



G.W. Hewlett High School

PPS/Counseling Newsletter

February 2024

Dates to Remember:

February 2nd

Quarter 2 Report Cards
Posted to Portal

February 6th

College Night for Juniors
7:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m.
Special Presentations
6:30 p.m.—7:15 p.m.

Feb. 19th—Feb. 23rd
Schools Closed

February 26th

Portal Opens for
Final Verification of
2024-2025 courses

Attention Seniors:

[Name Verification for HS Diploma](#)

[Mid-Year Grades to Colleges Request Form](#)

[College Scholarships](#)

Important Links:

[Course of Study Guide 2024-2025](#)

[College Planning Guide Class of 2025](#)

Course Scheduling for 2024~2025

School Counselors are currently meeting 1:1 with students to verify teacher course recommendations, select electives, and make any necessary adjustments. Override forms are due to the PPS Office no later than February 15th. The scheduling season will end prior to the winter break. Final verification of all courses will take place when the portal reopens on **February 26th**.

At that time, parents and students will view the list of courses that will be scheduled for the following school year. Any concerns should be directed to your assigned school counselor immediately. Late course requests will only be accommodated until April 1st and are contingent upon seats available.



AP Exam Registration is OPEN!

At this time, all AP students should have received a packet in the mail detailing the upcoming AP test administration and the registration process.

[Click here](#) to view the online site to pay via credit card. Credit card, checks, and money orders are all acceptable forms of payment. Checks and money orders should be submitted to Mrs. Bavaro in the PPS Office.

View the exam schedule on the following page. Please contact Mrs. Harrison or Mrs. Bavaro if you have any questions regarding the AP Administration.



AP Exam Schedule May 2024

Week One	Morning 7:25 a.m.	Afternoon 12:00 noon
Monday, May 6	US Gov't and Politics	Chemistry Art History
Tuesday, May 7		Seminar Statistics
Wednesday, May 8	English Literature (Gr. 12)	Comparative Gov. and Politics Computer Science A
Thursday, May 9	Chinese Language Environmental Science	
Friday, May 10	United States History	Macroeconomics Studio Art* - <i>Submission Deadline</i>
Week Two	Morning 7:25 a.m.	Afternoon 12:00 noon
Monday, May 13	Calculus AB Calculus BC	
Tuesday, May 14	English Language (Gr. 11)	Physics C Mechanics Physics C Electricity
Wednesday, May 15	French Language World History	
Thursday, May 16	Spanish Language	Biology
Friday, May 17	Physics 1	



AP Prep Online Resources

[Khan Academy](#): Partnered with College Board to provide tutorial support for most of the AP exams.

[Shmoop](#): Offers academic review in all AP courses!

[Bozeman Science](#): Ideal for AP Science courses; no login required.



Junior College Night

February 6th

7:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

This program marks the college/career planning **'kick off'** for
for

Hewlett High School Juniors

Parents and students will meet with their School Counselor and an College Admissions Expert to gain a better understanding of this process as follows:

Counselor	Meeting Location
Ms. Conrad	Choral Room
Mrs. Leder	Library
Mrs. Murphy	Band Room
Mrs. Rotella	Yoga Room
Ms. Rubenstein	Cafeteria

Earlier Presentations:

College Planning for Students with Special Needs

@ **6:30 p.m.** in Room Choral Room

College Planning for Spanish Speaking Families

@ **6:30 p.m.** in Little Theatre

Post High School Military Options: All Branches

@ **7:00 p.m.** in the Main Lobby

Attention Seniors

As your college results roll in...

- ◆ Share all your results with your School Counselor and Recommending Teachers!
- ◆ Continue to update your Naviance account to reflect all admissions decisions.
- ◆ Students with Early Decision acceptances must withdraw open applications.
- ◆ Students with Deferrals should focus on mid-year grades, as they can be a determining factor in gaining admission. Meet with your counselor to devise a game plan on moving ahead. [Click here](#) for great tips !



◆ **Avoid Senioritis at all costs!!**

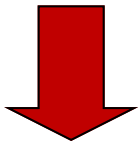
sen-i-or-i-tis: a supposed affliction of students / their final year of high school or college, characterized by a decline in motivation performance.

All admission acceptances are contingent on your final senior-year GPA. College acceptances are NOT final decisions until final transcript is reviewed! [Read 5 Tips for battling senioritis!](#)

Junior Jump~Start the College Research:

For those parents and students who are excited to get the college process started, the links below are great introductory resources. **Be sure to attend Hewlett HS College Planning Night on February 6th.**

CLICK on the links below for detailed information on college admissions



[How to Choose a College:](#) Learn what's really important in the college search.

