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We are here if you need us!

Book an Appointment

Order Transcript

SENIOR DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct 1: FAFSA opens
Oct 6: Senior Opportunity Day
Oct 15: 1st big deadline for college applications
Oct 19-25: CFNC Countdown to College Week
Oct 31: Military Academy nominations due

TESTING INFORMATION

Planning to take the SAT or ACT?
Visit the websites below for important information, including how to register for a test, review your scores and more!

www.actstudent.org
www.collegeboard.org

Test Tips

✓ Register early
✓ Bring required identification
✓ Use free practice resources
✓ Send scores only when needed

Score Reporting

Many colleges are now test-optional. Check each college's admission requirements.

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MESSAGE TO SENIORS:

Whether your next step is college, the workforce, or military service, this Senior Bulletin is for you! Designed with every senior in mind, it serves as your one-stop resource for important information, deadlines, opportunities, and tips to help you successfully navigate life after high school. No matter which path you choose, you'll find tools and resources here to help you plan, prepare, and move confidently toward your future.

SENIOR MONTHLY CHECKLIST

Everyone

- ☐ Check school email weekly
- ☐ Review graduation requirements and credits
- ☐ Monitor grades and attendance
- ☐ Meet deadlines for forms and applications
- ☐ Update resume with new activities & achievements
- ☐ Continue community service hours (if applicable)
- ☐ Apply for scholarships

College-Bound Seniors

- ☐ Submit college applications before deadlines
- ☐ Request transcripts if needed
- ☐ Track application status through college portals
- ☐ Complete FAFSA
- ☐ Submit scholarship applications
- ☐ Schedule campus visits or virtual tours
- ☐ Confirm housing and orientation deadlines

Military-Bound Seniors

- ☐ Meet with recruiter regularly
- ☐ Register for the ASVAB (if needed)
- ☐ Complete medical and enlistment requirements
- ☐ Research education benefits & career paths
- ☐ Review enlistment contract and timelines

Workforce-Bound Seniors

- ☐ Update resume and cover letter
- ☐ Apply for jobs, apprenticeships, training programs
- ☐ Practice interview skills
- ☐ Build LinkedIn profile
- ☐ Obtain industry certifications (if applicable)

OCTOBER TASKS

- ☐ File the FAFSA
- ☐ Submit Early Action and Early Decision applications
- ☐ Register to take the SAT if applicable.

Click HERE for the SAT testing calendar.

- ☐ Register to take the ACT if applicable.

Click HERE for the ACT testing calendar.

DREAM BIG

Your future starts with a dream - and a plan.

Discover your strengths
Reach for your goals
E xplore your possibilities
Ask for help when you need it
Make your future count

Believe in yourself
Invest in your success
Grow beyond what you thought possible

APPLYING TO COLLEGE

Before You Apply

- ☑ Create application accounts
- ☑ Build a college list
- ☑ Request recommendation letters
- ☑ Verify deadlines
- ☑ Review essay requirements
- ☑ Order/send transcripts

Common Application

https://www.commonapp.org

CFNC College Applications

https://www.cfnc.org

Application Tips

Apply before priority deadlines.
Proofread essays carefully.
Use a professional email address.
Keep a record of usernames/passwords
Check college portals weekly.

DIPLOMA ENDORSEMENTS

North Carolina diploma endorsements recognize academic achievement and career readiness.
Students may earn Career, College, College/UNC, Academic Scholars and Global Languages endorsements by meeting course and GPA requirements. Multiple endorsements can be earned and no application is required.

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PLANNING TO ATTEND GTCC?

Most GTCC programs offer open admission, but some Limited Enrollment Programs have competitive admissions and early deadlines. These include Nursing, Dental Hygiene, EMS, Aviation, Cosmetology, Medical Assisting Surgical Technology and more.

Interested students should contact GTCC Admissions early, as some deadlines may be as early as October.

Senior Tip: Competitive programs often require prerequisite courses, placement testing, or additional application materials.

