Welcome to Wilcox High School
Sophomore Parent Night



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Agenda

01
Graduation Requirements

02
Planning for the Future

03
Post-secondary Options

04
Questions & Discussion

Very Important Year!

Big decisions are made in Sophomore year:

01

Students begin to strategically select classes:

- See **School Catalog** for the Elective Options
- Junior year: course schedule can be customized to meet students' post-secondary goals

02

Decisions affect post-secondary options:

- Students can jump start their career with or ***without*** going to college

Updated Graduation Requirements



Subject Area	High School Requirement (Class of 2027 and forward)	U-C Requirement
English (B)	4 years 40 Credits	4 years 40 Credits
History (A)	10 World History 10 US History 5 Civics 5 Economics(G) 5 Ethnic Studies(G)	10 US History 10 other approved Social Studies class
Mathematics (C)	2 years 20 Credits Must pass Algebra 1	3 years 30 Credits
Science (D)	10 Life Science 10 Physical Science	10 Life Science 10 Physical Science
Foreign Language (E)	1 year 10 Credits	2 years 20 Credits
VAPA (F) and Practical Arts	10 VAPA 10 Practical Art	10 VAPA
Physical Education	2 years 20 Credits	None
Health	5 Credits	None
Elective	60 credits	1 year 10 credits of approved class
TOTALS	230	150

Academic Credit Overview

Graduation Requirements

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION

230 Credits

SCUSD Minimum Required (Total Potential: 240 units)

9th Grade
6 classes × 10 units = **60 units**

10th Grade
6 classes × 10 units = **60 units**

11th Grade
6 classes × 10 units = **60 units**

12th Grade
6 classes × 10 units = **60 units**

STUDENT PLANNING PORTALS

CaColleges & Aeries

By using these portals, students will be able to develop:

Graduation Plan

Track credit completion and high school diploma progress.

Career Plan

Explore career pathways and post-secondary opportunities.

College Plan

Map out higher education prerequisites and requirements.

Additional Graduation Requirements

Community Service

20 Hours
Total Requirement

Passion-Driven

Pick an activity that you are passionate about

Community Impact

Pick an activity that would benefit your community

Personal Growth

Use this opportunity to find something about yourself

Non Profit Organizations

Hours can only be done at a non-profit organization

Academic Recovery & Acceleration

Ways to Make Up Credits

Summer School

District summer courses structured for credit recovery and remediation.

Online Providers

Approved online programs including BYU, UC Scout, and SVHS.

Wilcox Personal Learning

Flexible personal learning program offered on-site at Wilcox High.

Mission CC on Campus

Mission Community College courses held directly on Wilcox Campus.

Community College

Off-campus community college classes taken specifically for remediation.

Alternative High Schools

Specialized options at New Valley High School and Wilson High School.

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Important University Policy

Universities **do not accept 'D' grades** in academic subjects. These courses must be repeated to earn a grade of **A, B, or C**.

ACADEMIC GUIDELINES & REQUIREMENTS

Dual Enrollment

1. Maximum 4 Outside Classes for HS Credit

Allowed only 4 outside classes total to count toward high school graduation credit.

2. Non-HS Credit Courses

Students can take as many community college/dual enrollment classes as they want, as long as it is not for high school credit and it is outside of the students school day

3. Transcript Approval Criteria

Dual Enrollment classes approved to go on the transcript are for credit recovery or foreign languages not offered by the district.

4. Out of District Form Required

An online out-of-district form must be completed for ALL outside courses, regardless of where the class is taken.

Student Counseling & Advising

10th Grade 1 - 1 Meetings

Transcript Review

Comprehensive evaluation of completed credits, current GPA, and graduation progress.

2-Year Course Planning

Strategic Academic Plan design for upcoming 11th and 12th grade course selection.

Career Assessments

Analysis of Career Interest Profiler, Personality Assessment, and skill strengths.

