



G.W. Hewlett High School

PPS/ Counseling Newsletter



January 2024

Dates to Remember:

January 2nd

Future U Day

January 3rd

*Portal Opens to view
recommended courses and
select electives*

January 15th

*Martin Luther King, Jr.'s
Birthday
Schools Closed*

January 23—January 26

Mid-Year Testing

February 6th

*College Night for Juniors
7:30 p.m.*

*Grade 8 into 9 Orientation
for*

*Students with Special Needs
6:00 p.m.*

(Invitation to follow)

College Scholarships



*How to Set and Achieve
Your Goals in 2024*

SMART Goals

Future U Day: January 2nd

Course Scheduling Timeline

for 2024~2025

As our attention turns to course scheduling for the next school year, please review the timeline below for students in Grades 9-11.

- ♦ **January 2nd:** **Grade-level meetings** are scheduled with assigned School Counselor to learn about course offerings, graduation requirements, and scheduling process/procedures. All students will participate in the **Academic Course Fair** where teachers will share an overview of the curriculum and the academic expectations of the many courses offered at HHS.

Academic Course Fair	Counselor Meetings
Grade 9: Period 2	Grade 9: Period 9
Grade 10: Period 3	Grade 10: Period 4
Grade 11: Period 4	Grade 11: Period 3

- ♦ **January 3rd:** Portal opens to view teacher recommendations and select desired elective courses.
- ♦ **January 8th—17th:** Grade 11 students meet individually with their School Counselor for course verification, adjustments, and guidance.
- ♦ **January 18th—January 31st:** Grade 10 students meet individually with their School Counselor for course verification, adjustments, and guidance.
- ♦ **February 5th—February 13th:** Grade 9 students meet individually with their School Counselor for course verification, adjustments, and guidance.
- ♦ **February 26th:** Portal opens for final verification of courses.

Parents are encouraged to play an active role in discussing appropriate course selection with their children based on many factors such as; workload, rigor and expectations, self-motivation, time management/constraints, stress and anxiety, outside school commitments and how to strive to find a healthy balance for social, emotional, and academic success.

[Click here](#) to view the Course of Study Guide



2024 AP Exam Registration

Students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses will receive registration information via 'snail' mail. Be on the look-out for the mailing that contains the payment methods and the calendar of exams. At this point, all students have 'enrolled' in the course via their College Board account. We now move to the payment registration window which will be open January 2nd—March 1st.

[Click here](#) for online payment

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't Computer Science A
Thursday, May 9	Chinese Language Environmental Science	
Friday, May 10	US 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	

Save
the
Date

Junior College Night

February 6th @ 7:30 p.m.

This program marks the 'kick off' for college/career planning for our juniors.

Topics to be discussed:

- ⇒ Where/How to Begin?
- ⇒ How are College Applicants Evaluated?
- ⇒ Importance of High School Transcript
- ⇒ Testing Requirements
- ⇒ College Essay(s)
- ⇒ Letters of Recommendation
- ⇒ Campus visits, interviews, demonstrated interest
- ⇒ Preparation for individual college conference with school counselor

Presentations prior:

- ⇒ 7:00 p.m. Military Options in Main Lobby
- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Presentation for Students with Special Needs in Chorus Room
- ⇒ 6:30 p.m. Presentation for Spanish Speaking Families

Military Services Representatives @ 7:00 p.m.

Students interested in learning more about the United States Military branches should make an appointment to see Mrs. Colleen Murphy, our military counselor liaison. The U.S. Military consists of five active-duty service branches and their respective Guard and Reserve units. Together, they offer a broad variety of ways to serve both after high school and college.

Many branches also offer assistance with college tuition through ROTC programs. [Click here](#) to learn more!



College Presentation for Students with Special Needs @ 6:30 p.m.

College Admissions Representatives will...

- ♦ Share the many support systems available at colleges and universities
- ♦ Discuss the differences between comprehensive programs vs. academic services
- ♦ Emphasize the importance of self-advocacy skills as they pertain to the college setting
- ♦ Questions will be answered regarding concerns surrounding college planning, living independently,

College Presentation for Spanish Speaking Families @ 6:30 p.m.

- ♦ Participe con su familia en este evento donde tendrá toda la información sobre cómo entrar a la universidad.
- ♦ La presentación será dada en su totalidad en Español por unos representantes de las universidades de Nassau Community y SUNY Old Westbury
- ♦ Se compartirá información sobre el proceso y los recursos disponibles para estudiantes latinos (becas, formularios, préstamos).