GLENOAK HIGH SCHOOL POST-GRADUATION GUIDE FOR SENIORS 2023-2024



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Class of 2024 Google Classroom Code: zx5nwwd

Final Graduation Credit Check:

English	4 Credits
Math	
Social Studies	3 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Health	0.5 Credit
P.E.	0.5 Credit*
Fine Art	
Electives	

- *Students who have completed either two seasons of an interscholastic sport or two seasons of marching band are exempt from the P.E. credit requirement.
- **Students completing a career-tech pathway are exempt from the fine art requirement.

Post-High School Plans:

Our goal is for every GlenOak graduate to transition into a post-secondary outcome that suits their skills, talents, and goals. This document has a guide to support each positive outcome, including the following:

- 1. College (Four-Year/Two-Year/Certificate Program)
- 2. Military
- 3. Trade Apprenticeship
- 4. Workforce

Counselor Contact Information - GRADES 10-12:

STUDENT LAST NAME

COUNSELOR

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Guide for the College-Bound Student

Please take a moment and review this information prior to beginning your application process. Students should apply early in the fall of their senior year to maximize opportunities for scholarships and financial aid. If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact your school counselor or Mrs. Zurbuch, School Counselor/College Advisor, at zurbuchk@plainlocal.org.

College Application Process

- 1. Gather the list of colleges you are applying to and take note of any and all deadlines.
- 2. Submit your applications online via the <u>Common Application</u> (if the college you're applying to uses it) or directly to the college using the online application provided on the college's website. Pay close attention to deadlines and follow directions. Some colleges are Common Application exclusive, some use their own online application available on their websites and some use both and leave the choice up to you. Other application options include the Common Black Application (Historically Black Colleges & Universities).
- **3.** If you are applying via the Common Application, the counselor you listed in your Common Application will receive an email prompting them to send your transcripts, as well as a counselor recommendation if it is required. ACT/SAT scores are not included on transcripts sent to colleges. You will need to make a separate request for ACT/SAT scores to be sent (see instructions on how to request ACT/SAT scores below).
- **4.** If the college(s) you are applying to require teacher recommendations, please ask your teachers in person first. Then, if you are applying via the Common Application, add them as a recommender, and they will be sent an email directly from Common Application prompting them to upload and submit a letter of recommendation. If you are applying online directly to the university (not Common App), you will need to either send in the letter yourself or provide an email address where your teacher can email the document to the college. Please give your teachers at least ten days advance notice of any application deadline.



Submitting and Requesting Official Transcripts for College Applications

NOTE: ACT and SAT scores are not included on transcripts.

If You Are Applying to College via Common Application

- 1. Go to the FERPA/Recommender section of the "My Colleges" tab on the Common App to invite your counselor to be a recommender. Doing this will trigger an email message to the counselor to submit all necessary school forms online directly through the Common Application, including an official transcript. There is no separate transcript request needed outside of the Common Application.
- **2.** Midyear transcripts will be uploaded into the Common App by the school counselor if you indicated in your Common App that midyear transcripts are required.

If You Are Applying Directly to the Institution (Not Using the Common App)

- 1. Log into Parchment and click on "Order Transcript."
- 2. Type the name of the university in the search box, and select the correct university when it appears.
- **3.** Sign in the signature box granting permission to release your transcript. If you are under 18, your parent or legal guardian will need to sign off.
- 4. Check the required box certifying your authorization, and click "Continue."
- 5. Click "Complete Order." There is no fee for transcripts for current GlenOak students.



Submitting ACT and/or SAT Scores for College Applications

IMPORTANT: Some universities require that ACT/SAT scores be sent directly from the testing agency and will not accept unofficial ACT/SAT scores. It is the student's responsibility to request ACT/SAT scores from the testing agency if the university they are applying to requires it. Students must log into their ACT or Collegeboard (SAT) account to request their official scores to be sent.

How to request unofficial ACT and SAT via Parchment (for Colleges that accept UNOFFICIAL SCORES):

- 1. Log into Parchment and click on "Order ACT Scores" or "Order SAT scores."
- 2. Type in the name of the college in the search box, and select the correct college.
- 3. Click "Continue."
- 4. Click "Complete order."

Additional Information Related to College Enrollment

College Application Fee Waivers:

Students who qualify for free or reduced school fees may request college application fee waivers. Requests can be submitted directly through the Common Application. For non-Common Applications, application fee waivers can be requested in Parchment.

