



Counselor Connection

January 2026

Freshmen

- **Course Verification Meetings: Week of January 6**
In January, Freshmen will have the opportunity to meet with their School Counselor one-on-one to discuss their course selections for Sophomore year. Students & families can see the requested courses for next year in SchoolLinks.
- **Homeroom Resumes in January**
With the start of a new semester, we want to make sure students maintain their connection with their Homeroom teachers & peers. Starting in January, Homerooms will return on Tues./Thurs., with WIN offerings appearing later in the month.
- **[Get Involved this Semester!](#)**
Now that your 1st semester of high school is in the books, we want to encourage our freshmen to get involved at North! There are a multitude of clubs & activities to join - check out the link above for more information!

Sophomores

- **Course Verification Meetings: Week of January 12**
In January, Sophomores will have the opportunity to meet with their School Counselor one-on-one to discuss their course selections for Junior year. Students & families can see the requested courses for next year in SchoolLinks.
- **Homeroom Resumes in January**
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- **Save the Date: Postsecondary Planning Night - Feb. 25, 2026**
Wednesday, Feb. 25 is our annual Postsecondary Planning Night, an evening dedicated to Sophomores & Juniors, to help with their postsecondary planning. More information will be shared out as we get closer to the event.

Juniors

- **Course Verification Meetings: Week of January 19**
In January, Juniors will have the opportunity to meet with their School Counselor one-on-one to discuss their course selections for Senior year. Students & families can see the requested courses for next year in SchoolLinks.
- **Homeroom Resumes in January**
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Seniors

- **Midyear (7th Semester) Transcript Requests**
If you applied to a school using the Common App (and synced it with SchoolLinks), your midyear transcript will automatically be sent. If your college requires a midyear transcript and you did not apply using the Common App, please fill out [this form](#).
- **[Financial Aid Graduation Requirement](#)**
As a reminder, the State of Illinois has a financial aid graduation requirement for all Seniors. You must complete one of the following: 1) The FAFSA; 2) The Alternative Application; 3) A non-participation form. Click the link above for more information.
- **The Search for Scholarships**
Now that the first major college application deadline has passed, we wanted to make sure students were searching out scholarship opportunities. Please check out the bottom of [Step 6: Financial Aid & Scholarships](#), from our [Senior Week FlowDoc](#).

The PARC Updates:

[NCompass](#): This is a link to our reimagined & collaborative Postsecondary Planning Guide for all grades, created in partnership with the PARC at Naperville Central.

[Student Services Programming](#): This is a link to our overarching document, explaining all programming School Counselors are providing to students & families. We encourage you to utilize this resource to view past programming / resources, as well as upcoming opportunities.

Check out our latest blog post within [Huskie Hygge](#), our NNHS socio-emotional learning digital resource library, for curated content on a number of topics and themes for holistic wellness.