

SPWHS

Senior Planning

Presentation

2024-2025

[Student Services Website](#)



Meet Your Counselor

Ms. Saldana A-G



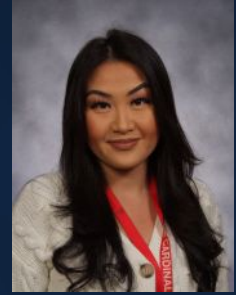
Mr. Medema H-M



Ms. Wagner N-T



Ms. Thao U-Z



Meet Your College, Career & Life Readiness Coordinator

Ms.
Griffin



So you're a senior...now what?

Hurray! You are graduating in approximately 32 weeks.

- First, figure out what you want to do with your life...kind of.
- Then, start to make a plan.
- Finally, get ready to JUMP into action!!!



Figure out what you want to do

Here are some great ways to do research:

Xello

- Log on to MySP
Click on the Xello icon to explore careers, majors and education opportunities



[College Representative Visits](#) (in student services)

[Campus Visits](#) (in person or virtual)

[Education/Career Fairs](#) (in person or virtual)

[MyMajors](#)- Complete a free 15-minute MyMajors self-assessment, Receive a personalized list of suggested majors at UW universities that are a fit for them based on their interests, strengths, and personality; Explore information on majors and possible career paths

[Wisconsin Technical Colleges - Career Quiz](#)

Military Recruiter (during lunch on Tuesdays or independently)



Make A Plan

Here are some options:

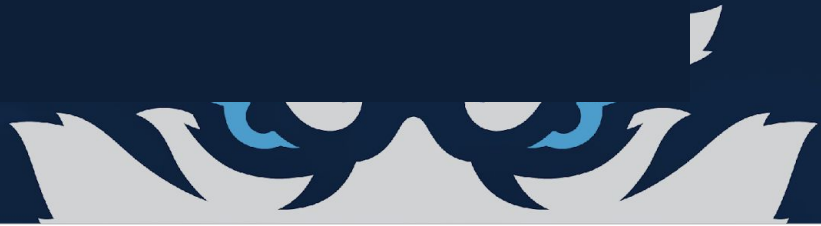
- 4 year college
- 2 year college / transfer program
- Technical college
- Speciality school
- 4 year school
- Gap Year
- Workforce
- Military



JUMP Into Action: 4 Year College

TO DO LIST:

1. Apply online (applications are open now)
 - Look at your school's website for instructions and deadlines
2. Send your transcripts (use your personal email)
 - www.parchment.com (please note that your option is listed as Sun Prairie High School)
3. To send your ACT and/or SAT scores as needed
 - www.act.org or www.collegeboard.org
4. Obtain and send letters of recommendation if required by the college
 - Tip: Fill out a [Brag Sheet](#) for your letter writers
5. Check admissions websites for essay requirements as requirements vary.



Find More Info About 4 Year Options

- UW Schools: www.uwhelp.wisconsin.edu
 - University of Wisconsin schools: <https://www.wisconsin.edu>
- Wisconsin Private Schools: www.waicu.org
- Historically Black Colleges & Universities:
<http://www.thehundred-seven.org/hbculist.html>
- Hispanic Serving Institutions: <https://www.hacu.net/hacu/HSIs.asp>
- Asian Pacific Islander and Asian American Institutions:
<https://apiascholars.org/>
- Tribal Colleges and Universities :
<https://collegefund.org/tribal-colleges-and-universities/>



Virtual Tours

- [SPW Student Services Website](#)
- [Memphis Public Library Tour Resources](#)
 - [Virtual Ivy League Campus Tours](#)
 - [Virtual HBCU Campus Tours](#)
 - [Virtual HBCU Campus Tours Part 2](#)
 - [Virtual HBCU Campus Tours Part 3](#)
 - [Virtual Southeastern Conference Campus Tours](#)
 - [Virtual Atlantic Coast Conference Campus Tours](#)
 - [Virtual Pacific Coast Conference Campus Tours](#)
 - [Virtual Big 10 Conference Campus Tours](#)
 - [Virtual US Armed Forces Campus Tours](#)