[15 Ways to Find Your Calling:](#) A 'must read' Forbes article for students starting the college admissions process.

[Fair Test:](#) Colleges and Universities that are test optional; SAT or ACT are not needed for admission.

[Common Application:](#) Junior students should start applying to colleges via the Common App in late spring.

[Self Reported Transcripts:](#) View which colleges require this extra step of retyping your transcript.

[Method Test Prep:](#) Each student has access to an online SAT and ACT prep in their Castle Learning account.

[Hewlett's College Guide:](#) This valuable resource will be given out at the Junior College Night on February 6th.

JUMPSTART

Preparation for Junior College Meetings:

(to be scheduled March—May)

Prior to meeting with your school counselor to discuss college options, parents and students should engage in thoughtful and realistic conversations about college options. Please use College Night as a springboard for these discussions. In addition, students are asked to complete two electronic documents. Both documents below are found on Naviance.

- 1) Junior College Questionnaire: This document must be completed at least one week before your scheduled appointment with your school counselor. The more information you share with your counselor, the more accurate his/her advice will be in guiding you.
- 2) Student Brag Sheet: This document is also found on your Naviance account under the 'About Me' tab. The Brag Sheet allows your counselor to know exactly what you want express to your colleges. Much of the information will be included in your counselor recommendation. Be honest, proud, and sincere with the information you share. See sample page below and use the 'save and return later' option until you are completely finished.

Sample of Student Brag Sheet

The screenshot shows the Naviance 'about me' tab. At the top, there's a teal header with 'family connection' and tabs for 'home', 'colleges', 'careers', and 'about me'. Below the header, on the left, are links for 'interesting things about me' (resume, documents, journal, checklist, survey history) and 'official things' (profile, inbox, account, test scores). The main area is titled 'Student Brag Sheet' with instructions: 'Please provide as much detail as possible on all sections.' and '* = required question. Please save your answers periodically if you need longer than one hour to complete this form. Your session will expire after one hour if you have not changed the page.' There are three numbered questions with text input areas: 1. 'Talk about an event or happening in your life that had a significant impact on you. How did it affect your life, both personally and/or academically?'; 2. 'What do you consider your greatest academic strengths/achievements and weaknesses? Please explain your answers.'; 3. 'What do you consider your greatest personal strength/achievements and weaknesses? Please explain your answers.'

Sample of Questionnaire

1. **Student Cell Phone:**
Student Primary email:
2. **What are your plans after high school?**
☐ Four Year College - Residential
☐ Four Year College - Commuter
☐ Two Year College
☐ Military Services
☐ Employment
☐ Unsure at this time
3. **What does your ideal college look like?**
☐ Urban
☐ Suburban
☐ Rural
☐ Not Sure



NAVIANCE



A Heartwarming Note to Survive the College Admissions Madness

As a parent navigating the college acceptance season, you may find yourself feeling the same emotions as your college-bound child: ecstatic about their acceptance to the school of their dreams or disheartened over a rejection. One thing is for sure: each year there are record numbers of applicants yearning for acceptance at an elite school around the country, and most will be turned down. The realization is that graduating students rejected from their dream school will find themselves attending an engaging school that will fulfill their academic and personal college experiences.

We recently came across a wonderful article written by Frank Bruni, New York Times columnist and author of, “Where You Go Is Not Who You’ll Be: An Antidote to the College Admissions Mania.” The article dissects the madness and pressure of the college admissions game, while encouraging parents and students to accept the hand dealt as the college you attend is not the single factor in determining your professional achievements. Within the article, Bruni references a letter delivered to an accomplished student by his parents on the eve of the college acceptance letter season. The letter is as follows:

Dear Matt,

On the night before you receive your first college response, we wanted to let you know that we could not be any prouder of you than we are today. Whether or not you get accepted does not determine how proud we are of everything you have accomplished and the wonderful person you have become. That will not change based on what admissions officers decide about your future. We will celebrate with joy wherever you get accepted — and the happier you are with those responses, the happier we will be. But your worth as a person, a student, and our son is not diminished or influenced in the least by what these colleges have decided.

If it does not go your way, you’ll take a different route to get where you want. There is not a single college in this country that would not be lucky to have you, and you are capable of succeeding at any of them.

We love you as deep as the ocean, as high as the sky, all the way around the world and back again — and to wherever you are headed.

The wisdom, pride, and sincerity of this letter is a message worth spreading to our children and grandchildren as they face the college acceptance season. It’s important to remember that rejection will pass, but these kind and supportive words will live with our children well beyond their college years and into their professional and personal lives.

