

Senior Meeting

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September 22, 2026



Agenda

1. Ways to stay informed
2. How to get through your last year
3. Graduation Requirements
4. Future Center Updates
- 5 Senior Work Time



Ways to Stay Informed

- Quarterly information meetings-
Webex and posted online
- Email Blasts
- Monthly Newsletter
- Accelerate- Observer Account

Counselor Information

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How to Make it Through Senior Year

Senior year is somehow exciting, boring, stressful, and over before you realize it.

1. **Protect the graduation stuff first.**

Know what credits you still need. Pass the classes you need. Do not let Senioritis turn into “wait...am I graduating?”

2. **Future You needs deadlines.**

College applications, FAFSA/CASFA, scholarships, jobs, military, apprenticeships. Put the important dates somewhere you will actually look at them.

3. **Do the money stuff even if you think you won't qualify.**

File the FAFSA/CASFA. Apply for the \$500 scholarship. Ask about financial aid. Make people tell you no instead of telling yourself no.

4. **You do not need your whole life figured out.**

You need a *next step*. College is one option. So are trade programs, apprenticeships, work, military service, certificates, gap-year plans, and combinations of all of the above.

How to Make it Through Senior Year

Senior year is somehow exciting, boring, stressful, and over before you realize it.

5. **Senioritis is real. Plan for it.**

Motivation will probably disappear before the assignments do. Make things easier for tired April You while you still have some Fall season energy.

6. **Actually be here for some of it.**

Take pictures. Go to something you normally wouldn't. Talk to people. Notice your "lasts." You've spent years trying to get to the finish line. Don't miss the finish because you're staring at what comes next.

7. **And when you have no idea what you're doing?**

Come see your counselor. Seriously. *This is literally our job.*

Graduation Requirements



**COMPLETE
INDIVIDUAL CAREER
AND ACADEMIC PLAN
(ICAP)**

+



**EARN A MINIMUM
OF 46 CREDITS**
Studied and understands
required subjects

+



**DEMONSTRATE
KNOWLEDGE**
Can use and apply Math
and Reading, Writing, and
Communication knowledge

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**HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION**
Prepared to pursue interests
after high school



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



REQUIRED COURSE CREDITS

Students must earn a minimum of 46 credits in required courses.

SUBJECT	CREDITS
English	8
Math	6, including 2 semesters of first year Algebra, its equivalent, or higher
Science	6, including Biology (2 semesters) and any Physical Science (2 semesters)
Social Studies	6, including American History (2 semesters) and Civil Government (1 semester)
Economics	1
Humanities	2
Electives	11
Physical Education	3
Health	1
Computer Ed/Tech	1
Postsecondary Workforce Readiness (PWR)	1
Total	46



DEMONSTRATE KNOWLEDGE

Students must demonstrate their knowledge in at least one of the approved competencies to show they are ready to pursue a career after high school.

COMPETENCY OPTIONS	READING, WRITING, AND COMMUNICATION	MATH
Accuplacer Next-Gen	241 or better Reading, or 236 or better Writing	255 or better (AR), or 230 or better Qnt. Reas., Alg., Stat. (QAS)
ACT	18 or better	19 or better
ACT WorkKeys	Bronze Certificate or better	
Advanced Placement	2 or better	2 or better
ASVAB	31 or better	
Concurrent Enrollment	Passing grade	
District Capstone	Pass a D11-approved Capstone Project	
Industry Certificate	Earn a D11-approved Industry Certificate	
International Baccalaureate	4 or better	4 or better
Performance-Based Assessment	Pass a D11-approved, standards-based Performance Assessment	
SAT	470 or better on EBRW	480 or better

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ICAP



INDIVIDUAL CAREER AND ACADEMIC PLAN (ICAP)

Students must complete the following activities:

- ☐ Complete a Career Interest Inventory
- ☐ Create a Profile/Resume
- ☐ Complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Colorado Application for State Financial Aid (CASFA)
- ☐ Explore and Favorite Careers
- ☐ Explore and Favorite Postsecondary Options (includes college, military, and certificate programs)
- ☐ Apply to One or More Postsecondary Options (includes college, military, and certificate programs)
- ☐ Develop a Postsecondary Goal

The Wasson Future Center is a place for...

