COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER

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Redmond High School's College & Career Center is dedicated to preparing and supporting students for their next steps- whether that be college, technical programs, or entering the workforce. Find useful college and career planning information and resources on the CCC Website: College & Career - Redmond High School

Need more help or guidance, email Ms. Wu at rwu@lwsd.org or schedule a meeting with her HERE!

Upcoming Events in the CCC

Check the CCC website for more information and for up-to-date lists under the CCC Events Calendar. There are numerous rep visits throughout fall and changes occur frequently so be sure to check for updates!

November 24, 11:36 AM – 12:06 PM (*Tentative) Military Rep Visit

- U.S. Marines
- U.S. Navy

If you have 2nd lunch but would like to meet a rep, please email Ms. Wu at rwu@lwsd.org for a pass to attend this rep visit. *Please check the RHS CCC Events Calendar for updates.

November 25, 9:30 – 10:10 AM U.S. Military and Naval Academy Panel

Join this session to meet Cadet Colleen Cannistra and Dane Padgett from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and Midshipman Alyssa Pangallo from the U.S. Naval Academy and hear about their personal journey to USMA/USNA and their experience as a cadet/midshipman, an overview of the application process and Q&A. Reserve your spot Here! Details of this event are listed under the CCC Events Calendar on the CCC website.

December 5, 9:30 – 10:10 AM CIEE Summer Abroad Information Session

Have you considered studying abroad next summer? With CIEE (Council on International Educational Exchange), you can choose from ***100+ programs*** in 40 destinations around the world. CIEE offers significant ***scholarships to support program costs. Browse CIEE's Summer Programs!***

Check the CCC Events Calendar on the **CCC website** for details and future events.

Scholarships for Juniors

Coolidge Scholarship

Deadline: 12/16/25 **Award Amount:** 100% of Tuition **Renewable:** No
Eligibility Requirements: • High School Juniors • Interest in public policy **Award Details:** The Coolidge Scholarship is available to high school juniors. You must have a

distinguished academic record, demonstrate an interest in public policy, and demonstrate a sense of humility and service to be considered for this award.

Scholarship Opportunity for ALL students



Doodle for Google is an annual celebration of student art & creativity

Each year, K-12 students dream up their interpretations of a creative theme, competing to display their artwork on the Google homepage. 5 Finalists will receive $10,000 college scholarship, their artwork on Google.com, and Google tech and merch. The National Winner (in addition to the Finalist prizes) will receive $45,000 college scholarship and $50,000 in school tech package.

The 2025-26 Doodle for Google theme:

My superpower is...

For more information and to enter this contest, click HERE!

Memorial Youth Flight Training Scholarship Program

Cascasde Warbirds is offering several scholarships for Private Pilot Ground School with Introductory Flights valued approximately $1,350 each. There is an additional $2,500 Continuing Aviation Education Grant available annually to one scholarship recipient. See details under the Scholarship Calendar 2/28 post on the CCC website or click HERE.

Requirements

Applicants must be between the ages of 16 and 21 at the time of award.

Recipients must sign the contract below, which contains the scholarship program details and commitments. Please review before applying.

► **Commitment Letter**

Apply

Fill in the application below and return it as described inside.

► **Application Form**

Submissions must be emailed or postmarked by **March 1, 2026**.

Types of Colleges

College is more than just big ***universities***. It includes ***community colleges***, ***trade*** schools, and even military academies. There's a perfect fit for everyone out there, so explore your options to find out what's right for you!

Where Should I Go For College?



Private *Vocational* /Trade / Specialty Schools
Want quick training for careers like chef, massage therapist, heavy equipment operator, auto body technician, paralegal, and more? You can graduate in less than a year with a professional certification for a high-demand job in the skilled trades!



