

WGHS COLLEGE AND CAREERS CENTER EVENTS CALENDAR AUGUST 2008 TO JANUARY 2009

SENIORS COLLEGE APPLICATION ESSAY/SENIOR RESUME WORKSHOP

Tuesday/Wednesday September 2nd/3rd, 2008

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, September 4th, 2008 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.

JUNIOR PARENT EVENING: GEARING UP FOR COLLEGE

Monday, September 8th, 2007 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.

WGHS ALUMNI COLLEGE PANEL

Wednesday, September 10th, 2008

1:00pm to 2:00 pm

College and Careers Center

Seniors may sign up 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.

FRESHMAN ACADEMIC PLANNING AND CAREER RESEARCH CLASSES

Monday, September 15th through to Friday, September 26th, 2008

All Freshmen will participate in a week-long program of academic planning and goal setting through their Social Studies Classes. Students will use a variety of online Career Exploration Programs, and complete a research project on a career of their choice.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Thursday, September 18th, 2008

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.

SOPHOMORE PARENT EVENING: PSAT, SAT, AND COLLEGE PREPARATION

Thursday, September 25th, 2008 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 2nd, 2008

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 29th, 2008

Period 1 and Period 6

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 September 2nd to November 30th.

JUNIORS AND SOPHOMORES PSAT TEST DATE

Wednesday, October 15th, 2008

Juniors test fees are paid for by SJUSD. Sophomores will need to sign up during the week of September 24th to September 28th, and pay a \$15 fee.

SENIORS COLLEGE APPLICATION WRAP-UP DROP-IN CLINIC

Friday, November 21st, 2008

9:00 am to 2:00 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"

Tuesday, December 2nd, 2008

8:00 am to 2:00 pm

College and Careers Center

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 4th/5th, 2008

College & Careers Center

Financial Aid and Scholarships are vital to fund your time in college. 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 6th, 2009

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Library/Media Center

For families of Seniors, this is a hands-on workshop to help you 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. The Workshop will be offered in English and in Spanish.

PSAT SCORE READING AND PATHS TO IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOPS

Thursday, January 8th/Friday, January 9th, 2008

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 a reservation for individual college preparation help in the College and Careers Center. 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.

Note: Spanish Translation will be available at all evening events. The Financial Aid Night will include two separate Workshops, one in English and one in Spanish.