

**WGHS COLLEGE AND CAREERS CENTER
EVENTS CALENDAR AUGUST 2009 TO JANUARY 2010**

Note: Spanish Translation provided at all evening events

SENIORS COLLEGE APPLICATION ESSAY/SENIOR RESUME WORKSHOP

Tuesday/Wednesday August 25th/26th, 2009

College and Careers Center

All Seniors will attend this workshop on the College Application Essay and Senior Resume during their English classes. We will take a detailed look at the essay prompts, the dos and don'ts of college application essay writing, and what the individual colleges look for in an application essay. The workshop will also cover completion of the Senior Resume form, required for recommendation letters and scholarship nominations.

SENIOR PARENT EVENING: COLLEGE READINESS

Thursday, August 27th, 2009

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

College and Career Center

This information evening will give you vital information on what students should be doing now to be ready for the Fall college application process. We will take a detailed look at college application requirements, review the support that the College and Career Center offers, and discuss scholarships and financial aid.

MOCK SAT TEST FOR SENIORS, JUNIORS AND SOPHOMORES

Saturday, August 29th, 2009

8:45 am to 1:00 pm

Library

This full-length, Mock SAT Test, proctored by Revolution Test Prep. gives the opportunity to find out areas of strength and weakness on college admission exams. For Seniors, it is a great way to prepare for Fall 2009 SAT tests. Juniors and Sophomores can use this opportunity to prepare for the PSAT. As a fundraiser for WGHS, a donation of \$10 will be used to fund WGHS scholarships for college-bound Seniors. Students will receive an online score report including a detailed performance analysis, plus written feedback on the essay.

WGHS ALUMNI COLLEGE PANEL

Wednesday, September 2nd, 2009

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm & repeated 2:00pm to 3:00 pm

College and Careers Center

Seniors will be invited to participate in a panel discussion with WGHS alumni, attending a variety of colleges (Private, UC, CSU and Community College). Topics will include the college application process, post-admission activities, financing college, freshman college experiences, and tips on how to be successful in college.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT *Thursday, September 3rd, 2009*

The College and Careers Center will be open to parents. Please drop by to take a look at the College and Career Center, and ask any questions you may have.

JUNIOR PARENT EVENING: GEARING UP FOR COLLEGE

Thursday, September 10th, 2009

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

College and Careers Center

The Junior Year is the key to being well prepared for next year's college application process. review the support and activities that the College and Careers Center offers to all Juniors, and focus in particular on the process of selecting college options, We will also discuss the PSAT, SAT, and ACT tests, the test registration process, what tests to take and when to take them, and test preparation options.

SOPHOMORE PARENT EVENING: PSAT, SAT, AND COLLEGE PREPARATION

Thursday, September 24th, 2009

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

College & Careers Center

This information evening will address the academic requirements that students need to fulfill to be eligible for the California University systems. We will also discuss the PSAT test, and test preparation options.

FRESHMAN PARENT EVENING: START NOW! MAKING COLLEGE PLANS

Thursday October 1st, 2009

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

College and Careers Center

This evening offers the opportunity to review the course requirements for graduation from high school and for eligibility to the California University systems. We will review the career/college exploration programs that all Freshmen will participate in, and discuss the support the College and Careers Center offers to Freshman students

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SENIORS UC AND CSU APPLICATION WORKSHOPS

Every Tuesday and Thursday from October 1st to November 24th, 2009

Period 1 and Period 6 and after school

College and Careers Center

Small group sessions for students applying to colleges in the University of California and California State University systems, going step-by-step through the online application forms.

*College advising and application assistance will also be available on an individual basis after school
from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm from August 19th to November 24th.*

JUNIORS AND SOPHOMORES PSAT TEST DATE

Wednesday, October 14th, 2009

Juniors test fees are paid for by SJUSD. Sophomores will need to sign up during the week of September 21st to September 25th, and pay a \$15 fee.

SENIORS COLLEGE APPLICATION WRAP-UP DROP-IN CLINIC

Tuesday, November 24th, 2009

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

College and Careers Center

Need help with the final details on your college application? Drop in and get it!

SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS "GETTING BACK ON TRACK"

Wednesday, December 2nd, 2009

Little Theater

An opportunity for students needing to make up credits necessary for high school graduation to explore the options open to them. Representatives from Community Colleges, CCOC and PASS will be available to help students select courses and programs to make up any necessary courses.

SENIORS FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIP AWARENESS WORKSHOP

Thursday/Friday, December 3rd/4th, 2009

College & Careers Center

Senior English classes will take part in this workshop and look at: Financial Aid and how to apply; types of scholarships; where to find scholarship information; how to get letters of recommendation; the Dos and Don'ts of writing a scholarship essay; and avoiding scholarship scams.

SENIORS FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Tuesday, January 19th, 2010

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Library/Media Center

For families of Seniors, a workshop to help fill out the FAFSA forms and get all your questions answered. Our Financial Aid Experts will take you line-by-line through the FAFSA form and application process.

PSAT SCORE READING AND PATHS TO IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOPS

Thursday, January 7th/Friday, January 8th, 2010

College and Careers Center

All Juniors (and all Sophomores who took the PSAT) will attend this workshop in the College and Careers Center through their English classes. Students will be taught how to read their PSAT score reports, and explore the facilities available to them to improve their SAT scores.

INDIVIDUAL COLLEGE PREPARATION SESSIONS

Seniors may make appointments for individual college preparation assistance. Sessions will be offered at 2:30 pm from Monday - Thursday during the months of September, October, November, and December. The same service will be offered for Juniors for the months of January, February, March, April, and May.

COLLEGE VISITS TO WGHS

Many colleges, including UC, CSU, out-of-state, private, vocational and community colleges, visit WGHS throughout the year. Visits include information tables during lunch break, presentations, and meetings with individual students. Full details are included in the morning announcements.