- Completing College Applications
- Connecting with Career Speakers
- Seeking Financial Aid
- Exploring Careers
- 1 on 1 or Group Career Counseling/Workshops
- Finding Work Based Learning Opportunities (Job Shadows, Internships, and Apprenticeships)



Wasson Future Center

Enter the front doors of the Wasson campus and you will see it on your left.



Future Center Information

WEBSITE AND CALENDAR

<https://bit.ly/wfuturecenter>



MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

<https://bit.ly/wfcmeeting>



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Career and College Counselor



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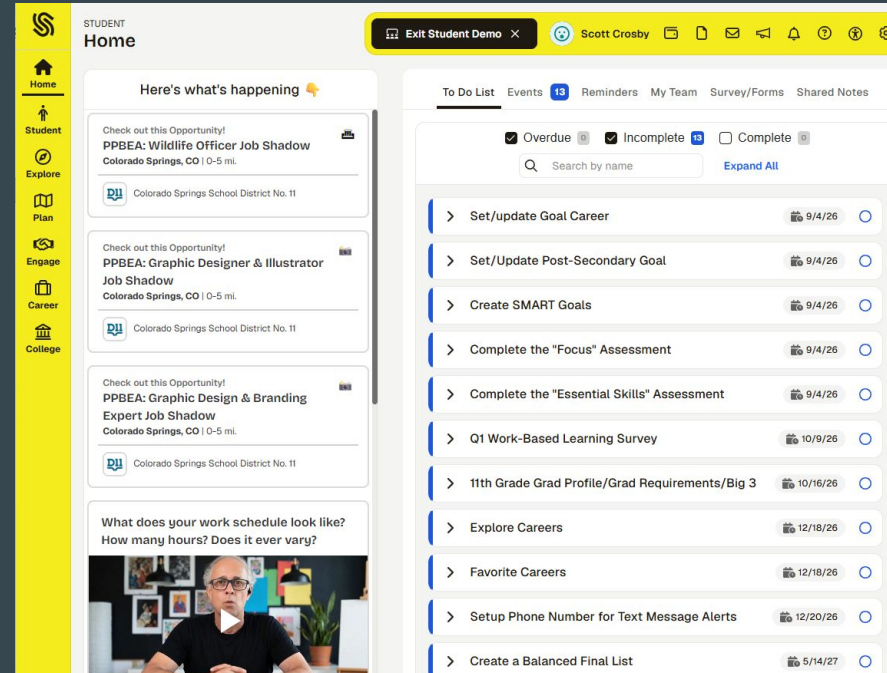
Schoolinks

Schoolinks is our college and career platform.

What can I do in Schoolinks?

- Complete your ICAP (Individual Career and Academic Plan) which is a graduation requirement.
- Take Career Assessments
- Search Colleges and Careers.
- Sign up for future center events!

<https://www.d11.org/schoolinks>



College Applications and FAFSA

- College Application Day - October 29th
 - A Pikes Peak State College (PPSC) and University of Colorado, Colorado Springs (UCCS) Representatives
 - We will have a workshop for you to complete your application on the spot.
- FAFSA Workshops
 - FAFSA = Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE!)
 - We will support you with completing the FAFSA to secure money for your future.
 - The sooner you do it, the more likely you are to get MORE money.

GET FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE



FINANCIAL AID NIGHTS

Join us to learn more about
financial aid and
Apply for the FAFSA.
(Free Application for Federal Financial Aid)

Date	Time	Location
October 13	4:00–5:30pm	Achieve
October 15	4:00–5:30pm	Achieve
November 10	3:00–5:30pm	Wasson Future Center
February 2	4:00–5:30pm	Achieve
February 18	3:00–6:30pm	Wasson Future Center

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D11 PROMISE



Get 60 college credits or 3 years of tuition at PPSC.



