SENIOR INTERVIEW 2026-2027
IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION
https://reno.washoeschools.net/academics/renohscounselors

SENIOR PARENT NIGHT: Will be held on Wednesday, Sept 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the theater. There will be presentations on Scholarships, Graduation, Boosters, Financial Aid, and Josten's. Parents seeking important information regarding their child's senior year and preparation for the next step should attend.

SCHOLARSHIPS: The **College and Career Center (CCC)** is the best and most accessible resource for learning about colleges, scholarships, and Financial Aid information. While there will be in person hours available, we highly encourage students and parents to regularly check the CCC website throughout the school year for the latest websites, applications, and general advice. Website: https://reno.washoeschools.net/academics/collegecareercenter. Stop by the CCC to see Mrs. Grinnell with any scholarship-related questions. She is amazing!!

RHS In-House Student Scholarships: We are fortunate to have many scholarships that are designated for RHS students only. The **RHS IN-HOUSE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS** will open on **December 1st**- please check the CCC website for links. Please see Mrs. Grinnell if you have any questions.

Millennium Scholarship: There is no application process. Eligible Nevada high school graduates will be notified of their award by mail the first week of August 2027. Please refer to the Millennium Scholarship website for eligibility criteria: https://www.nevadatreasurer.gov/GGMS/GGMS_Home/

FINANCIAL AID: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid **(FAFSA)** could qualify you for grants, loans, and work-study. Apply on-line at https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa. The 2027/2028 application (for Fall 2027 admission) will be available **on October 1st, 2026.** Students will create an FSA ID with an email address and security questions. Keep in a safe place as this is valid for 10 years. Federal financial need is based on family economic situation and applications are evaluated on a first-come/first-serve basis. **Need help with FAFSA?** Sign up for one of our **FAFSA Nights** (located in the CCC): Oct. 1st & Nov. 12th (see Mrs. Grinnell for sign ups).

WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE (WUE): Helps to make college more affordable and accessible to students in the West who plan to go out of state. Greater access to college with reduced tuition rates. Check websites for more information and to see participating schools. https://www.wiche.edu/tuition-savings/wue/

COLLEGE FAIR: The WCSD College Fair is scheduled for **Sunday, October 18th on the UNR campus.** There are many colleges and universities represented as well as breakout sessions on topics such as FAFSA, scholarships, essay writing, letters of recommendation, etc. Preregistration is recommended:
http://www.washoeschools.net/directory/family-school-partnerships/parent-university/college-fair

UNR: UNR's application for admission opened August 1st (https://www.unr.edu/admissions)

- **Early Action Application Deadline (non-binding): November 15, 2026**
- **Priority Admission for Scholarship Consideration: February 15, 2027**
- **Honors College Priority Deadline February 1,2027** (must do regular admission application first)
- **Final Admissions Deadline** (NO Scholarship Consideration) **April 7, 2027**
- **Last day to participate in Advanced Registration: June 15, 2027**

UNR Applicants must have the following to be considered for admission:

- 3.0 Weighted academic grade point average in **CORE** classes (English, Math, Science, Soc. Studies)
  - To calculate your core GPA go to https://www.unr.edu/prospective-students/aqpa-calculator
- If your core GPA is below 3.0 you can still be considered for admission if you earn an Advanced or College & Career Ready Diploma, or earn a 22 ACT/1120 SAT (and have a minimum 2.0 core GPA)
- Official High School Transcript- must be ordered: https://washoeschoolsnv.scriborder.com/
- Applicants may choose to send official SAT/ACT scores to UNR- used for class placement and **scholarships** (**UNR is allowing super scoring for scholarships!**)
- Other fees/applications:
  - Advanced Registration fee ($125- guarantees an early freshman schedule and priority housing) [fee waivers available for qualified students]
  - On-Campus Housing application available November 15th; Feb 1 is the priority cut-off date (space is limited so apply early- $300 deposit secures your spot and is fully refundable till 6/15)
  - FAFSA- Available October 1st 2026
- UNR Recruiter contact for RHS: Mr. Justin Bouldt (jbouldt@unr.edu).
- **NEVADA BOUND**: Nevada Bound is available for prospective students and parents to visit the UNR campus, learn about admissions, scholarships, financial aid, housing, tour all the residence halls, meet with academic representatives, and participate in informal discussions with current students. We strongly encourage students planning to apply/attend UNR to attend this valuable program. Registration for **Nevada Bound** days is through their website https://admissions.unr.edu/portal/nevadabound.

