

CCHS COUNSELING NEWSLETTER



At CCHS, the Counseling Department exists to support the holistic growth and development of all students, so that they are prepared and inspired to be a light in their future communities.

COLLEGE PLANNING REMINDERS:

Seniors:

- Work on fine-tuning their Common Application for submission(s). Do not forget to have multiple eyes read the essay. The Early Action deadline is November 1st, so shoot for that date to submit the Common Application to colleges!
- Fill out the FAFSA, which opens October 1st! This will be a piece to their financial aid award letter, which will come from colleges students are accepted to.
- Start looking at individual scholarship opportunities from your college list and from the local scholarship database on Naviance.

Juniors:

- Use the SuperMatch feature on Naviance to start building a list of colleges you might be interested in.
- Start practicing for the ACT using the free ACT prep course available to you on Naviance. Scoring well on the ACT will help open doors for scholarships and college admissions opportunities as a senior.
- Do a job shadow in a career field you are interested in!

NAVIANCE UPDATES

All students are in the swing of using Naviance for college and career readiness! Students are tracking their progress in the following areas:

- Inputting activities to build their college-readiness profile
- Inputting service hours
- Researching and applying for college & career pathways
- ACT prep

All parents have been sent an email invitation to set up a parent account, which allows read-only access to student accounts. (If you have not received one, please reach out Mrs. Rodrigue)

THIS MONTH IN COUNSELING LESSONS:

- **Freshmen** have been engaged in our brand-new freshman seminar curriculum! Throughout the first month, all freshmen have received lessons targeting the following skills:
 - Organization and using a planner
 - Note-taking using Cornell-style notes
 - Defining high-school leadership
 - Communicating with teachers
 - Discussions about effective v. ineffective usage of AI
- **Sophomores** have started working through several of the career interest inventories on Naviance, which help students evaluate what their strengths are and what they are looking for in a work environment. This will be important knowledge as we work to build a career interest list.
- **Juniors** are digging deep into college searching. They learned about the different consideration factors when choosing a good-fit college, identified questions to ask college recruiters when on visits, and started using the Super Match tool on Naviance to build a working college list.
- **Seniors** are in the thick of application season! All seniors have met individually with Mrs. Rodrigue to discuss their applications, organize/manage deadlines, and request letters of recommendation. Seniors discussed the scholarship market and how to use the tools on Naviance to find and apply for scholarships that will help support their future plans.