Community and Technical Colleges (CTC)
Washington state has 34 public CTCs. Get a professional ***certificate*** or ***associate degrees*** for specific trades, such as nursing, automotive repair, cyber security, etc. CTCs offer associate degrees that help students ***transfer*** to 4-year colleges or universities for further education. Check **www.sbctc.edu**.



Public and Private 4-year **College/ University**
These are schools where you can earn a ***bachelor's degree*** in about 4 years. Some are high-end private schools with higher ***tuition***, but they do have ***scholarships***. Graduation can help you become a robotics engineer, business analyst, nutritionist, etc.



Military Academies
There are 5 highly selective Military Service Academies that provide a top-tier college education and real-world training to become an officer in the military. Search "Military Service Academies US Department of Defense" to get a list of websites for further exploration of this option.

All About Apprenticeships

Would you like to earn money and learn at the same time? Then check out apprenticeships! They're a combination of hands-on training and academic classes. Apprenticeships prepare you for what are often high-demand, high-skilled careers



A Look Inside UPenn's Process: Building the Class of 2030

Here's a quick peek into what's happening behind the scenes at UPenn. Through their admissions process, they aren't just looking to admit individual students—they're intentionally *building a community*. Each year, they look for students who will not only thrive academically but also contribute meaningfully to life on their campus, the city of Philadelphia, and the world beyond.

When they admit a class, they're welcoming a diverse and interconnected cohort of around 2,400 students who will bring their voices, experiences, and perspectives to UPenn's Quaker community. In their committee-based process, they're looking to understand who each

student is—how these students engage with others, how they think about citizenship, and how they contribute to their current communities. Penn Admissions discuss things like what excites students about learning, how they connect through it, how they express gratitude to those who've shaped their paths, and how they imagine finding and building community here at Penn.

Each student's perspective helps them shape a class that learns *with* and *from* one another. There are countless ways to find community at Penn, and they encourage you to explore how you might see yourselves there.

If you haven't already, visit their Exploring Community at Penn page to learn more about the many ways their students connect, support one another, and make Penn their own.

Why ICW (Independent Colleges of Washington?

Their member campuses play a critical role in the state's higher education ecosystem, cultivating talent, championing diversity, and making it possible for more Washington residents to find their best fit here at home.

Watch these short videos to see why: Video 1 and Video 2
Keep your eyes open on the numerous scholarships they offer! Scholarships will be posted under the Scholarship Calendar on the CCC website as they become available.

Financial Aid 101 on demand:

- English (PDF) (YouTube).
- Spanish (PDF) (Video coming soon).

