



Class of 2024 Counseling Newsletter

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to SENIOR YEAR! The last three years have flown by. There is no doubt that this year will as well! There will be a lot of information to keep track of. We encourage you to stay organized and ask for assistance when you have questions. We're looking forward to a fun but busy senior year! We will have an intern in the office this year: Ms. Celestine Henry. She will be a helpful resource for students. Please introduce yourself when you see her!

Mrs. Hulbert and Mrs. Williams

Where are you in the application process?

At this point students should have their **Common App** account set up! Students should be working on their applications.

We encourage students to have all applications completed before the holiday break in December. We will **NOT** be submitting applications during the holiday. Make note of any January 1 deadlines!

If you are applying to a school that is NOT on the Common App, you will need to let your counselor know. Make sure that it is on your list in Naviance as well.

Please Note: Your email address will become your username and the Common App's primary method of sending updates and reminders so make sure that you provide an email **that you check on a regular basis.**



KHS College and Career Planning Guide

Follow this QR code to the KHS College and Career Planning Guide! It will answer many questions you might have as you move through senior year!

Upcoming Events

October 16

5:30PM – Financial Aid
Workshop – **room E015A**

6:30PM - College Fair at KHS
Field House

October 17 and 19

SUNY Ulster Instant Admissions
at KHS – per. 4-9 **S214B**

October 26

SAT Schoolday at KHS – ONLY
FALL SAT given at KHS

October 27

SUNY Columbia-Green
Instant Admissions at KHS –
per. 4 - 9**S214B**

October 30

SUNY Dutchess Instant
Admissions at KHS – per. 4 – 9
S214B

November 1

NYS Tuition Assistance
Application opens -
www.hesc.ny.gov

November 4

SAT – at Rondout HS, Ellenville
HS, Wappingers HS – register
at www.collegeboard.com

Naviance Student and Senior Year

Students should ensure their Naviance list of “**Colleges I am Applying To**” stays accurate.

Letters of Recommendation

Students will request letters of recommendation from teachers via Naviance Student. Students should have a conversation with teachers in advance of sending the request. We encourage students to give teachers at least **two weeks** to complete a letter. Keep in mind that teachers are receiving requests from multiple students.

FAFSA/Financial Aid

The FAFSA is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. It will open online in December. This information will be relevant to **every** student completing the FAFSA. ALL college bound students should complete a FAFSA, regardless of whether you think you might qualify for aid or not. It can seem overwhelming, take it one step at a time!

DEADLINES!

Senior year moves quickly. The fall can be an overwhelming time for students and families. We recommend keeping deadlines on a calendar that is easy to access. Make note of application deadlines **and** financial aid deadlines. Application deadlines indicate when the student must have **their** portion of the application submitted. Transcripts and supporting documentation will follow once the student SUBMITS their application. Staying organized is one of the best ways to reduce the stress of this process and ensure that everything is completed on time.

Student Responsibilities

Students are responsible for notifying their counselors of **any** changes or updates regarding their application submissions. Students oversee their individual application process. We are here to assist and ensure that transcripts are delivered in a timely fashion. If students have questions at any time they should make an appointment with their counselor.

SUNY FREE APPLICATION WEEKS!

Beginning **Monday, October 16th**, and ending **Sunday, October 29th**, students can apply to up to **five** SUNY campuses with no application fee! This includes all campuses, no matter which application vehicle the student uses. Details are available here: www.suny.edu/apply

Important Websites

Common Application

www.commonapp.org

FAFSA

www.fafsa.gov

HESC – Paying for College

www.hesc.ny.gov

College Board - SAT

www.collegeboard.org

ACT

www.actstudent.org

Raise Me - microsolarships

www.raise.me

NCAA – student athletes

www.ncaa.org