Requirements:

- **2.5+ GPA**
- **90%+ Attendance Rate**

DO YOU WANT CREDIT FOR YOUR WORK HOURS?

**You can get 1 credit for 60 hours
and 2 credits per semester!**

**Reach out to your counselor
today!**





Apprenticeship Career Expo

Hosted by Apprenticeship Colorado

To Sign Up:

- 1) Sign Up on Schoolinks
- 2) Fill out a permission slip (Found in your Future Center)
- 3)



Scan the QR code
to register!

**Tuesday, September 29th, 2026
9:30AM-1PM**

Location: Trojan Arena (10725 Trojan Point,
Fountain, CO 80817.

Join us for a D11 field trip to the
Apprenticeship Career Expo to meet
apprenticeship representatives and learn
about programs.

Transportation is provided. Limited Seats
Available.

An **apprenticeship** is a program that
combines paid, on-the-job training
with classroom instruction to prepare
workers for a highly skilled career.

DISTRICT 11

COLLEGE FAIRS

Southern Colorado College Fair

Monday, September 28th

5-7 PM @[Coronado High School](#)

Colorado Council College Fair

Thursday, October 8th

12:30-2PM @[Mitchell High School](#)

**Bus Transportation
Available**
Sign Up on Schoolinks



COLLEGE FAIR

AT MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL



Thursday, October 8th
12:30-2PM

Transportation is provided for D11 Students.

- 1) Register for the event by using the QR Code.
- 2) Sign up on Schoolinks
- 3) Pick up a permission slip from your future center and turn it in.



strivefair.com/qr

Colleges in Attendance

Colorado Mesa University
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Colorado State University Pueblo
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Fort Hays State University
Grand Canyon University
McPherson College
Nebraska Wesleyan University
Northeastern Junior College
Pikes Peak State College
Pueblo Community College
Regis University
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Colorado Colorado Springs
University of Colorado Denver
University of Denver
University of Hawai'i at Hilo
University of New Mexico - Main Campus
University of Northern Colorado
West Texas A & M University
Western Colorado University

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CITY JOBS *Trip*



October 28, 2026



9:30-2:15



Pizza provided at site



70 Students across D11

EXPLORE CAREERS IN...



POLICE DEPARTMENT



CITY STRATEGY



FIRE DEPARTMENT



FINANCE &
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



PUBLIC WORKS



PARKS & REC



University of Colorado
Colorado Springs

College of Education

2ND ANNUAL FUTURE EDUCATOR CONFERENCE

Register Today!
<https://cvent.me/7l3nb4>



THURSDAY
OCTOBER 15, 2026
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
8:00 AM CHECK-IN

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
COLORADO SPRINGS CAMPUS
1420 AUSTIN BLUFFS PARKWAY
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80918



Are you interested in working in Mental Health?

Join a cohort of students who meet monthly with different mental health professionals to learn about mental health topics and careers.

Transportation and Lunch is provided.

Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Address	Notes
October 5	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Diversus Health	1795 Jet Wing Drive	Mental Health/Counseling/
November 2	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Citizens Service Center	1675 W. Garden of the Gods Road	Psychiatric/Medical
December 7	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	NAMI	1615 S. Murray Boulevard	Crisis/Lighthouse
January 11	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Family Success Center	1520 Verde Drive	Care Coordination/Unity House
February 2	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Penrose House	1661 Mesa Avenue	Legal/Marketing/Outreach
March 1	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Diversus Health—Ruskin Location	220 Ruskin Drive	Human Resources—Mock Interviews
April 5	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Wasson	2115 Afton Way	Large Resiliency Panel Presentation—open

Students receive...

- 1 Work Based Learning High School Credit
- Real life knowledge from working professionals.
- Networking Opportunities
- Internship Opportunities



Sign up by scanning this QR code and filling out the form.

