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College Counseling Programming for Grade 9-12 Students and Families

Throughout the school year the college counselors will meet with students during the regular Future Pathways course. In Grades 11-12, the course meets every other week. In Grades 9-10, the course meets during some Advisory classes. We also offer presentations designed for both parents and students to join together, as well as some for parents only.

All presentations from the Future Pathways course are available for students on the grade level Google Classroom. Topics from recent future pathways courses are shared with parents through the weekly [TASIS Times](#). Presentations from sessions that include parents are sent via email and will be uploaded to LMS.

The schedule below is organized by grade level, starting with grade 9. Follow the links below to jump to a specific grade level: [Grade 10](#), [Grade 11](#), [Grade 12](#)

Grade 9 Schedule:

Session	Audience	Topic(s)
September Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Timeline for the Grade 9 year● Introduction to Maia Learning
Future Pathways Session 1	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Timeline for the Grade 9 year● Introduction to College Counseling Program● Maia Learning Introduction● Attending university visits● Google classroom
Fall Art Portfolio Workshop	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Annual arts portfolio workshop by university guest presenter(s) for upper school students
November Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
November Conferences	Parents & Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Families will have the opportunity to schedule conference with college counseling contact
Future Pathways Session 2	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Using Maia Learning to look into Work Values● Exploring career options
Future Pathways Session 3	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Additional Careers Exploration Activity
February Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
February Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● PIRC & College Counseling co-hosted Parent Panel: Reducing Anxiety (for all grade levels)
Future Pathways Session 4	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Introduction to resumes and C.V.'s● Resume writing tips



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April Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 5	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Summer plans and options

Grade 10 Schedule:

Session	Audience	Topic(s)
September Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Timeline for the Grade 10 year ● Review of Maia Learning
Future Pathways Session 1	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Timeline for the Grade 10 year ● Review of Maia Learning ● Attending university visits ● PSAT ● Transcripts ● Google classroom
Future Pathways Session 2	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Resume writing workshop
Fall Art Portfolio Workshop	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Annual arts portfolio workshop by university guest presenter(s) for upper school students
November Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
November Conferences	Parents & Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Families will have the opportunity to schedule conference with college counseling contact
Future Pathways Session 3	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Academic Planning and Subject Choices ● Reviewing and understanding PSAT results
Future Pathways Session 4	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction to Morrisby ● Finding university entry requirements
February Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 5	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Understanding Morrisby results
PIRC & College Counseling Panel	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PIRC & College Counseling co-hosted Parent Panel: Reducing Anxiety (for all grade levels)
Career Speaker Series	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Co-hosted with TPA: Career Speaker Series in the second semester



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Future Pathways Session 6	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment Opportunities
April Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 7	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback and Advice from TASIS Seniors

Grade 11 Schedule:

Session	Audience	Topic(s)
September Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timeline for the Grade 11 year Review of Maia Learning
Future Pathways Session 1	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timeline for the Grade 11 year Review of Maia Learning: Career search, university search, and resumes Attending university visits
Future Pathways Session 2	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaging with Universities (webinars, fairs, visits, etc.)
Future Pathways Session 3	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standardized testing types Test optional options How to know the best option for you? Creating a test plan as relevant to post-secondary plans
Future Pathways Session 4	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resume and CV Writing
Future Pathways Session 5	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General college counseling Q&A Supported time to work on college counseling tasks
Fall Art Portfolio Workshop	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual arts portfolio workshop by university guest presenter(s) for upper school students
November Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 6	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking at what to consider when researching post-secondary options
November Conferences	Parents & Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families will have the opportunity to schedule conference with college counseling contact
Future Pathways Session 7	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to start post-secondary research based on region Thinking about strengths and points to consider
Future Pathways	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Junior Questionnaire



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Session 8		
Winter Evening Presentation	Students and Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to work as student-counselor-parent team • Review timeline for upcoming months • Research tips for international post-secondary options
Future Pathways Session 9	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported time to complete junior questionnaire and other college counseling tasks
Future Pathways Session 10	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further post-secondary research: tips and strategies
February Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
PIRC & College Counseling Panel	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIRC & College Counseling co-hosted Parent Panel: Reducing Anxiety (for all grade levels)
February University Tour Field Trip	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a new addition to the program for the 2023-2024 school year • This will be available for grade 11 students, with costs covered by the families. Further details including featured universities will be shared in the fall.
Future Pathways Session 11	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters of recommendation: Are they needed? • TASIS recommendation request process • Suggestions to consider when selecting grade 12 classes
Future Pathways Session 12	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completing Brag Sheet (for requesting teacher letters of recommendation) • Continued post-secondary research and supported work time
Future Pathways Session 13	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicating & staying organized in application process • Supported work time with college counselor
April Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 14	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different types of application writing • Brainstorming techniques for application essays and personal statements • Interview preparation
Future Pathways Session 15	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported time to work on college counseling tasks
Future Pathways Session 16	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TASIS Final List: How to finalize your university list • Final summer plans and tips



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Grade 12 Schedule:

Session	Audience	Topic(s)
Fall Evening Session	Parents and Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of where students should be now and TASIS Application Agreements • Advice for parents in supporting their student • Reviewing options and application logistics by country
Future Pathways Session 1	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline for Grade 12 • Review TASIS Final List and Application Agreements
Future Pathways Session 2	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interview skills and strategies • Counselor Letter Form
Future Pathways Session 3	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Application Writing Types (Essays and Personal Statement) • What are universities looking for in the essay or personal statement? • Brainstorming strategies for writing
Future Pathways Session 4	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported time to work on college counseling tasks
October Application Workshop	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application support: UCAS, Common Application, Studielink, etc. • Small group work on writing relevant to student's post-secondary plans
Future Pathways Session 5	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported time to work on applications • Supported time to finalize college lists
Fall Art Portfolio Workshop	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual arts portfolio workshop by university guest presenter(s) for upper school students
November Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
UK Medicine Interview Workshop	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual workshop for students applying for medical courses that follow UK-style medical school interviews which includes dentistry, medicine, nursing, physical therapy, etc. • Information about mock interview opportunities
UK Competitive Interview Support	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual workshop for students with interviews at UK competitive programs such as Oxbridge, Imperial, etc. • Information about mock interview opportunities
Future Pathways Session 6-7	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported time to work on application details prior to the December 1 internal deadline for documents to be completed



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Future Pathways Session 8	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post-break questions with college counselor
February Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 9	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Steps in Application Process• Reminders for the second semester of senior year
Future Pathways Session 10	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• College counselors available to answer questions
PIRC & College Counseling Panel	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PIRC & College Counseling co-hosted Parent Panel: Reducing Anxiety (for all grade levels)
Future Pathways Session 11	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coping with waiting for decisions• How to decide amongst offers• Keeping track of logistics post-decision (housing, visa, etc.)
Future Pathways Session 12	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• College counselors available to answer questions
April Upper School Parent Coffee	Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post-Secondary related topic to be shared closer to event, with possible university co-facilitator
Future Pathways Session 13	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategies for leaving TASIS and starting on a new pathway
Future Pathways Session 14	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exit interviews with college counselor
Future Pathways Session 15	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Destination for Graduation Program
Future Pathways Session 16	Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exit interviews with college counselor