2019-2020 JUNIOR YEAR PLANNING GUIDE & CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

AP Exam Registration

 Students taking an AP course during semester one (and plan to take the AP exam in May) must register for the exam via the College Board website in Sept/Oct.

SAT Test Date

o **October 5:** October SAT Test date offered at HHS. *Deadline to register is* **September 6!** (www.collegeboard.org/sat)

PSAT Testing

o Wednesday, October 16: All juniors will take the PSAT offered at Hempfield High School.

College Rep Visits

o **Throughout the year**: Reps from numerous schools will visit the guidance office throughout the semester to meet with students! Register in Naviance (https://student.naviance.com/hempfield).

Coffee with the Counselors

o September 18: 9-10:30 am: Topic-Planning out Junior Year

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

PSAT Scores

o PSAT/NMSQT score reports will be distributed around mid-December.

College Fair (@Conestoga Valley High School)

o November 4, 6:00-8:00pm

ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)

 December 5: Students interested in potential military enlistment as well as anyone looking for career guidance and feedback are encouraged to take the ASVAB. Sign up with the Counseling Office is required. (There is no obligation to the military to take the test.)

SAT Test Dates

- o November 2: November SAT Test Date at other area high schools. Deadline to register is October 3!
- December 7: December SAT Test Date at other area high schools. Deadline to register is November 8! (www.collegeboard.org/sat to register and look up testing locations)

CTC Visits

o Tours will be held during the school day for all students who would like to learn more about the offerings at the CTC. Students must sign up in advance and turn in a permission slip.

November 12: Brownstown Campus tour November 13: Mount Joy Campus tour November 14: Willow Street Campus tour

JANUARY

AP Exam Registration

 Students taking an AP course during semester two (and plan to take the AP exam in May) must register for the exam via the College Board website in Jan/Feb.

College Search Process

- o If you haven't done so already, now is the time to begin the college search process. Get familiar with Naviance, CollegeBoard, colleges' websites and other resources available to you.
- o Make a list of about 10-20 colleges to investigate.

SAT Testing and Preparation

- o Develop a plan for when you will take the SAT (or ACT). If you are even considering applying to colleges, you should take the SAT or ACT at least once before the end of the school year!
- Utilize your PSAT score results to determine if you plan to do any prep work. Access the Khan Academy website
 to access free practice tests and prep materials.

CTC Applications

o Approximately Early-January: applications will be due to the Guidance Office. Specific date TBD.

Winter Keystone Exams

 Keystone testing takes place in January. Any students who need to retake a Keystone Exam will be contacted directly. See your counselor if you have questions.

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FEBRUARY

Consider (and re-consider!) your choice of senior year classes. Contact colleges and technical schools on your
list to make sure you are selecting courses that are needed for acceptance. Make certain you have a competitive
schedule that will prepare you for college level work.

Prospective College Athletes

All student-athletes considering playing at the college level should register (online) with the NCAA Eligibility
Center website for initial academic eligibility review (www.eligibilitycenter.org). You must also have SAT scores
and a high school transcript sent to them at the end of 11th grade.

Coffee with the Counselors

o February 12: 8-9:30 am: Topic-Scheduling & Planning for Senior Year

MARCH/APRIL

SAT Test Date

 March 14: March SAT Test date offered at HHS. Deadline to register is February 14! (www.collegeboard.org/sat)

College Visits

 Plan when you can visit college campuses. Identify specific colleges you may want to visit. Call or go to their websites to find admissions events or set up visit. Make contact with colleges whose campuses you can't visit.

Future Planning Fair

- April TBD (3rd Period Flex)
- o All 11th grade students will go to the gym to interact with and gather information from representatives from a wide variety of colleges, military branches, and other postsecondary opportunities.

MAY/JUNE

SAT Test Dates

- o May 2: May SAT Test Date at other area high schools. Deadline to register is April 3!
- o June 6: June SAT Test date offered at HHS. Deadline to register is May 8! (www.collegeboard.org/sat)

AP Exam Schedule

o May 4 thru May 15 (based on specific exam)

Spring Keystone Exams

o Keystones take place in May. Any students who need to retake a Keystone Exam will be contacted directly.

Letters of Recommendation

o Talk with 2-3 teachers to request a letter of recommendation. Enter the requests into Naviance.

SUMMER BEFORE 12_{TH} GRADE

- o Narrow the list of your colleges you plan to apply to.
 - o Applications are typically available at some point over the summer (varies by college)
 - \circ Work on essays and gather other application requirements.
- o Consider volunteering, getting a job, and/or staying active in school and community activities.
- o Continue to visit college campuses.
 - Make an appointment with the admissions office, financial aid office, department chairs, coaches, music directors, etc.
- Update your resume in Naviance.
- o Work on financial aid research and scholarship searches.
 - o Check out Naviance, https://fafsa.ed.gov, www.educationplanner.org, and www.fastweb.com.

HELPFUL INFORMATION:

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