ASVAB TEST

The ASVAB is the test that every military branch uses to determine eligibility and your occupation. Come and take the test for free!

Dates:

November 12

January 22

April 1

Time: 8:30-11:30am

Wasson Future Center

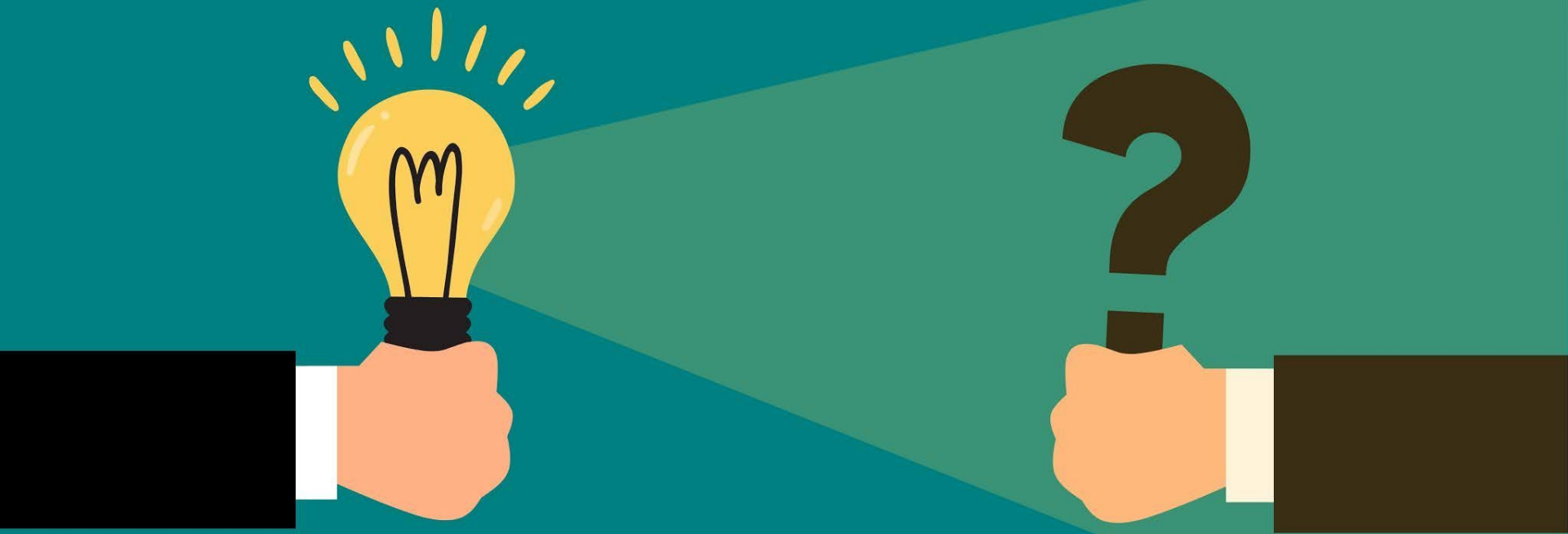
Sign up on Schoolinks
or talk to your counselor!

Career/College Field Trips

- Sept 29 Apprenticeship Fair
- Oct 8 College Fair at Mitchell HS (22+ Colleges)
- Oct 15 UCCS Future Educator Conference
- Oct 28 City Jobs Trip
- Oct 30 UCCS Engineering Visit Day
- Nov 6 School of Medicine Series at Coronado HS
- Nov 6 Visit to Metropolitan State University
- Nov 10 Automotive Draft Day (Interviews)
- Nov 13 UCCS Business Visit Day
- Nov 17 Visit to CU Anschutz Medical Campus (Denver)

Future.....Future Center Events

- Achieve Online PPSC and UCCS College Visit
- Many Speakers (CSFD, CSPD, Cosmetology, etc.)
- College Representatives (PPSC, UCCS, RMCAD)
- Resume and Mock Interview Workshops
- Health Science Field Trips



**TIME TO
WORK**

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