Junior Fall Guidance



Class of 2028

Carroll Senior High School

Fall 2026

CSHS Counseling Staff

Counselors	Alpha
Julie Presley	A-D
Shannon Davidson	E-K & Dual Credit
Keri Bettencourt	L-Q
Misty Paul	R-Z

Office Staff	Position
Julia Zamora	Registrar
Misty Ouldhouse	Receptionist

Transcripts

A transcript shows all courses a student has taken for high school credit. All grades, including grades below 70, will be recorded.

Transcripts will show the following:

- Completed courses; grades and credits earned
- Correspondence Courses/Credit by Exams
- GPA (weighted, 100 point scale)
- Rank in class if top ten percent

A copy of your transcript is available in your Skyward Portfolio!

Credits and Graduation Plans

26 credits plus at least one endorsement required for Foundations - Distinguished Level of Achievement graduation plan

Required STAAR/EOC assessments must also be passed:

- English 1
- Algebra 1
- Biology
- English 2
- **US History**

DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT	
CR	**COURSES**
1	English I
1	English II
1	English III
1	Advanced English[1]
1	Algebra I*
1	Geometry**
1	Algebra II
1	4th Math[2]
1	Biology
1	Integrated Physics & Chemistry or Other Science[3]
1	3rd Science[3]
1	4th Science[3]
1	World Geography or World History[4]
1	U.S. History
.5	Government
.5	Economics[10]
2	2 credits in the same language[5] OR 2 credits in Computer Science[6]
1	Physical Education or substitution[7]
1	Fine Arts[8]
7	Elective Courses
Total	**26 State Credits**

Service Recognition Award (optional)

The Service Recognition Award is a Carroll ISD local award that students can earn by completing:

100 hours of Community Service

*Hours must be logged in SchooLinks AND approved by the adult sponsor of the event.

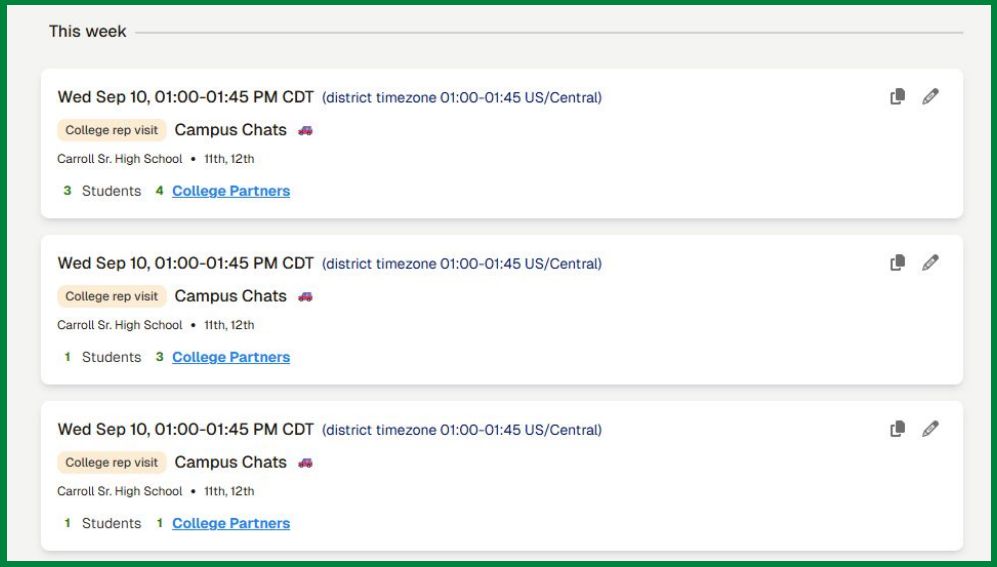
Students will **enter hours through SchooLinks: Engage >Experience Tracking.** Save time and group your hours. Instructions for logging hours are found at Reporting Service Hours in SchooLinks

Campus Chats

What are campus chats?
Campus chats consist of college representatives from around the United States visiting with CSHS students.

In-Person visits will be at 1:14 PM in the SAC unless otherwise specified.

- View upcoming campus chats: Engage, Events
- Receive an email notification for any schools you have added in your “Favorites & Lists” section
- Connect with reps even after applying!



College Visits

Juniors and Seniors are allowed four days of college visitation per year. *Prior to visiting* the college, the student must inform the Attendance Office and pick up an *Official College Visit Form*.

See or email the Attendance Secretary if you have any questions regarding your attendance and/or official college visits.

Career Investigation Days

Per Texas House Bill 68, Juniors and Seniors are now allowed two days per year for career exploration. *Prior to the absence,* the student must pick up a permission form and must obtain approval from their grade level administrator.

*Cannot be substituted for a college visit day.

*Forms are available at the Attendance Office.