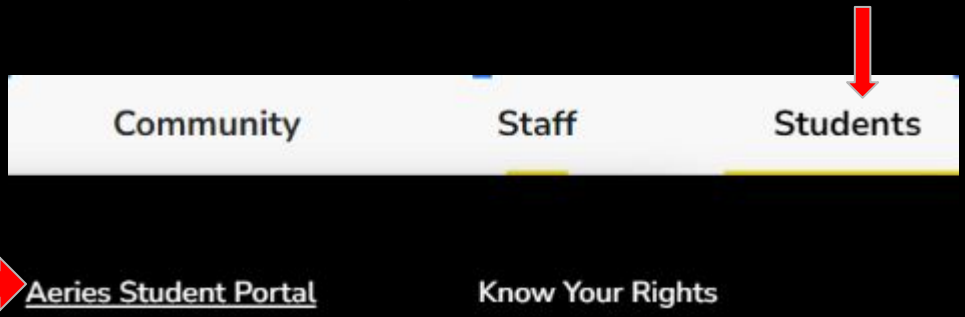
Post-Secondary Goals

Aligning high school milestones with college, vocational, and career pathways.

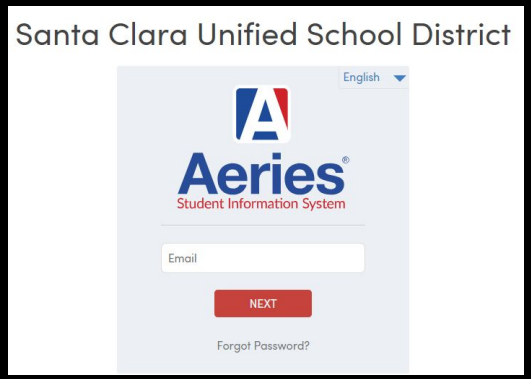
Aeries Portal

How to log in:

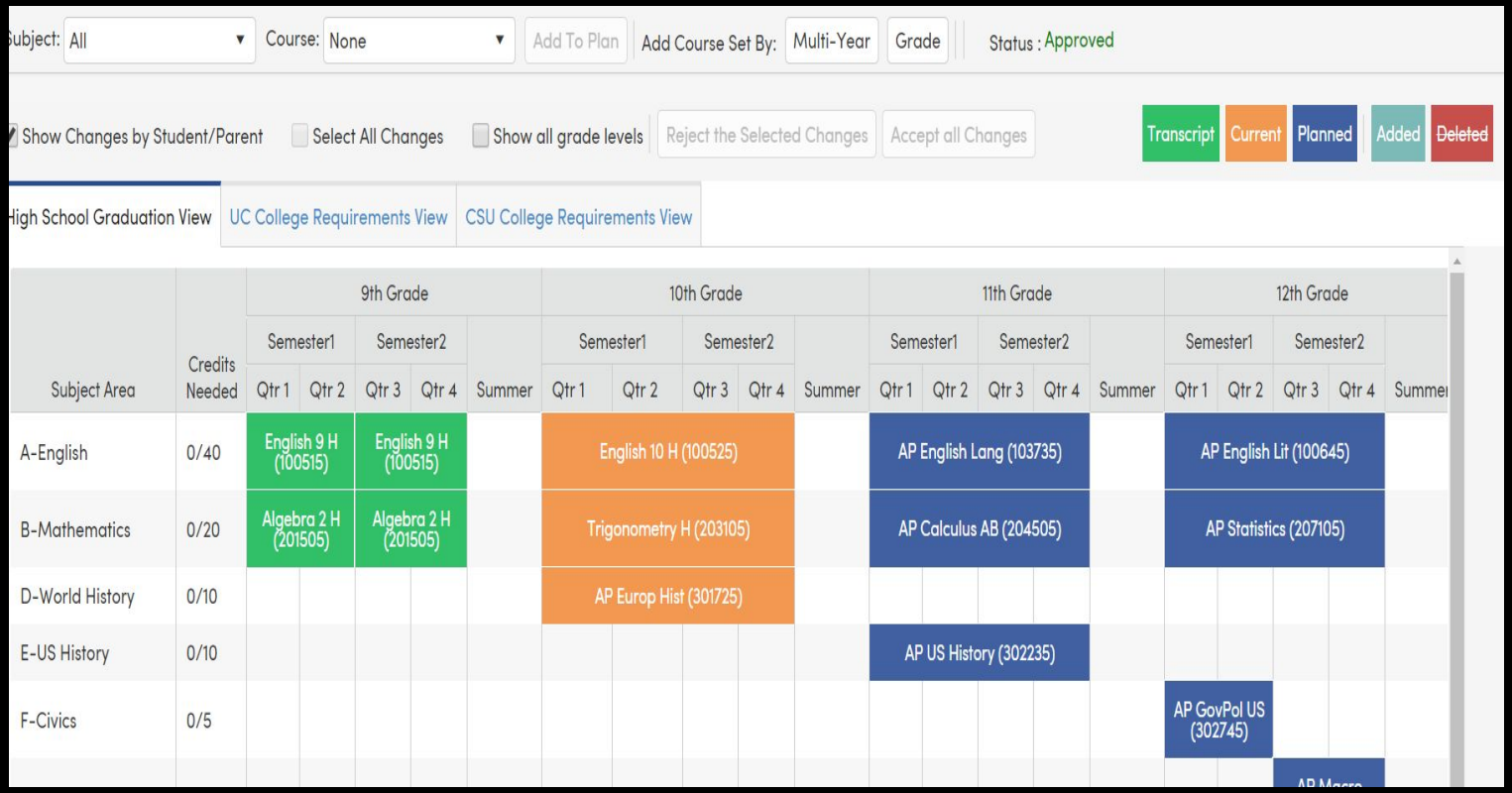
1. Go to Wilcox Homepage - Students - Aeries Student Portal