UNLV: UNLV does not require the ACT or SAT for admittance. Students can earn EITHER a 3.0 weighted core GPA, a 22 ACT composite score, an 1120 total SAT score or an advanced or College and Career Ready high school diploma. https://www.unlv.edu/

TMCC: https://www.tmcc.edu/ ; TMCC Recruiter: Juan Gomez jgomez1@tmcc.edu or text only **(775) 204-0595**.

- Steps for Enrollment can be found at https://www.tmcc.edu/steps-to-enroll/degree-seeking
- **TMCC Specific Programs**
  - **TMCC NV Promise Scholarship**: Open to all NV residents who plan to enroll in a minimum of 12 semester credits in Fall 2027. Program details can be found at https://www.tmcc.edu/nevada-promise-scholarship. **Deadline to apply is October 31st**.
  - **Success First Summer Bridge Program**: Goal is to increase college readiness for first generation college students with financial need by providing a FREE college class: https://www.tmcc.edu/recruitment-accesscenter/success-first-program

COMMON APPLICATION: https://www.commonapp.org/ 1,200+ colleges use this application portal, and the Common Application provides a complete toolkit of tips and best practices designed to help you complete your applications successfully and on time: https://www.commonapp.org/counselors-and-recommenders/common-appready ○ Application guide and video tutorials are also available on the student account ○ **Must invite Counselor and teacher(s) to complete application process** ○ Notify Counselor ASAP if applying to a Common Application School

- **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:** Colleges often request letters from teachers and/or counselors as part of the application process. Provide teachers/counselors with a resume and plenty of notice.

UC/CSU SCHOOLS: University of California (UC) application is open and the deadline to apply is **November 30, 2026: https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-system**. Get a head start on your Fall 2027 application for California State University (CSU). Submission of application starts October 1, 2026 and the deadline to apply is **November 30, 2026**: https://www2.calstate.edu/apply

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS: All students must use this process when requesting an official transcript. https://washoeschoolsnv.scriborder.com/ Fee per transcript is $10.00 + $4.00 processing fee for a total of **$14.00 per transcript. YOUR FIRST (4) TRANSCRIPTS ARE FREE**.

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS (SAT or ACT): If school requires test scores, seniors should plan to test no later than the December date. (Testing sites are limited and fill up fast so register early!). Registration and dates are available online for SAT at https://www.collegeboard.org/ or for ACT https://www.act.org/ Two-year colleges do not require scores but may administer their own placement tests for English and Math. **RHS school code- 290145.**

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER: Students must be approved through the **NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER** if they plan to play sports at a Division I or II University. Check for Eligibility Standards and Requirements. Interested students must take the following actions:

- Apply online at https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/ **and pay the required fee. RHS school code is 290145.**
- Complete the required amateurism acknowledgement form and order official transcript

MILITARY: You need your high school diploma to join the military! Research military options thoroughly and contact local recruiters (information below). **Consider taking the ASVAB** (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery). You must sign up to take this test. See Mrs. Grinnell in the CCC for more information.

Army: www.army.mil; www.goarmy.com; 829-2769
Marines: www.usmc.mil; www.marines.com; 829-8911
Navy: www.navy.mil; www.navy.com; 331-1126
Air Force: www.af.mil; www.airforce.com; 829-2807
Air National Guard www.ang.af.mil ; 788-4500
Coast Guard: www.uscg.mil; www.gocoastguard.com
Military Careers online: www.militaryhire.com

APPRENTICESHIPS: Learn and earn on the job in construction and related industries (electrician, ironworker, NV Energy, painter, plumber, sheet metal worker, etc.). Check out Northern Nevada Apprenticeship Coordinator's Association (NNACA) website at www.buildingtradejobs.org and/or contact them directly at 772-7146.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING WCSD POLICIES

Official transcripts and standardized test scores (SAT, AP, ACT) are the responsibility of the student and are to be ordered and sent by the student to the desired recipient.

Per WCSD policy, the role of Reno High Staff is only to provide guidance to students and families as to where to find pertinent information. RHS Staff will **NOT**:

- Indicate, confirm, or advise student eligibility for **NCAA: All student information can be found on the NCAA website**
- Assume any responsibility for admission requirements to Universities and Colleges: **It is the students' responsibility to research information regarding individual schools, their admission criteria, scholarships, financial aid, etc.**
- Under no circumstances will WCSD staff estimate a student's GPA eligibility for **Millennium Scholarship:** Millennium Scholarship recipients are not determined until **AFTER** graduation