



Navigating Junior Year

WHAT TO EXPECT AND
HOW WE WILL SUPPORT YOU



COUNSELOR INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Cuevas-Cintron	cuevasm@eths202.org
Mr. Lucas	lucass@eths202.org
Ms. Spillane	spillanes@eths202.org
Ms. Holloway-Nelson	hollowaya@eths202.org
Ms. Debnar	debnarn@eths202.org
Ms. Freedman	freedmane@eths202.org
Ms. Nozime /(sub -Ms. Osei)	nozimek@eths202.org / (oseis@eths.org)
Mr. Ibarra (sub- Mr. Wickham)	ibarrafloresj@eths202.org / (wickhaml@eths.org)



TONIGHT'S AGENDA

1

Counselor
Introductions

2

ICAP Review

3

Graduation
Requirements

4

Navigating Junior Year
Guide

5

Schoollinks Parent
Info

6

Q + A



ICAP REVIEW

WHAT IT IS

Individualized Career & Academic Planning

WHAT'S THE PURPOSE?

Develops students' ability to connect their interests

Develops skills and values to a range of career options

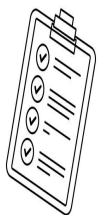
Helps identify school courses and employability skills needed

Helps identify corresponding post-high school pathways



ICAP REVIEW

HOW YOUR JUNIORS WILL UTILIZE IT



Identifying & Tracking experiences

- Continue Community Service & Extracurricular Activities
- Explore Summer Opportunities
- Attend Options Fairs & College Visits
- Attend Financial Aid Workshop with Parent/Guardian
- Attend Post-High School Options Sessions with Parent/Guardian

:



Career Exploration

- Continue to Explore Careers
- Update Career Goal
- Update Resume



College Search & Readiness

- Explore & Favorite Colleges
- Take Standardized Tests (ACT/ASVAB)
- Evaluate College Costs
- Review Scholarship Lists
- Review Programs of Study Guide
- Plan Coursework
- Share Post-High School Goals with Counselor



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Credits

- 48 Credits for Graduation
- 36 credits for Senior Status
- 6 Credits Each Semester (minimum)
(7 recommended)

+

Courses

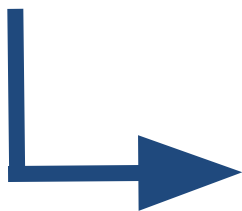
ENGLISH	→	4 YEARS / 8 CREDITS
MATH	→	3 YEARS / 6 CREDITS
SCIENCE	→	2 YEARS / 4 CREDITS
HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCE	→	3 YEARS / 6 CREDITS
PHYSICAL ED + WELLNESS	→	3.5 YEARS / 7 CREDITS OF P.E. + 1 SEM/ 1 CREDIT OF WELLNESS)
CTE/FINE ARTS	→	3 CREDITS- AT LEAST 1 CREDIT OF EACH
CONSUMER ED	→	1 CREDIT / 1 SEMESTER





SENIOR YEAR REQUIREMENTS

- **English:** 4 English (subtopic of choice) or AP Literature and Composition
- **Physical Education (PE)**
- **At least 6 Courses / 12 Credits Scheduled**



- Additional Science
- Additional Math
- World Language
- Fine Arts
- Consumer Education
- Career & Technical Education (CTE)



KEEP IN MIND POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS



4 YEAR UNIVERSITY

WHAT IT LOOKS FOR ON A H.S. TRANSCRIPT:

- 4 Years English
- 3-4 Years Math
- 3-4 Years science
- 3-4 Years History & Social Science
- 2 Years Consecutive Foreign Language

WHAT IT GETS YOU

BACHELOR DEGREE

2 YEAR COLLEGE

WHAT IT LOOKS FOR ON A H.S. TRANSCRIPT:

- Completion of your High School's requirements
- High School Diploma

WHAT IT GETS YOU

**ASSOCIATES DEGREE W/
OPTION TO TRANSFER TO 4
YEAR UNIVERSITY**

TRADE SCHOOL

WHAT IT LOOKS FOR ON A H.S. TRANSCRIPT:

- Completion of your High School's requirements
- Electives focused in career pathway is helpful
- High School Diploma

WHAT IT GETS YOU

**CERTIFICATE OF EFFICIENCY
WITHIN A FOCUSED SKILL SET
READY FOR EMPLOYMENT WITHIN
HIGH DEMAND FIELDS**

MILITARY

WHAT IT LOOKS FOR ON A H.S. TRANSCRIPT:

- Completion of your High School's requirements
- High School Diploma

WHAT IT GETS YOU

**VALUABLE SKILLS & CAREER
OPPORTUNITIES**

**FINANCIAL BENEFITS
INCLUDING TUITION
ASSISTANCE FOR CONTINUED
EDUCATION**

*Upper range is recommended when applying to selective universities

*Apprenticeship/Trade Programs typically include paid experiences while completion of certificate



University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Admissions Requirements:

- English – 4 years
- Math – 3–3.5 years required, 4 recommended
- Social Sciences – 2 required, 4 recommended
- Lab Sciences – 2 required, 4 recommended
- Language Other Than English – 2 required, 4 recommended
- Flexible Academic Units – 2 required, 4+ recommended



ILLINOIS®



TM



JUNIOR YEAR GUIDE

Your Guide To All Things Junior Year:



Navigating Junior Year 25-26

Use this interactive Flow Guide to work through the steps to prepare for Senior year. Make sure you bookmark this document and check back often for updates!

Access this document at
bit.ly/navigatingjunioryear

Step 1: Check Graduation Requirements

Find your Graduation vs. College Admissions Requirements

Step 2: Post High School Plans

Types of post high school options are available (College, Military, Trades/Workforce, Gap Year, etc.)

Step 3: SchoolLinks

Using SchoolLinks for post high school planning

Step 4: Standardized Testing

Explore the different exams available & information about test optional policies

Step 5: College Application Process

Important information about the college application process, including timeline, deadlines, & more

Step 6: Financial Aid & Scholarships

Financial aid for students & resources to help families better prepare

Step 7: Unique Considerations

Information for families of special needs students, student athletes, highly selective applicants, & undocumented students.

Step 8: Next Steps

Steps students can take starting in the spring of Junior year to be prepared for Senior year.

BONUS: Resources

Links to resources, supporting documents, & helpful websites



SCHOOLINKS REMINDERS



WHAT IS IT?

ETHS's college, career, learning skills, goal setting, life planning, explore your dreams platform! ICAP lives here!

WHAT IS IT USED FOR?

Personality
Assessment - Actual
Celebrity Matches

Career Options,
Exploration,
Portfolio and
Resume Building

College Search +
Virtual College
Tours

Scholarship
Information +
Financial Aid
Information



SCHOOLINKS REMINDERS



Parent Portal & Login

- You must follow the login process with the email address you use for ETHS communication and systems
 - If you have a gmail address, Use “Sign in with Google”
 - If you do not have a gmail address, enter the email you use for ETHS and go through the “forgot password” process

How You Can Help:

- Talk with your student about their post high school plans. Think about tuition, location, size and majors of study.
- Help them identify courses for senior year based on interests, rigor, college and career choices.
- Help your student explore internship, job, and service opportunities and update their resume in SchoolLinks.
- [Make an appointment](#) with College and Career Services.
- Take your student on Official College Campus Visits.

What Now?

→ **Post-High School Planning Conference**

You're invited to virtually join your student and their counselor for 1:1 post-high school meetings beginning early February. More information will be shared at a later date.

→ **Attend Virtual College Visits online**

www.youvisit.com

Schoolinks College Search

→ **Remind Your Student of Events**

- ETHS Military Visit Day on November 17th
- HBCU Experience Day on February 5th
- Attend College/Career Representative Visits at ETHS On Mondays. Register in Schoolinks: [How To, HERE](#)



YOUR TEAM AND RESOURCES

- Your Counselor!
- College and Career Services
- School Counseling Interns
- Ms. Joyce Anderson for CBSA
- ISAC Financial Aid Advisor
- Youth Job Center
- Oakton College
- Click [here](#) for more information & to schedule an appt!.



SCAN ME



Youth Job Center
Getting a job. Launching a future.





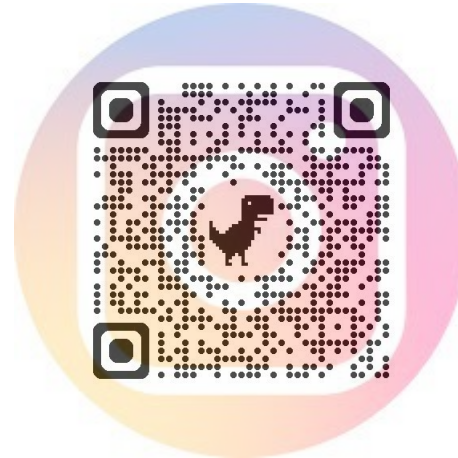
STAY INFORMED

Follow us on our social media platforms!

ETHS FACEBOOK



ETHS INSTAGRAM



ETHS X TWITTER





Q & A SESSION

Please enter your questions into the
Q&A





**Thank
You!**