2. Use student SCUSD Google account to log-in:



Academic Planning in Aeries (sample)



Log-In / Register to CaliforniaColleges

01

Step 1: Go to Website & Sign In

Students should go to www.californiacolleges.edu and sign in using their district google account

02

Step 2: Account Registration (If Prompted)

If students receive an 'Invalid code', then they will need to Register their account.

03

Step 3: Register your account with school email

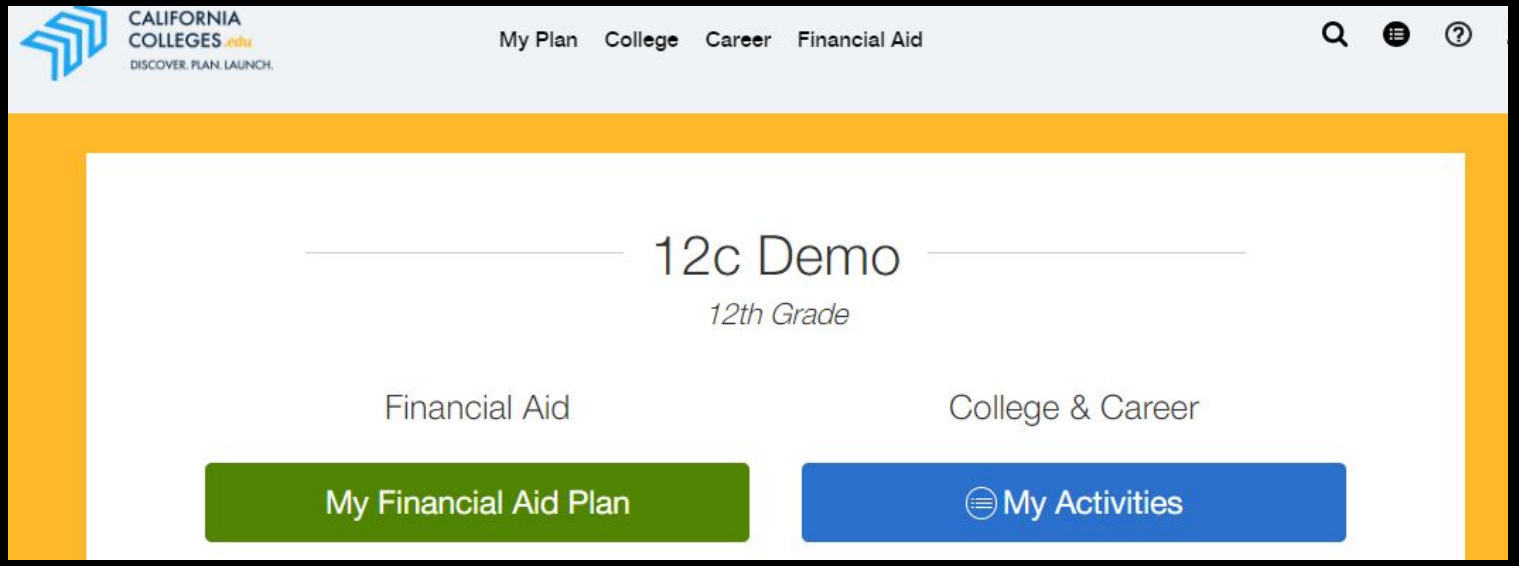
After the first time, students should sign in using their District Google/Gmail account