TEEN SOCIAL SKILLS GROUP



HOFSTRA
UNIVERSITY

WHAT?

THIS WEEKLY GROUP,
RUN BY HOFSTRA
PSYCHOLOGY
DOCTORAL STUDENTS,
MEETS ON ZOOM,
TUESDAYS @5:45PM

OUR GOAL IS TO
**LEARN/PRACTICE SKILLS
FOR SOCIALIZATION,
COMMUNICATION, AND
MANAGING EMOTIONS,**
ALL WHILE MAKING NEW
FRIENDS!

WHO?

THIS GROUP IS
FOR TEENAGE
GIRLS, **AGES 17 -
19**, LIVING WITH
**AUTISM
SPECTRUM
DISORDER**, AND
ARE LOOKING FOR
A SPACE TO
CONNECT WITH
OTHERS!

CONTACT US!

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
REACH OUT TO
RLADDS1@PRIDE.HOFSTRA.EDU &
DCHARLOP1@PRIDE.HOFSTRA.EDU





Organizations promoting many opportunities:

- ♦ [Summer Engagement Opportunities: By Major](#)
- ♦ [Pre-College Summer Program](#)
- ♦ [Volunteer Programs](#)

Abbey Road Programs

Where: Across the World

Who: Teenagers

Website: <https://www.goabbeyroad.com/>

Action Quest

Where: British Virgin Islands, Caribbean, Galapagos and Ecuador, Australia, and Thailand

Who: Students 14 and up

Website: <http://www.actionquest.com/>

AIFS Summer Advantage

Where: San Jose, London, Paris, Rome, and Granada

Who: Students ages 16-18

Website: www.summeradvantage.com

American Trails West

Where: Across America

Who: Teenagers

Website: <http://www.atwteentours.com/>

American Collegiate Adventures

Where: Wisconsin, Washington, DC., Seville, Florence, London, DC/Philly/Boston, Costa Rica, Panama, and Barcelona

Website: www.acasummer.com

Broadreach

Where: Across the Globe

Who: Middle School, High School, and College students

Website: <http://www.gobroadreach.com/>

CIEE

Where: China, France, Japan, and Spain/South Korea Foundation Scholarship program

Eligibility varies by program

Website: www.ciee.org

Experiment in International Living

Where: Across the World

Who: High School students

Website: <http://www.experiment.org/>

Global Works

What: Cultural Exchange and Service, Language Immersion and Community Service

Website: www.globalworkstravel.com

Global Leadership Adventures

Where: Ghana, Tanzania, Bali, Thailand, India, China, Fiji, Galapagos, Peru, Costa Rica

Website: www.experiencegla.com



Putney Student Travel

Where: TBA

Website: <https://goputney.com/>

REIN Tours

Where: Community Service Programs available in California, Hawaii, and Indiana

Website: <https://www.reinteentours.com>

Rustic Pathways

What: Community Service, Adventure, and Language Immersion programs all over the world

Website: www.rusticpathways.com

Sail Caribbean

Who: High School students

Website: <https://www.sailcaribbean.com/>

SCAD Summer Seminars

Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors

Locations in Atlanta, Hong Kong, and Savannah

Website: www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-summer

Summer Discovery (Musiker)

Where: Programs throughout the US, England, Spain, and Italy

Who: Students ages 15 and 16 year old

Website: www.summerdiscovery.com

Sustainable Summer

What: Students interested in 'going green' efforts and environmental concerns around the world.

Website: sustainablesummer.org

Teen Life

What: A comprehensive list of summer programs around the world.

Website: www.teenlife.com

Travel for Teens

Where: Across the world

Website: <http://www.travelforteens.com/>

Visions Service Adventures

What: Combines Community Service and Cultural Immersion into exciting adventure programs

Website: www.visionsserviceadventures.com

Westcoast Connections

Website: <http://westcoastconnection.com/>

Where There Be Dragons

Website: <http://wheretherebedragons.com/>

World Strides

What: Academic and adventure program around the world

Website: <https://worldstrides.com/>

Summer 2024 Academic-Based Programs



ALABAMA

- **University of Alabama Early College Program**
High school sophomores, juniors, and seniors
Website: www.uaearlycollege.ua.edu

CONNECTICUT

- **Summer Scholars Program at Fairfield University**
High school students entering their junior and senior years that have a GPA of a 3.2
Website: <https://www.fairfield.edu/intersessions-and-continuing-studies/summer-courses-programs/high-school-programs/index.html>
- **Yale University: Ivy Scholars Program**
Rising Seniors with exceptional grades
Website: <http://ivyscholars.yale.edu/>

DELAWARE

- **University of Delaware: Summer College Honors Program**
Sophomores and Juniors
Website: www.summercollege.honors.udel.edu

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (Washington, D.C.)