Junior Year Testing Timeline

ACT/SAT: November - June

Register for SAT - www.collegeboard.org

Register for ACT - www.actstudent.org

SAT School Day - March 3, Details TBA

STAAR/EOC: May 2027

AP Exams: May 2027

CSHS Testing Website

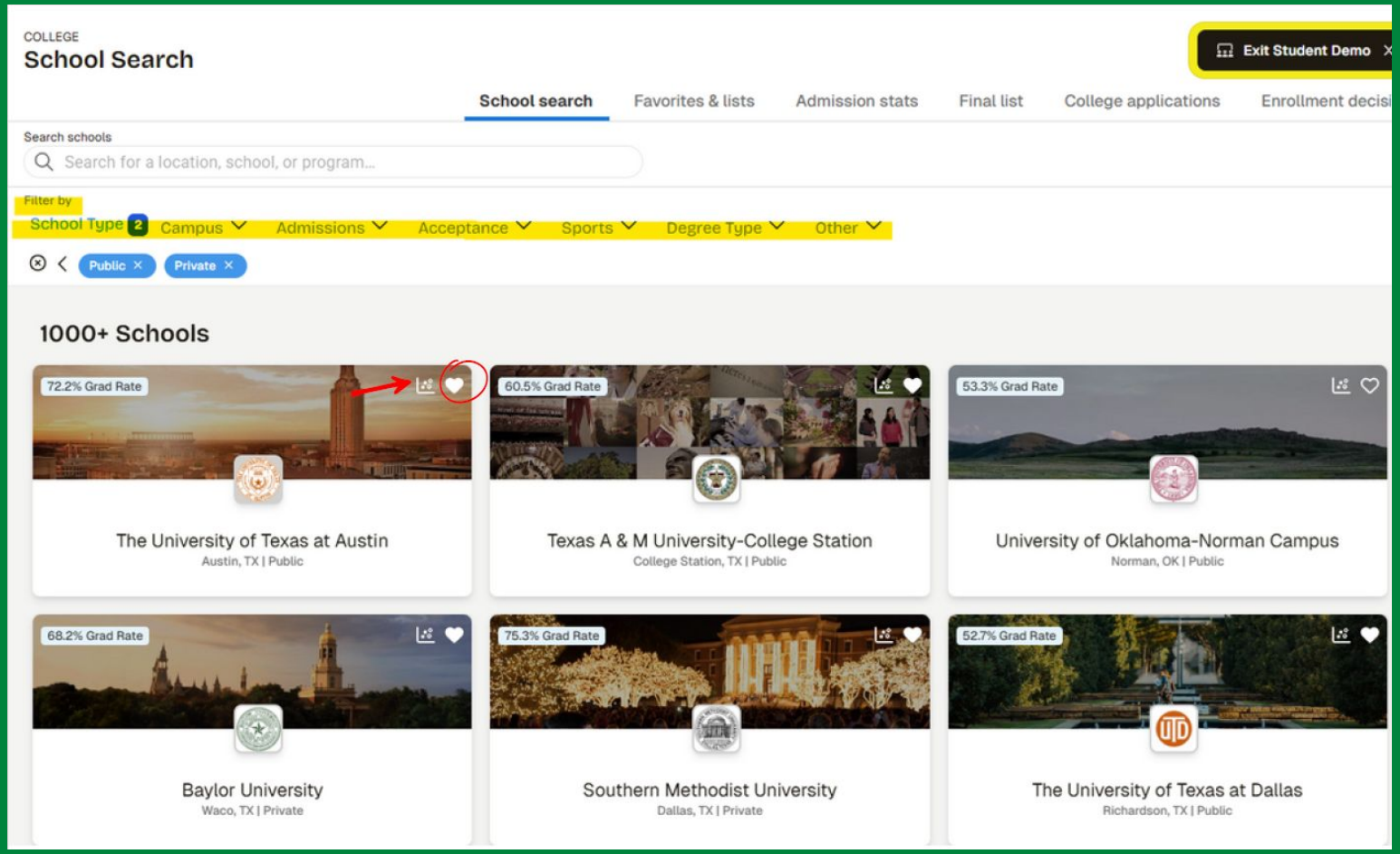
Campus Testing Coordinator: Ms. Charissa Solis; Charissa.Solis@southlakecarroll.edu

Junior - Boys State/Girls State

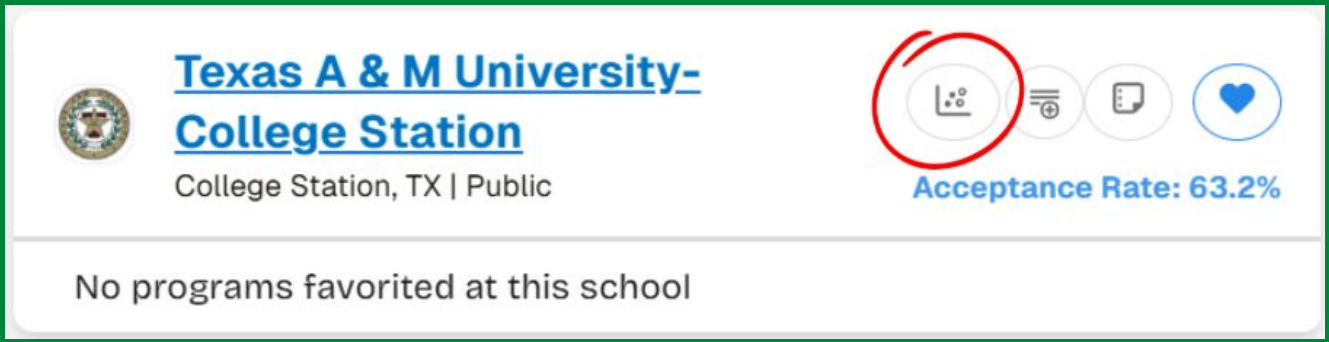
- Interested in Government and Leadership?
- When: Dates are typically announced in the spring.
- Duration: Approximately one week.
- Action Required: Contact your school counselor by November 1 to express your interest in being nominated to represent CSHS.
- Who Should Apply: Students interested in leadership, government, and learning more about civic responsibility.
- Reach out to your counselor by November 1 to learn more about the nomination process and how you can participate.