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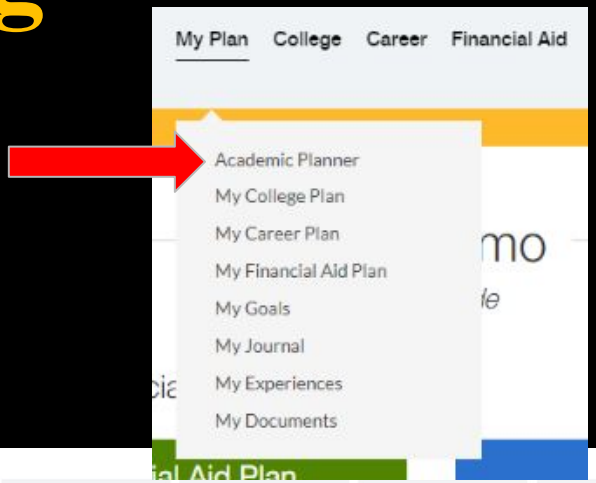
Step 4: Parent Registration

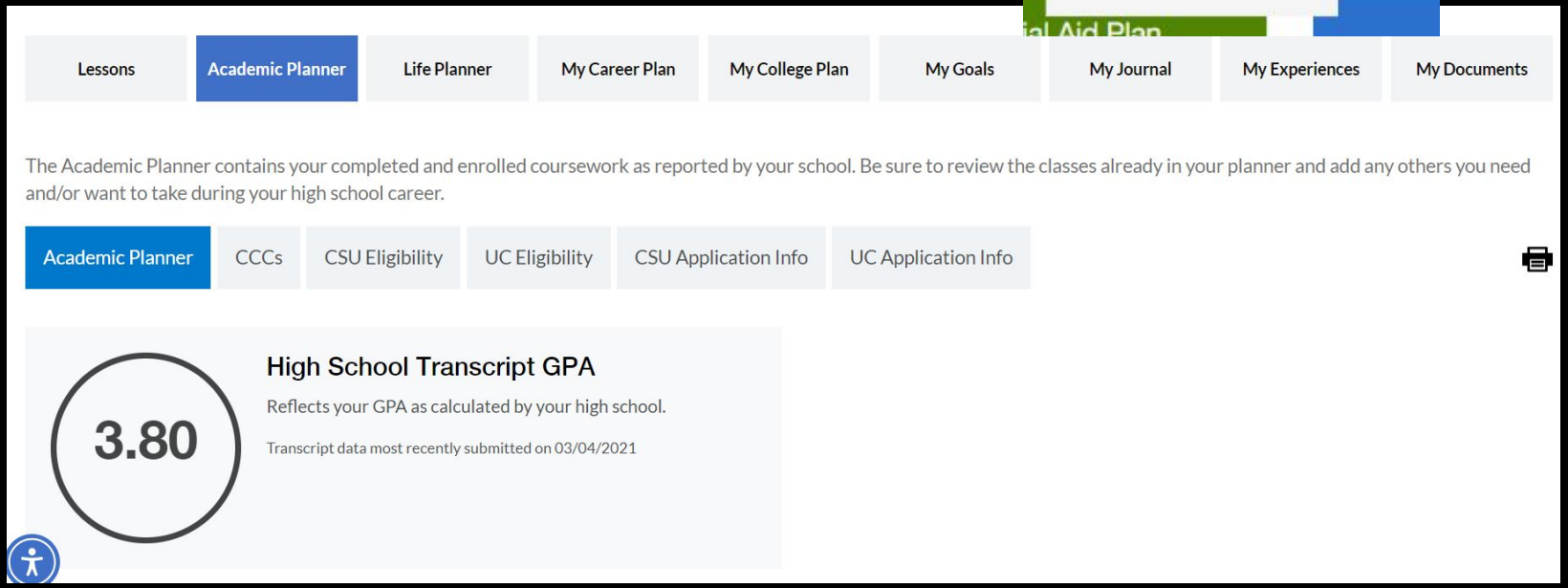
Parents can create an account. Go to "Register" then choose "parent" from the drop down menu.

