

JUNIOR YEAR PLANNING MEETING FALL 2024

October 26th - Digital PSAT at North High - Complete Google form and pay fee on Parent Portal. You must download the Bluebook app on your iPad and sign in with your College Board account. *Deadline to register - October 8th*

January 9th at 7pm - Introduction to the College Process Night - Counselors will meet with parents and students to provide an overview of the college planning and application process. During that week, juniors meet with counselors in groups to discuss college planning tasks.

- Upon submitting your completed **College Planning Questionnaire**, counselors will meet individually with juniors and will help develop a list of prospective schools relevant to your needs, etc. After this meeting, parents are welcome to schedule an appointment to address any questions or concerns related to the college process.

February & Spring Breaks are typically an ideal time to visit colleges in person.

April 10th at 7pm - College Panel Night for juniors and their parents. Admissions Counselors from several colleges/universities will answer questions about the college application process. This is followed by individual information sessions about those schools.

June 10th at 7pm- Rising Senior College Night for juniors and their parents. Summer and Fall “homework” in relation to the application process will be assigned.

Top 5 components of a college application:

1. Transcript
2. Essay
3. Extracurricular activities
4. Recommendations
5. Standardized Testing - Some colleges are test optional and do not require standardized test scores. Check www.fairtest.org and individual college websites for testing policy.

Standardized Testing Information

PSAT: will be offered at North High on October 26, 2024. Registration information is on NH website and in Google Classroom. *Your PSAT score will be available in November on the College Board website.*

SATs and/or ACTs: It is recommended that you take the SAT and/or ACT at least once by the end of junior year. We encourage you to explore both exams so that YOU can decide which exam is best suited for you. Start mapping out your own testing schedule and then register online for the exams you want to take. See information below on when the exams are offered and registration deadlines.

TOEFL/Duolingo: If English is not your first language, and you have been in the United States for less than five years you must also take the TOEFL or Duolingo exam. Please check the college’s website for further information. To register visit: www.toefl.org or <https://englishtest.duolingo.com/register>

*As soon as you know the date you plan to test, we strongly suggest that you register, as there is limited seating available for each test date. **YOU are responsible for registering online.***

PSAT Information

- 10/26 - PSAT
- Registration Deadline - 10/8
- Supplies Needed:
 - School iPad - fully charged
 - Pens, pencils, calculator (one will also be provided through the PSAT app)
- Structure of the test:
 - A little over 2 hours (not including breaks)
 - Reading and Writing - 2 Modules: 54 questions total, given from easiest to most difficult.
 - Math - 2 Modules: 44 Questions - Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, problem solving, etc.
- Scoring - 350-1520 (760 each), receive around November.
- Practice: Bluebook app - available for download on iPad



Testing Dates



SAT www.collegeboard.org	ACT www.act.org
October 5, 2024	October 26, 2024
November 2, 2024	December 14, 2024
December 7, 2024	February 8, 2025
March 8, 2025	April 5, 2025 (New Format available)
May 3, 2025	June 14, 2025 (New Format available)
June 7, 2025	September TBA (New Format Only)

ACT New Format Information (subject to change by ACT)

- Called Core ACT
- 2 Hours long and contains fewer questions
- Science section is now separate and optional (section out of 36)

Please check the SAT/ACT websites for deadlines and updates