Frequently Used App Platforms

- **UW System Application** apply.wisconsin.edu
- **Common Application** www.commonapp.org
 - Contains more than 900 member colleges and universities.
- **Common Black College App**
<https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/>
 - HBCU Specific



JUMP Into Action: 2 Year College/Transfer Programs

Madison College Liberal Arts Transfer program

madisoncollege.edu

UW 2-Year Schools

- Apply Online (Aug 1- ???)
 - <https://apply.wisconsin.edu/>
- Send your transcripts
 - <http://www.parchment.com/>
- Send your ACT scores
 - <http://www.actstudent.org/>

*For more info on UW Transfer options go to

wisconsin.edu/transfer

BONUS

Madison College has many FREE application sessions:

****Remember to sign up in Flexisched!**

VISIT DATES

- OCT. 9
- OCT. 23
- NOV. 6
- NOV. 20
- DEC. 4
- DEC. 18

Step FOUR: JUMP Into Action Technical Schools

Madison College (MATC):

<http://madisoncollege.edu/>

OTHER Wisconsin TECH SCHOOLS-

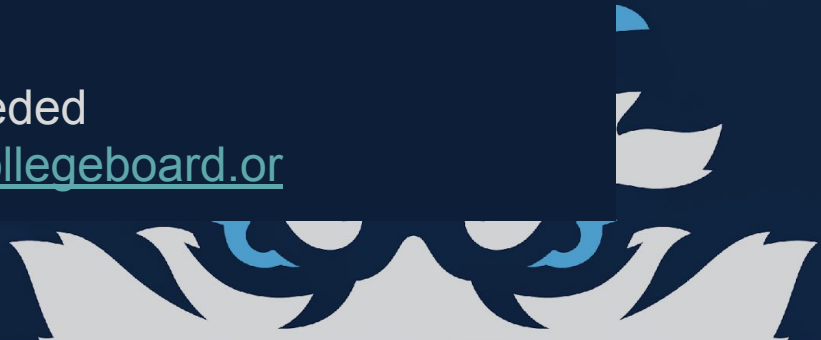
1. <http://www.wtcsystem.edu/>

1. Send your transcripts

a. <http://www.parchment.com/>

2. Send your ACT and/or SAT scores as needed

a. <http://www.actstudent.org/> or www.collegeboard.org



JUMP Into Action Other Options

Specialty Schools

Check out the websites or speak with the institutions about application process

Military

See a recruiter - www.military.com

[Virtual Tours of Armed Forces Campuses](#)

Registered Apprenticeships

<http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/apprenticeship/>

Workforce

Gap Year

*As always, see your counselor or Ms. Griffin for individual conversations about your plans.



Scholarships / Financial Aid

Remember, the more time and energy you put into completing scholarship applications, the more scholarships you will receive.

Where to look for scholarships (free money for school!):

1. Visit the [Sun Prairie West High School Scholarship Website](#) weekly
2. Search for scholarship applications from the college(s) you are applying to. Make sure to check your individual schools of interest for priority deadlines for best scholarship considerations.
3. Complete the Local Scholarship application, which will become available on the Scholarship Website on December 18th and will be due no later than 4:00 PM on February 28, 2025. Various organizations in the community sponsor scholarships just for Sun Prairie High School students.

Other tips to help pay for college...