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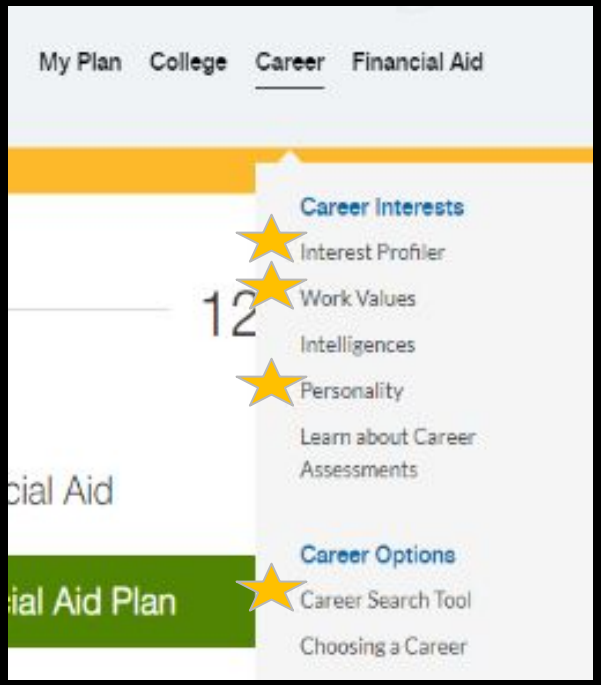
Academic Planning





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Career Planning/Assessments





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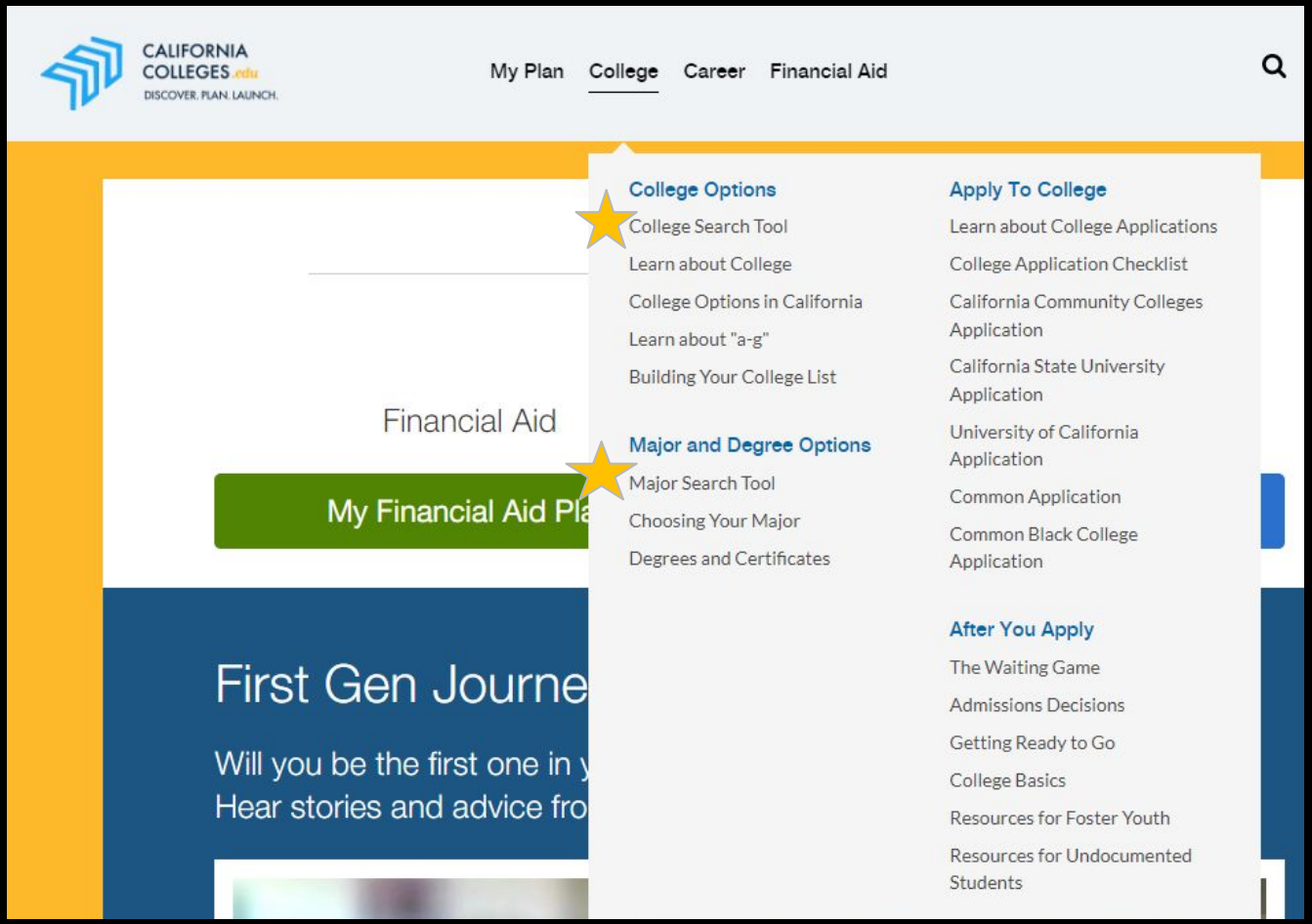
Self Exploration/Knowing Yourself

