Glacier High School
Career Center
Fall 2025 Newsletter

Anticipating Another Great Year At GHS!

The GHS Career Center and Counseling staff look forward to working with your student to help them make the 2025-2026 school year as productive and successful as possible. Our primary role is supporting all students in the process of developing their full potential and becoming contributing citizens. We hope you, the parents, will feel free to contact us in an effort to make this a great year.

Wolfpack Mission: To inspire lifelong learning by providing a broad, engaging education in a respectful, safe and supportive environment.



Important Dates

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sept. 15, 2025	Senior Class Meeting	8:15 am	GHS PH
Sept. 25, 2025	College Fair Grades 11 & 12 (Preregistration required) www.montanacolleges.com	8:15-11:30 am	FHS Gym
Sept.22-Oct.3, 2025	College Application Week(s) - www.ApplyMontana.org	All Week	Online
Oct. 1, 2025	FAFSA Application Opens - www.fafsa.gov	Online	Online
Oct. 8, 2025	Paying for college presentation	7:00 pm	FHS Flex Room
Oct. 15, 2025	PSAT Testing Grades 10 & 11 (Preregistration required)	8:15-12:00	GHS CR, PH, Classrooms
Nov. 2025	ASVAB Career Exploration Test Grades 10,11,& 12 (Preregistration required)	8:15-11:15	GHS Career Center
Dec. 12, 2025	Senior Scholarship Packet available - over 100 local and state scholarships	8:00-3:30 pm	GHS Career Center
April 2026	Junior Career Exploration Fair	8:30-11:30 am	Fairgrounds
April 2026	Junior ACT Test (Preregistration required)	8:15-1:00	GHS Classrooms
May 6, 2026	Senior Celebration	6:00 pm	GHS PH & Commons
May 20, 2026	Senior Exit Survey	9:00 am	GHS Writing Center
June 6, 2026	Graduation	10:00 am	GHS Gym

Contact Information

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Step It Up . . . Sophomores

October
- Get to know your Counselor
- Become familiar with the Career Center
- Explore careers you find interesting
- Participate in extracurricular activities
- Take the PSAT
- Narrow down your list of colleges with a few colleges at your current GPA, a few with requirements above your GPA, at least one with requirements below your GPA
- Start searching for financial aid options

November
- Begin to set up your student resume with an activities and awards file

December
- Receive your October PSAT scores in January

January
- Review your PSAT results with your counselor in order to identify your strengths to determine the areas that you may need to improve on
- Register for AP classes beginning your Junior year. Scoring well on these exams can sometimes earn college credit

February
- Start researching and begin a list of colleges that you are interested in

March
- Research college majors

April
- Make sure your student resume file is updated and current

May
- Find a summer job that will boost your skills in an area you hope to pursue. Volunteer your time in your community throughout the summer.

Get Going . . . Juniors

October
- Attend a few college visits in the career center
- Take the PSAT exam

November
- Explore and attend student campus days at the college(s) you are interested in

January
- Begin to look at schools and find three or four that are a good fit for you
- Talk to coaches at colleges if your are interested in playing college sports

February
- Check for tests that are necessary for getting into college like the SAT and ACT
- Make plans with parents/counselors to visit schools over spring break

March
- Go on college visits during spring break
- Prep for the ACT test you'll take next month

April
- Take the Junior ACT test at GHS
- Meet with your counselor to make sure you're on track to graduate next year

May
- Find a summer job that will boost your skills in an area you hope to pursue. Continue to volunteer your time in your community.

June
- Research scholarships: www.mtcis.intocareers.org; www.fastweb.com; www.scholarships.com etc.

Note to Juniors: Remember to challenge yourself in your classes and take classes that may relate to your future career plans.

Class of 2026 Senior Celebration

The Senior Celebration is Glacier High School's annual awards night that honors our senior scholarship recipients. During last year's evening celebration, XX seniors were honored with awards and scholarships totaling just over $X.X million. The scholarship packet for the Class of 2026 will be available on Friday, December 12, 2025. Stop by the Career Center to pick one up.

EVENT: 2026 Senior Celebration
DATE: Wednesday, May 6, 2026
TIME: 6:00 pm
PLACE: GHS Performance Hall & Commons



The Final Countdown . . . Seniors

September
- Register for the SAT or ACT
- Finalize your student resume
- Prepare college applications
- Request letters of recommendation from teachers/counselors

October
- Complete and submit your FAFSA* (*moved to December 1st)

November
- Make your final decision for private schools

December
- Make your final decision for public schools
- Pick up scholarship information packet from the career center and apply for as many local and community scholarships as possible
- Obtain scholarship-financial aid applications from prospective schools

January
- Work on scholarship applications, and check for upcoming application deadlines for both public and private schools

February
- Continue to apply for as many local and community scholarships as possible
- Call the colleges to which you applied to make sure they received all of your information

March
- Submit your college application, as many school deadlines are March 1st
- Follow up on community scholarships and their deadlines

June
- Check out work study, make housing and meal plans and contact your roommate

FVCC Running Start

Sophomores, start thinking ahead. **Juniors** and **Seniors**, take college classes while still in high school! You have the opportunity to earn up to six college credits FREE! If you are interested contact Shelley Eberhardy at 406-285-1523 or stop by the Career Center to sign up for an appointment to meet with her on Tuesdays or Thursdays at Glacier. She'll answer all your running start related questions and provide you all the information you need. Don't delay! Meet with Shelley today!