ACT/SAT Testing:

Take the ACT/SAT no later than the December testing date. Be aware of the registration deadline, which is usually one month prior to the testing date. Please note that many colleges/universities have adopted a "test-optional" admission policy, meaning that ACT or SAT scores are not required. Check each university's admissions office website to verify their testing requirements.

ACT: www.act.org

SAT: https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration/online-registration

* If you qualify for free or reduced lunch/school fee waivers, please email Mrs. Zurbuch at zurbuchk@plainlocal.org to obtain an ACT or SAT registration fee waiver.



College Athletic Eligibility:

If you are planning to participate in Division I or II intercollegiate athletics, you must be certified by the NCAA or NAIA to be eligible and complete the online application.

NCAA: www.ncaa.org

NAIA: www.playnaia.com/psaRegister.php

Financial Aid:

Students seeking financial aid must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which provides access to need-based financial aid such as grants, loans and work-study.

- 1. Student and at least one parent/guardian request FSA ID (you can do this anytime). https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch.
- 2. Beginning in December, current seniors can complete the FAFSA online. https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa.

Scholarships:

Local scholarships will be posted in the Class of 2023 Google Classroom, as well as in the weekly GlenOak parent newsletter email and on social media platforms. Stark Community Foundation is a main provider of local scholarships, and other scholarships are posted on the GOHS Counselor Webpage. There are also several national scholarship search engines, such as www.fastweb.com, www.goingmerry.com and www.raise.me.

College Visits at GlenOak:

Admissions representatives from several universities will be visiting GlenOak throughout the fall to meet with students and answer questions about the enrollment process, scholarships, campus life and more. Students can see the full list of colleges coming to GlenOak and can sign up here: www.tinyurl.com/GOHSCollegeRep.

On-Campus Visits:

Students receive three excused absences for college visits. Upon scheduling your appointment at the university, notify your academy secretary prior to your visit. You will need to bring back verification from the university that you visited campus that day (a letter on letterhead is typically provided by the university) and submit it to your academy secretary.

Questbridge:

Questbridge is a program that links high achieving high school students from lower-income families (household incomes less than \$65,000) with 40 of the most elite universities across the country using The National College Match. Applications are due in late September. To learn more, visit www.questbridge.org.



Important Dates for College-Bound Seniors

September 5 - 6: Senior Classroom Guidance

October 2 - 6: College Application Week

October 3: College Fair 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

GlenOak High School Main Commons

November 1: Early Action Application Deadline

December - January: Virtual Financial Aid Nights (TBA)

January - April: Local scholarship applications become available

April 3 - May 1: Online College and Career Signing Celebration



Guide for the Military-Bound Student

Benefits of Enlisting in the Military

- A Guaranteed Paycheck and Cash Bonuses
- Education Benefits
- Advanced and Specialty Training
- Travel
- Tax-Free Room, Board and Allowances
- Health and Dental Care
- Special Home Loans and Discounts
- Highly Sought-After Skills, Leadership and Training Experience

The first step in enlisting in the military is to contact your local recruiter. A list of our local recruiting offices is provided below. Your recruiter will take you through the process of taking the ASVAB test and discuss service choices as well as eligibility requirements.

LOCAL RECRUITING OFFICES:

ARMY

4933 Whipple Ave NW, Canton, OH 44718 (330) 493-3320

AIR FORCE

4329 Whipple Ave NW, Canton OH 44718 (330) 575-8085

MARINES

4933 Whipple Ave NW, Canton, OH 44718 (330) 492-1170

NATIONAL GUARD

5999 W. Airport Drive, North Canton, OH 44720 (330) 690-5619

NAVY

4933 Whipple Ave NW, Canton, OH 44718 (330) 493-9033

COAST GUARD

3470 Westgate Fairview Park, 0H 44126 (440) 895-9642



Guide for the Trades/Workforce-Bound Student

Trade Apprenticeships:

Apprenticeship programs in the trades provide pay and benefits while being trained by skilled journeymen. They are a great option for those who do not want to attend a traditional 2-year or 4-year college but want to learn skills in high demand and earn a good income relatively quickly. The average yearly salary for a 5th-year Journeyman is around \$58,000 with full benefits. To learn more, check out the Trades magazine, published by the East Central Ohio Building and Construction Trades Council at www.tinyurl.com/GOApprenticeGuide.

Workforce:

One of the best places to start your job search is the Ohio Means Jobs website at https://jobseeker.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com. Here, you can see jobs available in your area of interest and apply for positions directly through the website. Other tools available include lessons on resume building, interviewing skills, interest inventories, and personal budgeting. Other job-seeking resources include www.starkjobs.com and www.careerbuilder.com.



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