- Interests
- Personality
- Work Values



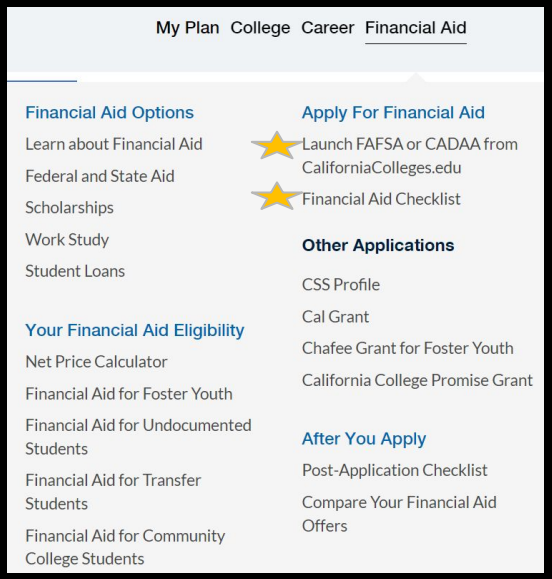
Know what you want and don't choose a career based on luck, accident or compromise!

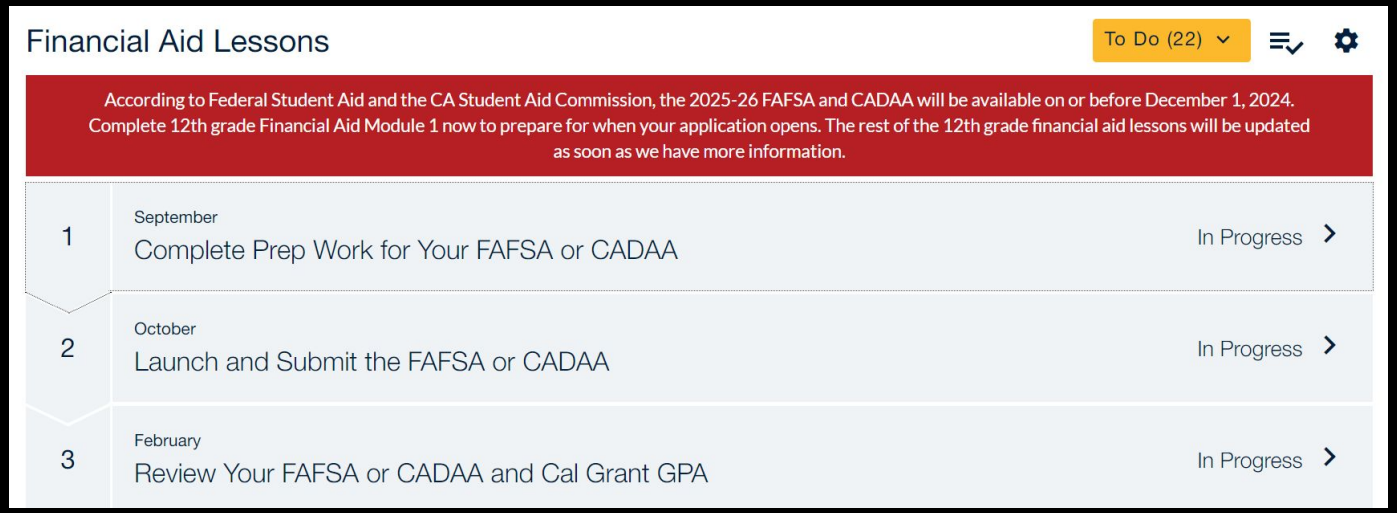
College Planning



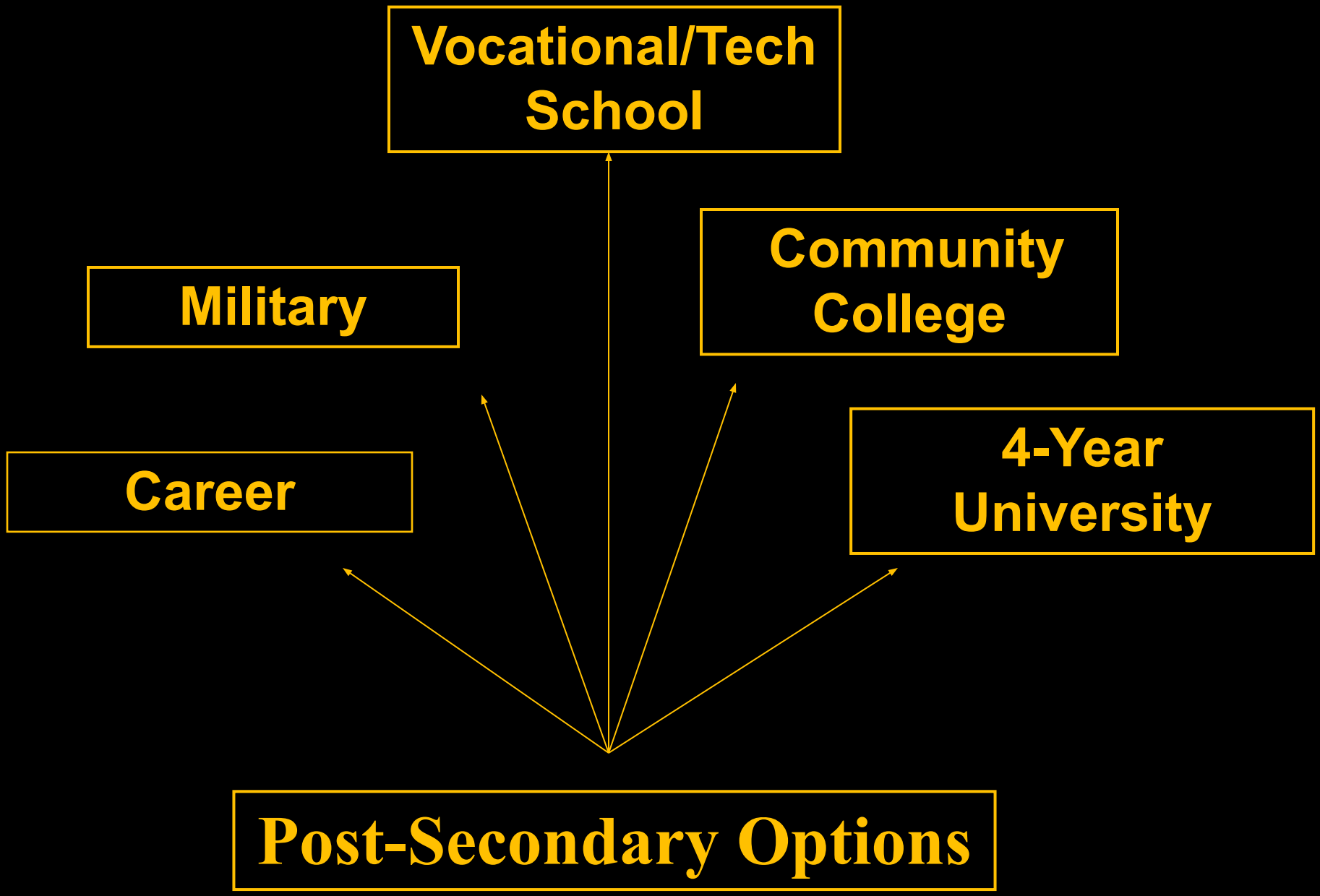
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College/Financial Aid