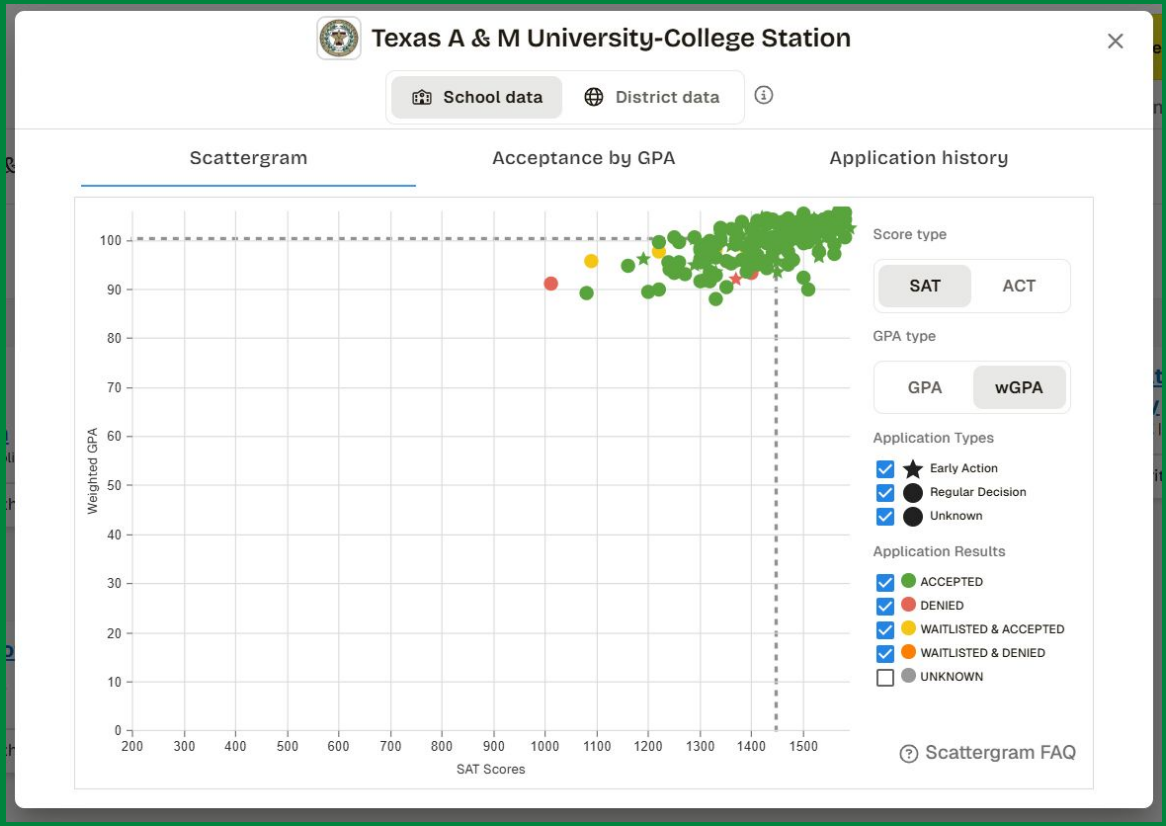
SchooLinks: School Search

- As you are searching for schools, you can add them to your Favorites and create Lists
- Utilize filters



SchooLinks: Scattergrams





SchooLinks

- School Search College > School Search
- Favorites and Lists (click heart on school searched)
- Find out about upcoming campus chats
  Engage > Events
- Career Interest/personality type inventories Explore > Assessments
- Scholarship search College > Scholarship Matching
- Opportunities Engage > Opportunity Board
- Community Service Engage > Experience Tracking

Tools & Resources

- Self-Discovery Assessments
- Resume Builder
- Colleges I'm Thinking About
- Campus Chats
- CSHS Website
- Junior Flyer
- Community Service
- College Application Guide
- College Application Process FAQs

College Application Information

- Timeline
- Common App, Apply Texas, etc.
- ACT/SAT/Test Optional
- Resume and Essays
- Letters of Recommendation
- Transcripts (will use August 2027 transcript)

Helpful Links:
CSHS Website
Junior Flyer

Important Dates

- College Fair - October 28 6pm - 8pm
- Junior Course Selection Meeting, spring
- College 101, spring
- Parent University, spring

Q&A



We look forward to working with you!

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Questions?