1. Never pay for free money! Scholarships should be FREE to apply!
2. Complete your [FAFSA \(Free Application for Federal Student Aid\)](#)
 - i. Opens December 1, 2024
 - ii. To Prepare to fill out the 25-26 FAFSA, you can:
 1. Create a [StudentAid.gov](#) account
 2. Gather necessary documents
 - a. 2023 tax returns
 - b. Child support records
 - c. Net worth of investments, business and farms
 - d. Current cash, savings and checking account balances
 - e. Contributor information, such as name, Social Security number, date of birth, email address, and mailing address
 3. Create a [FSA ID account](#) for each person who will contribute to the form
 4. Plan to complete the FAFSA as soon as it becomes available
3. Attend COLLEGE GOAL WI - January 7, 2025 from 6-8pm @ East High School in the LMC for live help with FAFSA registration

***Registration info coming soon!**

[Click here for information on what to bring](#)

Additional Resources

- [UW HELP](#): Explore and compare campuses, navigate the application process, and learn about options to pay for college.
- [UW Journey](#) - Helps you find the right school and major within the UW System
- [UW MyMajor](#)- exploration tool for deciding on a major
- [ECCP/SCN](#) -Deadline is October 1 for spring semester
- [Methodize on Xello](#) - FREE ACT Test Prep
- [I've Applied. Now What?](#) - From the UW System



NEW this year to the UW System....

There are now
3 ways to get in!

Pathways to Admission

	TRADITIONAL ADMISSION	DIRECT ADMIT WISCONSIN	THE WISCONSIN GUARANTEE
Which Universities of Wisconsin are participating?	All UW Universities	All UW Universities except UW-Eau Claire, UW-La Crosse & UW-Madison	All UW Universities
How is eligibility determined?	Holistic Review of Multiple Student Factors	High School Courses & GPA	Class Rank Determined by GPA on 11th Grade Transcript Top 5% Admitted to ALL UWs Top 10% Admitted to All UWs Except UW-Madison
When are admission decisions made?	Beginning August 1/August of Senior Year, Application Date and UW Decision Date	July Before Senior Year	Beginning August 1/August of Senior Year, Application Date and UW Decision Date
Do high schools have to agree to opt in?	No	Yes	No
Do students have to agree to participate?	No	Yes	No
Are applications required?	Yes	No	Yes
Are application fees required?	Yes, if charged by the UW university	No	Yes, if charged by the UW university
Available to out-of-state applicants?	Yes	No	No
Admission guaranteed to a UW university?	No	Yes*	Yes
Admission guaranteed to specific academic programs/majors?	No	No	No

Pathways to Admission



FOR WISCONSIN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



The Wisconsin Guarantee



Direct Admit Wisconsin



Traditional Application

UNIVERSITIES OF WISCONSIN

www.wisconsin.edu/students/wipathways



Wisconsin Guarantee (Act 95)

- Starting August 1, 2024, with the high school class of 2025, the Wisconsin Guarantee will offer guaranteed admission to all Universities of Wisconsin universities for Wisconsin high school students in the top 5% to 10% of their graduating class.
 - If you are in the top 5%, you will be guaranteed admission to all UWs including UW-Madison provided they apply on or before the Early Action deadline of November 1.
 - If you are in the top 10%, you will be guaranteed to all UW universities except UW-Madison.
- For more information about the Wisconsin Guarantee, please visit the following website:
www.wisconsin.edu/wisconsin-guarantee



DCODE: 5656	
Sun Prairie West High School Official Transcript	
Tel: (608)478-1700	
2850 Ironwood Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590	
Class Rank Top 5 %	
You are in the top 5% of your class.	
Student Information	



Direct Admit Wisconsin

- Direct Admit Wisconsin is an initiative by the Universities of Wisconsin to proactively offer admission to qualifying high school students between their junior and senior years of high school.
- Direct admission removes the traditional application process and instead uses data provided by the high school to admit students to universities.
- For more information about Direct Admit Wisconsin, please visit the following website: www.wisconsin.edu/direct-admissions
 - [Student and Family information including FAQs](#)
 - [Next Steps](#)

NOTE: If you qualify for Direct Admit, letters should be available today in IC under documents!



Helpful REMINDERS...

