



Counselor Connection

April 2026

Freshmen

- **April 9: PACT 8/9 for ALL Freshmen**
On Thursday, April 9th, ALL NNHS Freshmen will take the PACT 8/9. Freshmen can find their room locations posted on the walls by the Main Office & SS1. **Please make sure to arrive early to check-in, so testing can start on-time.**
- **Postsecondary Exploration Resources**
While many students associate college with the next step after high school, there are a number of postsecondary options that they should consider. [NCompass](#) has more information on some of the most popular [postsecondary options](#) available.
- **[Track Your Involvement in SchoolLinks](#)**
Each spring, students are given a tutorial in Homeroom on how to track their involvement (including service hours) in SchoolLinks. This can also help when applying to college, or building a resume.

Sophomores

- **April 9: PACT 10 for ALL Sophomores**
On Thursday, April 9th, ALL NNHS Sophomores will take the PACT 10. Sophomores can find their room locations posted on the walls by the Main Office & SS1. **Please make sure to arrive early to check-in, so testing can start on-time.**
- **Career Exploration Resources**
Sophomore year is a great time for students to explore the endless career opportunities available to them. We have a number of [career exploration tools](#) available for students on [NCompass](#).
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Juniors

- **April 8: State ACT for ALL Juniors**
On Wednesday, April 8th, ALL NNHS Juniors will take the State ACT. **NOTE:** This will **NOT** be a Late Start Wednesday. **Please make sure to arrive early to check-in, so testing can start on-time.**
- **[Spring College Exploration Activities](#)**
As we move toward spring, there are a number of upcoming college exploration opportunities. From the Illinois Regional College Fair at North Central College, to virtual national fairs, check out all upcoming opportunities in the link above.
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Seniors

- **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](#).
- **[College Deferrals - What Do I Do Next?](#)**
We have seen many Seniors stop by The PARC & Student Services asking what they can do because they were deferred from a school. The link above provides great information on next steps (like following the school's instructions *closely*)
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The PARC Updates:

[Planning to Visit a College Campus Soon?](#) We have resources available for students & families who are planning to visit college campuses this spring / summer.

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