- **Georgetown University: College Prep, College Courses**
Website: <http://scs.georgetown.edu/departments/21/summer-programs-for-high-school-students>

FLORIDA

- **Summer for Success at Beacon College**
High School Juniors and Seniors
Website: www.beaconcollege.edu/admissions/beacon-college-high-school-program
- **Summer Scholars Program at University of Miami**
High School Students
Website: <http://miami.edu/dcie/index.php/ssp>

ILLINOIS

- **Northwestern University: College Prep**
High School Sophomore and Juniors
Website: <http://sps.northwestern.edu/program-areas/summer/high-school-programs/>
- **University of Chicago**
Accomplished high school students
Website: <https://summer.uchicago.edu/high-school-students>

INDIANA

- **Indiana University: Summer College Program**
Website: <http://precollege.indiana.edu/>

MARYLAND

- **Johns Hopkins University**
Must be at least 16 years old with a 3.0 GPA or higher
Website: www.jhu.edu/summer
- **University of Maryland: Young Scholars Program**
Rising Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors
Website: <https://oes.umd.edu/pre-college-programs>

MASSACHUSETTS

- **Boston College**
Must have completed junior year and compiled an outstanding academic record
Website: <https://www.bc.edu/bc-web/sites/bc-experience.html>
- **Boston University**
Website: <http://www.bu.edu/summer/high-school-programs/>
PROMYS: Program for Young Scientists
Website: www.promys.org



- **Brandeis University:** Jewish studies, academics, and the arts)
Students entering Grades 10 - 12
Visit website to learn about necessary documentation in order to apply.
Website: www.brandeis.edu/genesis
- **Harvard University:** College Prep, College credited courses
Website: <http://www.summer.harvard.edu/high-school>
- **Smith College Summer Program for High School Girls**
Open to girls entering grades 9 through 12
Website: www.smith.edu/academics/precollege-programs
- **Tufts University**
Summit Program
Takes place at the Tufts University European Center in Talloires, France
Website: <https://universitycollege.tufts.edu/high-school>
- **Worcester Polytechnic Institute: WPI Frontiers and Launch programs**
WPI Frontiers - juniors and seniors in high school
WPI Launch – Students entering their freshman or sophomore years in high school
Website: www.wpi.edu/academics/pre-collegiate/summer

MICHIGAN

- **University of Michigan**
Programs in Art, Architecture and Urban Planning, Music, Theatre, and Dance
Website: <https://stamps.umich.edu/pre-college/summer>

MISSOURI

- **Washington University of St. Louis:** Summer Scholars Program
Must be a current Sophomore or Junior. Program is competitive and selective.
Website: <https://precollege.wustl.edu/>

NEW YORK

- **Adelphi University**
Current high school students
Website: www.precollege.adelphi.edu
- **Alfred University**
Students entering their sophomore, junior, or senior years of high school
Website: <https://www.alfred.edu/about/community/summer-camps/>
- **Barnard College:** Summer in New York City/Young Women's Leadership Institute
Website: <https://barnard.edu/admission-aid/high-school-pre-college-programs/summer-programs>
- **Columbia University:** Study in New York
Website:
<https://www.teenlife.com/1/summer/columbia-univ-summer-programs-for-high-school-students/>
- **Cornell University**
Grades 10, 11 and 12 – depending on selected program
Website: www.sce.cornell.edu/sc/programs
- **Fordham University**
High school students entering their senior year with a 3.0 GPA or better.
Website: www.Fordham.edu/summer
- **Hobart and William Smith Colleges**
Environmental Studies Summer Youth Institute
Website: <http://essyi.hws.edu/>
- **Hofstra University**
Website: https://www.hofstra.edu/academics/summer/summer_hsclasses.html
- **Ithaca College**
Website: www.ithaca.edu/summercollege
- **Marist College**
Website: <http://www.marist.edu/summerinstitutes/>



- **Molloy College**
High school students entering their junior or senior year, and students entering college as freshmen
Website: <https://www.molloy.edu/admissions-aid/first-year-admissions/info-for-families/pre-college/summer-academies/>
- **New York University**
Rising Juniors and Seniors
Website: <http://www.nyu.edu/admissions/precollege.html>
- **Pratt Institute**
Website: <https://www.pratt.edu/academics/continuing-education-and-professional/precollege/summer-programs/>
- **Skidmore College**
Website: https://www.skidmore.edu/precollege/?utm_source=teenlifeindex.php
- **Stony Brook University**
High School Students interested in Journalism who will be juniors or seniors in September 2017
Website: <http://greenegazette.com/>
- **Syracuse University**
Website: <http://summercollege.syr.edu/>