APPRENTICESHIPS & TRADES

High-demand career pathways include:

- ☑ Electrician
- ☑ HVAC Technician
- ☑ Plumbing
- ☑ Welding
- ☑ Automotive Technology
- ☑ Construction Management
- ☑ Advanced Manufacturing

Learn More

https://www.apprenticeshipnc.com

You can also reach out to Ms. Taylor, Career & College Manager at taylorm2@gcsnc.com

INTERESTED IN THE MILITARY?

Meet with a PHS military recruiter to explore your options and learn about the different service branches. You are encouraged to take the ASVAB BEFORE graduation.

Military Branches

Army, Navy, Coast Guard, National Guard, Air Force, Marines

Benefits May Include

tuition assistance, health insurance, career training, housing assistance, GI Bill educational benefits

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH RESOURCES

Fastweb: https://www.fastweb.com

College Board: https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org

CFNC Scholarships: https://www.cfnc.org

FAFSA & PAYING FOR COLLEGE

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

The FAFSA opens October 1!

https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

CSS PROFILE

Some colleges also require the CSS Profile (through the College Board. A fee may apply unless you qualify for a fee waiver.

https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/

Documents You May Need

*Social Security Number
*Parent and student tax information
*Federal tax returns (when applicable)
*Records of untaxed income
*Bank account information

Types of Financial Aid

Federal Loans, Work Study, *Scholarships (do not repay), Grants (do not repay)

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Paying for college can be expensive, but we're here to help! The Counseling Department keeps a list of scholarships with upcoming deadlines. This is a live document updated regularly - check back often!

Page Comprehensive Scholarship List

https://pagehs.gcsnc.com/counseling-services/college-planning/scholarships

Several scholarships require a nomination process. If you are interested, review the requirements and deadlines below!

Scholarships requiring school/counselor nomination:

***Jefferson Scholars** (Nov)

***Morehead Cain** (Spring of junior year)

***John Belk** (up to 2 school nominees) - Nov 1st

Scholarships requiring a counselor or self nomination

Levine Scholars

Self-nomination deadline: Oct 15

Counselor nomination deadline: Nov 1

Wofford Scholars

Self-nomination deadline: Nov

Rank in the 10% of your class

Achieve a 1300 SAT/PSAT or 28 ACT/PLAN score

Demonstrate leadership and involvement in school or community activities

Scholarship that allows self-nomination

Park Scholarship

Deadline: Nov. 1

Must be a U.S. citizen, or graduate of a U.S. high school

Minimum unweighted GPA of 3.80

Apply for fall, first-year admission to NCSU

Not be transfer student

ACT/SAT scores are optional, but will be considered if submitted for NCSU admission.

Contact Mr. Hall to express your interest in these scholarships!

CAREER & WORKFORCE PREP

Resume Tips

✓ Keep to one page when possible
✓ Include:
Contact information
Education
Work experience & Volunteer Work
Leadership activities
Certifications & Skills

Resume Action Verbs

Led, Organized, Developed, Assisted, Managed, Created, Collaborated, Achieved

Interview Tips

Arrive 10 minutes early
Dress professionally
Bring copies of your resume
Research the company beforehand
Prepare examples of teamwork, leadership

Job Search Resources

NCWorks: https://www.ncworks.gov
Indeed: https://www.indeed.com
LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com

SENIOR RESUME REMINDER

All seniors should create a resume to support counselor and teacher recommendation letters, as well as college and scholarship applications.

SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS TIPS

Review all eligibility requirements carefully.
Verify application deadlines.
Submit applications early whenever possible.
Remember: late, incomplete, or inaccurate applications are typically not accepted.

COLLEGE REP VISITS

College admissions representatives visit Page throughout the year to meet with interested students and answer questions.

☑ **Register in advance** if you plan to attend. Teachers will be notified the morning of the event.

View the College Visit Schedule on CANVAS

Senior Tip: College visits are a great way to learn about admissions, scholarships, campus life and academic programs firsthand.