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Vocational/Tech School
Military
Community College
Career
4-Year University
Post-Secondary Options

For Four-Year College-Bound Students

SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS

A-G Course Requirements (No D's or F's)

- **A** History / Social Science 2 years
- **B** English 4 years
- **C** Mathematics 3 yrs req. / 4 recom.
- **D** Laboratory Science 2 yrs req. / 4 recom.
- **E** Language Other Than English 2 yrs req. / 3 recom.
- **F** Visual & Performing Arts 1 year
- **G** College Preparatory Elective 1 year

Extracurricular activities can support your applications



ACADEMIC STANDING

GPA Benchmark

Grade Point Average

Maintained throughout high school to meet university eligibility thresholds.



STANDARDIZED TESTING

SAT / ACT Scores

Optional Requirements

Currently optional for many colleges and universities. Check specific campus policies.

If Interested in Community College

REQUIREMENTS & OBJECTIVES

- Meet High School graduation requirements (No SAT or ACT needed)
- Goal: Transfer to a 4-year college or earn a Certification / 2-year Degree



ACADEMIC PATHWAYS

Key Requirements & Agreements

'Intro to Sociology' Course

Offering that is on Campus

TAG, TAA & TAP Agreements

Transfer Admission Guarantee programs securing your spot at 4-year universities.



BEST PRACTICES

Tips for Success

Declare a Major Early

Pick a Major during your first year of community college to stay on track.

Get Connected Early

Attend CC Orientation and participate in Summer Bridge Programs.

What is SVCTE?

SILICON VALLEY CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

A dedicated Vocational Center providing high-quality CTE courses for students to jump-start their future careers.

Free Attendance & Transport

100% free to attend with complimentary transportation to and from Wilcox.

Morning and Afternoon Classes

Convenient morning and afternoon schedule designed to fit into high school routines.

Credits & Field Trips

Earn 30 high school credits per year along with valuable field trip opportunities.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Diverse Technical Pathways

- Cyber Security & Network Defense
- Internet Engineering
- Engineering for Manufacturing Technology
- Forensic Science Investigation
- Mobile App Design
- Computer Coding & Software Development

CTE Courses at Wilcox HS

PURPOSE & OBJECTIVE

Career, academic, knowledge and skills necessary to become productive, contributing members of society.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Available Courses

- Financial Literacy
- Business Management
- Electrical Systems
- Engine Performance
- Small Engines
- Preventative Maintenance
- Engine Systems
- Chassis Systems
- Powertrain Systems
- Intro to Champs
- Champs 1 & 2
- Fashion Design









Military Opportunities

RECRUITER CONTACT

Connect and work closely with a military recruiter through the College and Career Center / Mrs. Aggarwal

PATHWAY OPTIONS

01

High School Graduation

Must graduate from High School prior to entering active service or specialized military training programs.

02

Service & Benefits

Serve now and receive full educational benefits and financial support for college following your period of service.

03

ROTC Program

ROTC Reserve Officer Training Corps Program available directly on college campuses while earning your degree.

STEPS to Success

S Seek answers & ask Questions (Be curious)

T Try something new

E Explore all different opportunities

P Pursue your Passion & interests

S Search & Research options (colleges, careers, trade, military)

"When you have information, you can make a choice. When you don't have information, your choices are made for you." – Bill Gates

QUESTIONS?


THANK
YOU !