NORTH CAROLINA

- **Duke University:** Talent Identification Program (TIP)
Open to high school students in grades 9-12
Website: <https://learnmore.duke.edu/precollege/all-programs>

PENNSYLVANIA

- **University of Pennsylvania**
Wharton School Pre College Program
Website: <http://www.wharton.upenn.edu/pre-college-programs>
Summer at Penn Program for High School Students
Website: <https://hs.sas.upenn.edu/summer-programs>

RHODE ISLAND

- **Brown University**
Website: <http://www.precollege.brown.edu>
- **Rhode Island School of Design**
Website: <https://www.risd.edu/academics/summer-programs>

ENGLAND

- **Oxford University**
Website: <http://www.oxfordscholastica.com>

MULTIPLE CAMPUS Programs:

- **Career Opportunities in Accounting Profession**
Website: www.nysscpa.org/futurecpas
Education Unlimited
Website: www.experienceamerica.com/summer-programs

Summer 2024 Art & Music Programs



⇒ [Summer Guide to Music Camps, Institutions and Programs](#)

⇒ [Summer Guide to Art Camps](#)

- **ACTEEN** - Film and Acting Program in Manhattan
Website: www.ritalitton.com
- **Berridge Programs in Normandy, France**
Website: <https://www.berridgeprograms.com/>
- **Boston Conservatory** – Dance/vocal
Website: <http://www.bostonconservatory.edu/high-school-and-collegiate-intensive-programs>
- **The Catholic University of America:** Drama/Acting/Musical Theatre/Opera (new)
Website: <https://drama.catholic.edu/academics/summer-programs>
- **Camp Encore**, Maine
Website: <http://www.encore-coda.com/>
- **Eastern Summer Music Camp at Colgate University**
Website: <http://www.easternusmusiccamp.com/> Contact person: Mr. Tom Brown
- **French Woods Festival of the Performing Arts**
Website: www.frenchwoods.com
- **Hofstra Summer Musical Theater Intensive**
Website: https://www.hofstra.edu/academics/ce/summer-camp/specialty_musical_theater.html
- **Indiana University** –Piano, Recorder, or String Academies
Website: <http://music.indiana.edu/precollege/summer/music-clinic/>
- **Ithaca College**
Website: <http://www.ithaca.edu/summer-college-high-school-students>
- **Marist College**
Theater: <https://www.marist.edu/liberal-arts/english-theatre>
Film /TV Production: <https://www.marist.edu/admission/pre-college/film-tv-production>
- **MPulse Summer Performing Arts Institute-** Anne Arbor Michigan-musical theater
Website: <https://smt.d.umich.edu/programs-degrees/youth-adult-programs/youth-programs/mpulse/>
- **National High School Institute**-Northwestern University's Evanston campus-theater/film
Website: <https://nhsi.northwestern.edu/theatre-arts-division/>
Website: <http://www.oce.nysed.gov/nyssa/>
- **New York Film Academy**
Website: <https://www.nyfa.edu/summer-camps/>
- **New York State Summer School of the Arts** - theater, dance, music, voice
Website: <http://www.oce.nysed.gov/nyssa>
- **Media Arts at SUNY Oswego**
Website: <http://www.oce.nysed.gov/nyssa/>
- **Parsons School of Design**—Summer Intensive Studies
Website: www.newschool.edu/parsons/summer-programs
- **Pratt Institute**
Website: <https://archinect.com/features/article/150308341/summer-architecture-programs-workshops-and-design-intensives-for-high-school-graduates-and-adults>
- **Rhode Island School of Design**—RISD
Website: www.risd.edu/precollege
- **Rutgers Summer Acting Conservatory**
Website: <https://em.rutgers.edu/ncp/search/ProgramDetails.aspx?id=391&src=browse>



- **Savannah College of Art and Design**—Rising Star
Website: <http://www.scad.edu/admission/pre-college/index.cfm>
- **SUNY @ Purchase**—Summer Visual Arts Institute
<https://www.purchase.edu/Departments/AcademicPrograms/CE/Youth/>
- **UCLA Acting and Performance Summer Institute**
Website: <https://www.summer.ucla.edu/institutes/ActingandPerformance>
- **University of the Arts**
<http://www.uarts.edu/academics/pre-college-programs/summer-institute-9-12>

