



WELCOME Parents

Sophomore Parent Presentation

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Overview

- High School Experience/Planning
- Career Cruising
- ASVAB



Sophomore Year

- Start out strong
- Flex time
- Career Cruising
- Scheduling for Junior Year
- Final Exams/Semester Grades
 - 40/40/20
 - GPA & Class Rank
- Aspire Testing
- Forward Testing
- AP Testing
- Final Exams



Plans for Beyond High School

Four Year College Core Academic Requirements

- ❑ 4 years of English
- ❑ 3 years of Math
 - To include Algebra and Geometry and 1 beyond
- ❑ 3 years of Science
 - To include General/Physical/Earth Science, Biology and Chemistry
- ❑ 3 years of Social Studies
 - To include U.S. History and World History and elective Social Studies

Other GHS requirements

Course Selection for Junior Year

- English 1 credit
- Social Studies-Economics and US History since 1945
- Math-1 credit advanced level math
- Science-1 credit advanced level science
- Physical Ed-0.5 credit EITHER junior or senior year
- Elective credits

Checklist for Parents

- ✓ Encourage your child to take challenging high school courses
- ✓ Talk to your child about careers, colleges and life after high school
- ✓ Establish a regular study time each day
- ✓ Try to provide a good, quiet study setting
- ✓ Discourage phone calls, visitors, TV and other distractions during study time
- ✓ Talk to your child about what he/she is learning. Ask questions. Listen to the answers.

Tips for a collegiate future

Sophomore Year

- ❑ Maintain good grades
- ❑ Begin focusing on academic strengths
- ❑ Begin/continue research into possible career paths
- ❑ Meet with School Counselor as needed
- ❑ Get involved in Extra-Curricular activities & community service

Tips for a collegiate future

Junior Year

- Maintain good grades
- Take more classes according to your interests
- Consider PSAT during the first semester
- Individual parent/student meeting with counselor
- Take the ACT during second semester
- Keep record of all activities for college application
- Start looking at and visiting colleges
- Research grade and class requirements
- Begin determining a specific occupation

Tips for a collegiate future

Senior Year

- ❑ Maintain good grades for scholarships
- ❑ Retake the ACT (September) if you think you can improve your score
- ❑ Apply to colleges before November holidays
- ❑ Apply for scholarships
- ❑ Apply for financial aid (Oct. 1)
- ❑ Determine your college as soon as possible after acceptance



Your Student's High School Transcript

- Legal Document
- Individual meetings throughout years focus on academics and strengthening the transcript
- Transcript shows: Cumulative GPA, Class Rank and lists courses with semester grades
- This is required with college applications and/or scholarships

Career Cruising

- www.careercruising.com
- Careers
- Major Selection
- Academic Planning
- College Choice
- Financial Aid
- Employment

- Your student has an individual account and can share access to you.



College Research Resources

- Career Cruising: www.careercruising.com
- UW System: www.uwhelp.wisconsin.edu
- Wisconsin Private Colleges: www.privatecolleges-wisc.org
- College Board: www.collegeboard.com
- Know How 2 Go: www.knowhow2gowisconsin.org
- Sign up to meet with college representatives that come to GHS
- Campus tours
- College Fairs-Wisconsin Education Fair, National College Fair

ASVAB

Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery

- A comprehensive academic skills assessment
- Career focused interpretation
- Completely voluntary
- Does not commit student to the military or signal specific interest



Thank You For Coming!!!



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