

# College and Career Center Senior Newsletter



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### Celebrate, you're a senior!

While this is an unprecedented senior year of high school, there are still some "normal" things that will happen. Very soon, you will need to be thinking about your future and planning for where your future path will take you. Will you head to college, join the military, study for a trade, or take a gap year? Everyone is unique and your path should be designed to fit your individual needs and personality. The College and Career staff is here to help you. We look forward to meeting you and help guide your plan.

### **Individualized Meetings for Seniors**

Whether you have it all figured out or have many questions and don't know where to start, we like to meet with every senior. We will identify your post high school plan and see if we can be of assistance. We have access to a variety of resources and can share information with you or suggest contacts to help you navigate your path. You will receive an email with a google form soon to help us plan your meeting with us. And, if you don't want to wait for us to contact you, feel free to reach out to us now. Our contact information is listed below.



#### **Managing the College Process**

College application deadlines, college essays, financial aid, and scholarships – it can feel so daunting to some. We are here to help you navigate the best plan for you and provide individualized assistance. Our next newsletter is full of information for those selecting the college path. Be looking for it soon.

## Help - I don't know what career to choose!!!

First take a deep breath and know it's ok to be unsure of the exact path you want to pursue. There are so many career choices and finding the right one can take time and research. We encourage students to take the Naviance Career Cluster survey. The survey considers your interests and suggests possible career choices for you. We suggest meeting with us to review the results and let us help you explore your options. Sometimes, we can connect with you an industry professional to give insight into a specific career. Hopefully, together we can find a career you will enjoy, something you will approach with a smile on your face for the rest of your life.

# What if College isn't for me?

There are options for those who don't want to continue their education and attend college. We can connect you with a variety of trades. Electricians, beauticians, massage therapists, heavy equipment operators, HVAC installers, and the military are all options for those who don't want to go to college at this point. We also help students with resumes and interview skills if you wish to enter the work force directly after high school.

#### **TuHS College and Career Center Resources**

- College Information
- Scholarship and Financial Aid Information
- Support for Naviance
- Military Information
- Trades Information
- College Representatives Visits (currently virtual)
- Career Guidance
- Local Jobs
- Volunteer Opportunities

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