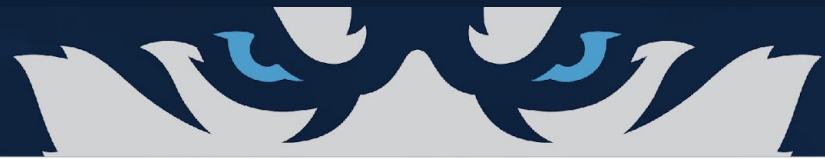
1. Review your Grad Plan/transcripts regularly
2. Attend the WEF College Fair (Competition Gym)

Register [HERE](#)

[Expectations](#)

WEF Date: 10/3, 9:00am-9:45am.

3. Attend College Goal for FAFSA Help: TBD
4. Make sure you have taken and passed the STATE CIVICS EXAM in your Government or FAD class
5. If you receive Direct Admit offer, don't forget to complete the necessary forms to indicate your interest in attending
6. If you qualify for the Wisconsin Guarantee, remember you **MUST** apply Early Action.
7. Contact your counselor with any questions or if you have any special circumstances!



Grade 12 TO DO List

FALL

- Attend Senior Meeting with your School Counselor in September / October
- Attend the Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) at SP West- October 3, 2024
- Letters of Recommendations (obtain in fall / winter)
- Complete college applications (fall / winter)
- Attend College Goal Wisconsin for FAFSA help (January 2025)
- Create an account on www.parchment.com in preparations for sending your transcripts
- Keep track of application dates and deadlines, scholarships and housing
- Gather application materials. Include transcripts, test scores and letters of recommendation
- Apply for financial aid using the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) when it opens December 1

WINTER

- Decide which pathway you will choose after graduation
- Pay enrollment deposit (if required)
- Complete your housing application (if needed)
- Watch your email for campus updates or tasks to complete

SPRING

- Register for college placement tests
- Make the last semester of high school count
- Take placement tests
- Review financial aid offer from your future school
- Send final grades from your senior year to the college you are attending

SUMMER

- Sign up and attend student orientation at your future college
- Prepare for your first year of this new pathway!



Follow Up Individual Senior Meeting

We would like to check in with each of you to make sure your post high school planning is going smoothly. Please schedule a quick meeting with your assigned counselor between today and December 19, 2024. Use the scheduling links:

Ms. Saldana (Last names A-G): cmsalda.youcanbook.me

Mr. Medema (Last names H-M): <https://keithmedema.youcanbook.me/>

Ms. Wagner (Last names N-T): <https://wagner-counseling.youcanbook.me/>

Ms. Thao (Last names U-Z): <https://pthao-west.youcanbook.me/>



Caps, Gowns, and Other Supplies

Sun Prairie West orders our caps and gowns from Midwest Scholastic. Every year, their representatives will come to speak to Seniors during SP30 to discuss their products.

- Senior Class Meeting: Mon, Oct 21st during SP30
 - Discuss how to order caps and gowns
 - Other supplies
- Midwest Collects In-Person Orders:
Tues, Oct 29th during both lunches
- Products are delivered in
Spring Semester



Senior Photo Upload

Seniors photos are due to the Yearbook Club by **Friday, November 1st 2024.**

- Photos need to be uploaded directly to the link emailed out to you and your caregivers this week. Check your email!
- May be in black/white and color
- Vertical photos work best as horizontal will be cropped
- Use JPEG or JPG. Do NOT use a TIFF or PNG file
- Name the file with your name (last name_first name)
 - *i.e. Somers-Taylor*
- Photo quality - minimal 300 dpi



Senior Recognition Grad Ads

Senior Grad Ads are due to the Yearbook Club by **Friday, November 15th 2024.**

- 1/8 of a page per person
- Caregivers will need to create an account on Jostens
- From there, they can design your ad



SENIOR SURVEY

THIS WILL BE YOUR
ATTENDANCE FOR
TODAY!