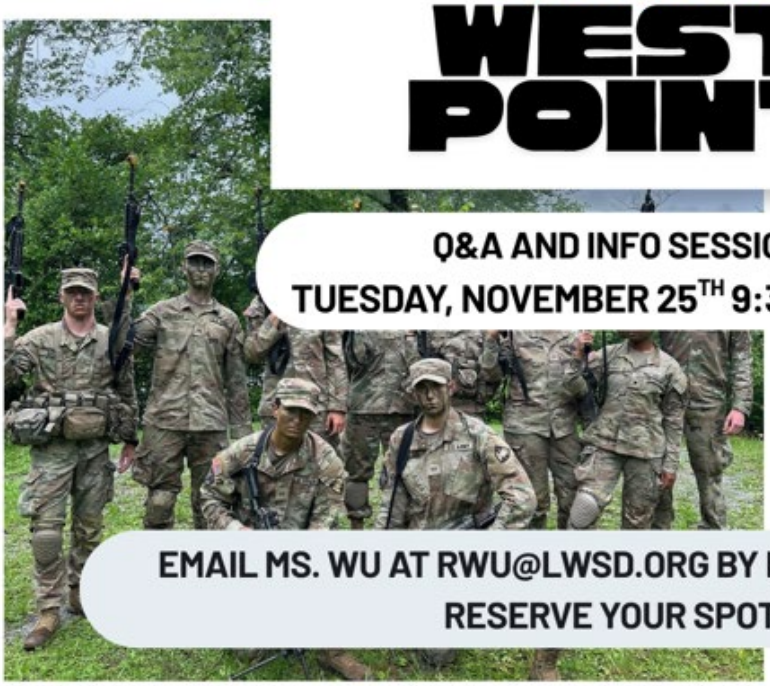






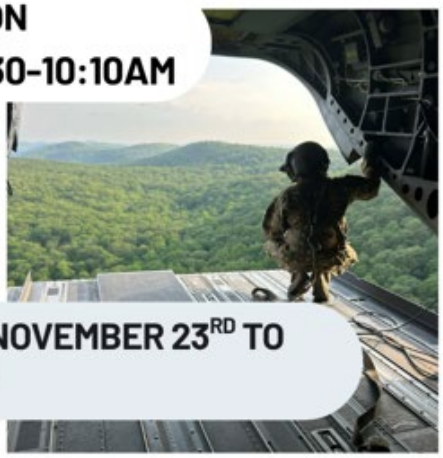
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Q&A AND INFO SESSION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH 9:30-10:10AM



EMAIL MS. WU AT RWU@LWSD.ORG BY NOVEMBER 23RD TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT











Worksite Learning (WSL) – Earn Credits for Your Job

Worksite Learning

Earn high school credit for working

Steps to earning high school credit through WSL

1. *Age 16+* — You must be 16 or older
2. You must have taken or be enrolled in a qualifying CTE class
3. Your job should align with your career interest and High School and Beyond Plan
4. Complete and submit the Worksite Learning packet
5. *180 Hours* — Once approved, earn 0.5 CTE credit for every 180 hours of work

Contact Ms. Wu at rwu@lwsd.org if you have any questions.



THE END IS IN SIGHT...
You're nearly there!

Same day sign ups available!

COLLEGE ESSAY WORKSHOP

www.essay.coach

GET HELP ON ZOOM OR IN THE CCC

How to access College Bound funds

College Bound is a state financial aid program that helps eligible students pay for education after high school. It can help pay for average tuition (at public college rates), some fees, and a small amount for books. It's important to understand how the program works and what steps you need to take to receive College Bound funds.

Steps to get College Bound funds:

What you need to do:

- Meet the College Bound program requirements.
  - » Complete the FAFSA or WASFA your senior year in high school and every year you're in college or technical school. List all colleges you may attend on your financial aid application. At least three colleges are recommended.
- Enroll in a college or career school within one year after high school graduation.
- Attend one of over 60 eligible schools in Washington.

Note: Each school has its own financial aid deadlines that you must follow.

What happens next?

College Bound staff will:

- Match your financial aid application to your College Bound application.
- Let the WA colleges you listed on your FAFSA or WASFA know you're a College Bound student.

Your college will:

- Use your FAFSA or WASFA to check your income eligibility each year to make sure you qualify.
- Add up all the financial aid you can get, including College Bound and the Washington College Grant, if you are eligible.
- Send you a financial aid award offer showing how much financial aid you will receive.

Note: For help with your financial aid award, eligibility, or the process, contact your college's financial aid office.

How much will you get? The amount you receive depends on:

- Your family's income (from your FAFSA or WASFA).
- The type of college or technical school you attend.
- Whether you attend full-time or part-time.

Note: If you get other state financial aid like the Washington College Grant (WA Grant), your College Bound amount may be smaller, or you may not receive it at all. But don't worry, you'll still get the state financial aid you qualify for. Other financial aid (like Pell Grants, scholarships, work-study, and loans) may help with extra costs. The only way to find out what you qualify for is to apply for financial aid.

Have questions?

To check if you're enrolled in College Bound:

Email: collegebound@wsac.wa.gov.

Phone: 888-535-0747, option 1.

Learn more about College Bound at collegebound.wa.gov.

Learn more about planning your future at wsac.wa.gov/actionplan.

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