

Senior Parent Night September 2020

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Agenda

- ▶ Overview of the Counseling Dept.
- ▶ College Search
- ▶ Resources
- ▶ Scholarships
- ▶ Financial Aid/ FAFSA resources

Counseling's virtual office

- ▶ Visit our website
- ▶ Bitmoji classroom
- ▶ Senior Meetings

Senior meetings...

- ▶ Follow-up from Junior meetings
- ▶ Review transcripts
- ▶ Resources available to them in our “Classroom”
- ▶ Access to planning sheets, comparison sheets, and other resources

Resources to help with the college search

► College Search

Naviance

Big Future (<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>)

Virtual Tours/Visits

Strive Scan – www.strivescan.com/virtual

Chicago Area Regional Representatives (CARR) –

will be doing College lunch visits through Oct. 22

Use this link to sign up <https://form.jotform.com/202163660325043>

College Visits

Campus Tours <https://campustours.com/>

[Campus Reel https://www.campusreel.org/](https://www.campusreel.org/)

Testing

- ▶ Many schools have become test optional for 2020-2021
- ▶ The State of Illinois is sponsoring an SAT test on Oct. 14
- ▶ Send scores directly from Collegeboard.org
- ▶ Test centers in Illinois are currently closed. Check directly with websites for more information.

ACT (www.act.org)

SAT (www.sat.collegeboard.org)



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Other options

Military

Contact your local recruiter

Prepare for the ASVAB

(<https://www.officialasvab.com/applicants/prepare/>)

ASVAB practice

<https://asvabpracticetestonline.com/>

Other options

Trades

www.accreditedschoolsonline.org/vocationaltrade-school

-post-secondary training

Apprentice (apprenticeship.gov)

Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc. www.abc.org

Career.... <http://bit.ly/2JnBYwr>

WorkNet DuPage <http://www.worknetdupage.org>



The Scholarship Search...

Where to look...

- ▣ Naviance
- ▣ College financial aid office
- ▣ Parent's Employer
- ▣ Organizations, businesses, community group newsletters
- ▣ Internet – fastweb.com
cappex.com/scholarship
- ▣ HigherEd Net by ISAC
- ▣ CHS 94
 - website
 - SENIOR NEWS
 - announcements
- ▣ College/Career Center
 - scholarship drawer
 - internet sites
- ▣ Raise me -microscholarships

Types of scholarships...

- ▣ Academic
- ▣ Athletic
- ▣ Specific career area
 - health field
 - agriculture
 - teaching
- ▣ Community service
- ▣ Leadership
- ▣ Specific attribute
 - left handed
 - tall
- ▣ National
- ▣ State
- ▣ Regional
- ▣ Local
- ▣ Civic Groups
- ▣ Businesses
- ▣ Colleges
- ▣ Foundations

Words to the wise...

- ▣ Apply for as many as possible
- ▣ Be persistent - many local scholarships are not awarded until the spring - DON'T GIVE UP!
- ▣ Don't forget - several small scholarships can add up!
- ▣ Make a scholarship file
- ▣ Keep a copy of everything you send out
- ▣ Pay close attention to deadlines and specific requirements

Financial Aid

Opens up Oct. 1

FAFSA presentation by Paul Daly on Sept. 16 at 7pm

Zoom Meeting id 843 5496 0491

Passcode 544495

FAFSA workshop done virtually this fall