




COLLEGE & CAREER PLANNING

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE PARENT NIGHT 2016-2017

TODAY'S AGENDA

- 1. College + Career Advisor –**
Introduction and Role
 - 2. Preparation Suggestions for Freshmen –**
and looking ahead to Sophomore Year
 - 3. Preparation Suggestions for Sophomores –**
and looking ahead to Junior Year
 - 4. College + Career Planning -**
Resources for Everyone
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KWHS COLLEGE + CAREER COUNSELOR

OR COLLEGE ADVISOR OR C.A.P. (COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PLANNING) ADVISOR

- Provides assistance to KWHS students to prepare for admissions to colleges, universities, career technical schools, the military + other post-secondary education goals and career pathways
- Priority is the senior class, followed by juniors, and then underclassmen
- Available to all students during walk-in hours (no appointment needed): before school, after school + during lunch. *This is the best time for underclassmen to meet with the College + Career Counselor.*
- Will accept appointment requests according to priority + availability
- **Gavin Townsend, KWHS College + Career Counselor**
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305-293-1549 ext. 54307

COLLEGE + CAREER ADVISOR/COUNSELOR SUPPORT ACCORDING TO GRADE LEVEL

Seniors

work approx. 50% or more with grade-level
counselor, approx. 50% or more
with college advisor

Juniors

work approx. 80% grade-level
counselor, approx. 20% with
college advisor

Sophomores + Freshmen

work mostly with grade-level
counselor

**Your Grade-Level Counselor is and remains to be an important
connection and resource over your high school academic career –
*from Day 1 Freshman Year to your last day Senior Year!***

COLLEGE + CAREER ADVISOR SERVICES ACCORDING TO GRADE LEVEL

Freshman – Sophomore Year: Community Service Forms Collection, Faculty-Nominated Recognitions + Awards, College + Career Night, ConchCareers Series, Other Opportunities.

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Junior Year: Community Service Forms Collection, Faculty-Nominated Recognitions + Awards, College + Career Night, ConchCareers Series, Other Opportunities, College + Career Planning Classroom Presentations with the Grade-Level Counselor, Quick 1 on 1 meetings with Each Junior, Parent Night (1st + 2nd Semester), Resume Workshops, ACT/SAT Registration Events, ConchCareers Series, College + Career Exploration through ASVAB + CareerShines

COLLEGE + CAREER ADVISOR SERVICES ACCORDING TO GRADE LEVEL

Senior Year: Community Service Forms Collection, Faculty-Nominated Recognitions + Awards, College + Career Night, ConchCareers Series, Other Opportunities, College + Career Planning Classroom Presentations with the Grade-Level Counselor, Quick 1 on 1 meetings with Each Junior, Parent Night (1st + 2nd Semester), Resume Workshops, ACT/SAT Registration Events, ConchCareers Series, College + Career Exploration through ASVAB + CareerShines, 4-Year College Admissions, Financial Aid Process, + Some National/Institutional Scholarships (Fall), Military Enlistment, College Commitments, 2-Year College + Technical School Admissions, Local Scholarships (Spring)

SUGGESTIONS FOR FRESHMEN TO PREPARE NOW

1. Set your standard NOW
2. Advocate for yourself
3. Get involved
4. Explore careers
5. Take the PSAT seriously
6. Visit colleges
7. Participate in community service
8. Start to develop a resume/list of accomplishments
9. Get to know Mrs. Townsend – you'll be working with her more junior year
10. Familiarize yourself with available resources, especially the College + Career Planning webpage

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOPHOMORES TO PREPARE NOW

1. Achieve your best academic performance – rigorous + relevant but realistic
2. Continue to advocate for yourself
3. Continue to explore careers – Career Shines, ASVAB junior year, etc.
4. Take the PSAT seriously and consider taking the ASVAB junior year
5. Visit universities/colleges/schools of all kinds or do online research + virtual tours
6. Plan next year's academic, sports, + activities schedule to support your college + career goals
7. Participate in community service – the bulk of required community service for scholarships (Bright Futures) and college admissions should ideally be completed and documentation submitted by the end of junior year
8. Start to develop a resume – attend a Resume Boot Camp Junior Year
9. Get to know Mrs. Townsend – you'll be working with her more junior year
10. Familiarize yourself with available resources, especially the College + Career Planning webpage. There are no secrets in this process! It's not too early to start looking to see what the seniors are doing now in order to know what's coming next year – look at senior resources online.

COLLEGE + CAREER PLANNING RESOURCES FOR EVERYONE

- **KWHS Newsletter, Website + Facebook**
- **KWHS College + Career Planning Webpage**
 - Individual Class Folders (on the webpage)
 - Variety of Resources + Guides Posted
 - Important Events, Dates, Deadlines + Opportunities Posted and Regularly Updated
- **Class-Specific Lists** (distributed during classrooms visits and available today)
- **Continuous work with Grade-Level Counselor** (graduation requirements, academic advisement, scheduling, credit tracking, problem-solving, etc.)
- **Guidance** (Grade-Level Counselor +/- College Advisor) **Classroom Visits, Meetings, Appointments, + Parent Nights**
- **KWHS College + Career Planning Events**

General Questions?

Please save specific questions unique to you/your child for private discussions with guidance counselors and/or the college advisor.