ACT Test Dates

National Test Dates	Regular Registration	Late Registration
Sept. 6, 2025	Aug. 1, 2025	Aug. 19, 2025
Oct. 18, 2025	Sept. 12, 2025	Sept. 30, 2025
Dec. 13, 2025	Nov. 7, 2025	Nov. 24, 2025
Feb. 14, 2026	Jan. 9, 2026	Jan. 23, 2026
April 11, 2026	March 6, 2026	March 24, 2026
June 13, 2026	May 8, 2026	May 29, 2026
July 11, 2026	June 5, 2026	June 24, 2026

SAT Test Dates

National Test Dates	Regular Registration	Late Registration
Aug. 23, 2025	Aug. 8, 2025	Aug. 12, 2025
Oct. 4, 2025	Sept. 19, 2025	Sept. 23, 2025
Nov. 8, 2025	Oct. 24, 2025	Oct. 28, 2025
Dec. 6, 2025	Nov 21, 2025	Nov. 25, 2025
Mar. 14, 2026	Feb. 27, 2026	March 3, 2026
May 2, 2026	April 17, 2026	April 21, 2026
June 6, 2026	May 22, 2026	May 26, 2026

GHS School Code: 270-523

See the Career Center for more information. To register go to:

ACT www.actstudent.org

SAT www.sat.org/register

Important Update: Flathead Valley Community College will NOT be proctoring ACT or SAT tests during the 2025-2026 school year. Please plan accordingly when registering. You may want to call and verify you are eligible to test at the testing site you choose before completing your registration.

Planning for College?

For everything you ever wanted to know about going to college, download the latest online guidebook at:
www.MontanaColleges.com/guidebook

Career Center Representative Presentations—University, College, Tech, & Military

At this time, college admission representatives will be meeting with students in person or virtually in the Career Center. They can't wait to meet you! Listed below is the contact information for some Montana colleges and universities. Please see the Career Center if you have questions, or need more information on how to connect with schools you are interested in.

College / University	Website	Phone Number	Location
Carroll College	www.carroll.edu	406-447-4300	Helena, MT
Dawson Community College	www.dawson.edu	800-821-8320	Glendive, MT
Flathead Valley Community College	www.fvcc.edu	406-756-3848	Kalispell, MT
Highlands College	www.mtech.edu	406-496-3707	Butte, MT
Missoula College	www.mc.umt.edu	406-243-6266	Missoula, MT
Montana State University	www.montana.edu	406-994-2452	Bozeman, MT
Montana State University Billings	www.msubillings.edu	406-657-2888	Billings, MT
Montana State University Northern	www.msun.edu	406-265-3704	Havre, MT
Montana Tech	www.mtech.edu	800-445-8324	Butte, MT
Pima Medical Institute	www.pmi.edu	800-477-7462	Dillon, MT
Rocky Mountain College	www.rocky.edu	406-657-1000	Billings, MT
Salish Kootenai College	www.skc.edu	406-275-4800	Pablo, MT
University of Montana	www.umt.edu	406-243-6266	Missoula, MT
University of Montana Western	www.umwestern.edu	406-683-7331	Dillon, MT
University of Providence	www.providence.edu	406-761-8210	Great Falls, MT

Military Monthly Lunch Visits (GHS Commons)

Air National Guard - 1st Tuesday
Air Force -1st Wednesday
Marines –1st Thursday
Navy - 2nd Tuesday
Army -3rd Thursday
Army National Guard – 4th Wednesday

Kalispell Job Service

Students … get one on one help finding a great job! Whether you need help updating your resume, help filling out applications, or need to practice your interview skills stop by the Career Center to make an appointment to meet with an advisor from Kalispell Job Service. They have information on over 1000 job opportunities in the valley to share with you!

Stop by the Career Center today to scan the QR Code and complete the student questionnaire!

Glacier High School Career Center





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Career Center Mission

It is our mission to provide assistance in helping individuals find a meaningful and viable path in life and to provide resources to help them achieve these goals.

- Assistance in planning for the future
- College admissions
- Assistance with college financial aid
- Scholarship Information (Local, State, National, School Specific)
- Assistance in finding volunteer opportunities
- Post-graduate assistance
- Information on the Military
- Information on colleges, training programs, trade, and technical schools
- Career information
- ACT/SAT registration and test prep
- Job Shadows
- Career Exploration

FAFSA
Free Application For Federal Student Aid

First … Create your FSA ID. An FSA ID is a username and password that gives you access to the Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature.
Visit https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch to create an FSA ID

Next … Beginning December 2024 start your FAFSA application form to apply for financial aid.
Visit https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa to get started

Montana University System FAFSA **Priority** filing deadline: **February 1st**

College Application Week(s)
September 22—October 3, 2025

College Application Week provides high school seniors the opportunity to learn about Montana colleges and universities and complete a college application. Counselors will be available in the Career Center for both lunches during CAW to help seniors apply.

Apply to any school in the Montana University System for FREE during CAW at:

ApplyMontana.org