school
- 2 year college
- 4 year college/university



Senior Year At a Glance

- Fall of Senior Year:
 - Senior Schedule and Honors diploma requirements
 - Senior class meeting and meet individually with counselor
 - Sign up for college representative visits*
 - Complete ACT/SAT testing
 - Complete applications
 - Complete the FAFSA (**Oct. 1st**)
- Spring of Senior Year:
 - Apply for local scholarships
 - Finalize post-secondary plans



Considerations in Choosing a College

- Identify a career path
 - Utilize career exploration tools and assessments in Naviance
- Identify type of education needed for desired career
- Identify most important factors: cost, size, location, athletics, clubs, etc.
- Compare and contrast admission requirements
- Explore honors and scholars programs
- Visit college campuses and programs of interest
- Compare and contrast academic profile to the admitted freshmen class profile



College Admission Factors

- High School transcript
- Grade Point Average
- Senior Schedule
- Test Scores
- Extracurricular Activities
- Leadership Experiences
- Letters of Recommendation
- Personal Essay
- Counselor Evaluation



Testing

- Most colleges do require either ACT or SAT
- Last testing dates for colleges to receive scores by November 1st deadline:
 - ACT: September 11th
 - SAT: October 2nd
- Recommend taking the writing portion at least once
- Official scores must be sent directly from the testing agency (act.org and/or collegeboard.org)
- Transcripts **DO NOT** include official test scores.

Application Types and Deadlines

- **Regular Decision** – traditional time frame for the college application acceptance process; each college has a different deadline
- **Early Decision** – option for the application to be one “first choice” school; *binding*; must attend if accepted
- **Early Action** – can result in early acceptance, first consideration for scholarships, non-binding
- **Rolling Admissions** – students are accepted/denied as applications are received

Common Application

- Common Application (**commonapp.org**) - one stop application shop for over 900 participating colleges/universities
 - Select schools to which you're applying and pay separate fees
 - Opens in August 2021
 - OHS transcripts available mid September
 - Visit college admission websites to determine if your school is a Common App school

SchoolLinks

- New college and career software system
- Families will receive login information in September
- College Research Process
- Career Interest Inventories
- College Application Process:
 - Link with the Common App
 - Request transcripts
 - Request letters of recommendation
 - Search for local and national scholarships



Scholarships and Financial Aid

- Applying early action provides more opportunities for merit-based scholarships at each individual college
- Complete the FAFSA - opens **October 1st, 2021**
- FAFSA workshops put on by local colleges
- Check with Financial Aid office at each college
- Local and national scholarship list in SchooLinks



Resources

- [SchooLinks](#)
- [Commonapp.org](#)
- [Act.org](#)
- [Collegeboard.org](#)
- [Finaid.org](#)
- [Fafsa.gov](#)
- [Ncaa.org](#)



School Resources

- Schoology: OHS Student Services Course
- School Website: ohs.olentangy.k12.oh.us
- Braves Online
- Twitter: @Braves_Guidance



Balance

Resilience

Attitude

Value

Empathy

