# Senior College & Career Kickoff!

This is an overview of where you should be beginning and what is coming

### YOUR JOB AS A SENIOR BEFORE FALL BREAK:

- #1- GET ON NAVIANCE (you should be on here weekly). Review your Junior Packet (Blue packet from last year) and make sure you have completed all the Junior Tasks
  - You should be almost done searching for schools and programs to apply to, but if you still need to-Complete an initial "College Search". This helps you explore various schools and programs that may be of interest to you. If you do not find what you are looking for, go back and modify your search. The more you click, the more your search narrows, do not over select!

    Click on the "Colleges" tab → click "college search" → click on the sections "Type, Location, Students, Admission,"
    - Click on the "Colleges" tab  $\rightarrow$  click "college search"  $\rightarrow$  click on the sections "Type, Location, Students, Admission, Athletics, Majors, Costs, Special Programs" or click on "next" as you go through the sections
  - Continue working on your College Essays if they are required by your College. Having an updated resume will help this process! See the "Essay Writing Tips" in last year's BLUE packet for help
  - Sign up to take or re-take the ACT or SAT (<u>www.act.org</u> & <u>www.collegeboard.com</u>)
- #2- Complete your Senior Credit Check with your counselor- We will be calling you down in Early September
- #3- Attend your Senior College Planning Events:
  - Attend you Math/Science Class and in *mid-September*, you will join us in a presentation to receive your Senior Packet (YELLOW packet for this year) See the back for map on where you should be at in the process NOW!
    - Your Counselor will lead you through it and teach it to you
    - This is your main guide of what you should be doing and when
    - This will help outline the process of applying
    - This will help outline the process of finding financial aid
    - This will help kick off your scholarship searches!
  - Attend College Planning Night virtually with your parent/guardian(s)- September 17, 2021 <u>@ 6:00 p.m.</u>
  - Apply for as many schools as you can on Free Application Day- October 13, 2021
  - Attend College Readiness Day- October 27, 2021 @ 7:00 a.m.

#### AFTER FALL BREAK:

- You will be working on **COMPLETING** your **Applications**
- You will be turning in your **Transcript Requests** to complete your applications
  - These are the blue forms located in Post-grad. You must do these to complete your application
  - This is step #2 in the College Application process and must be done <u>2 weeks</u> before your application due date
- You will be finishing essays and gathering any other documents (letter of rec, volunteer hours, etc.)
- You will be signing up for college visits in Post-Grad and tours (use Naviance for this)
- You will be in the swing of finding free money! Scholarships, that is use Naviance for this

#### OTHER DATES:

- College Fairs and Tours:
  - Greater Denver College Fair Workshops-Sept. 28-30<sup>th</sup> \*Held Virtually
  - In/Out State College Fair- Oct. 5-9<sup>th</sup>
     \*Held Virtually
- O Application Month in October:
  - http://ciccollegeappmonth.org has scholarship giveaways each week by applying in this month!
- o F.A.S.F.A. Workshops-TBD, look for November
- o Graduation Meetings:
  - March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. last names A-K
  - March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 p.m. last names L-Z
- o \*Tentative Senior Exit Assembly- May 7<sup>th</sup>
- o Senior Check out- May 10th
- Graduation- May 27<sup>th</sup> @ 8.am \*location and time tentative

#### Seniors, Where Are You In The Planning to Finalization Phase? Did you do your Sophomore Career Did you move on to your Junior College Searches? Yes Searches and find out what Majors You may or may not have used those Majors in Yes you may be interested in studying? your search Start Here NoJ No J Did you add them Start and complete them!! Start and complete them- you REALLY should To help find the schools that will have programs have at least **3-6** schools you are considering!! into your "Colleges I you are interested in: Complete the "Do What Start and complete an initial "College Search". am thinking about" You Are"-If you do not find what you are looking for, go or "Colleges I am Click on the "Careers" tab → click "Personality back and modify your search. The more you click, applying to" list in Naviance? Type" → click "Begin Assessment" the more your search narrows, do not over select! So you can continually explore careers that may be Click on the "Colleges" tab → click "college a got fit for you: Complete the "Career Interest search" $\rightarrow$ click on the sections "Type, Location, Profiler"-Students, Admission, Athletics, Majors, Costs, Add Did you Click on the "Careers tab" → click "Career interest Special Programs" or click on "next" as you go them consider profiler" → click "Let's Begin" through the sections doing another ACT or taking the SAT The above should be done by September 15<sup>th</sup>! based off of your search? Did you save the financial aid section Have you started Have you created an Yes Yes applying for your (appropriate) email account (usually on the back page) with your Yes↓ that you can close after this parent/guardian(s) information and schools on their process is over? copy it, so that you will have the websites? Register information for the next applications? for them in No $\downarrow$ Post Grad √ Yes Apply online at each schools website. Look for the words "freshman", "prospective student", "undergraduate" or "new Did you finish Did you hit student" to select the correct application. Select the correct any Essay's or "SUBMIT? (no need term: (FALL 2020) Short Answer to print the SENDedu prompts needed? form... but will need \*\*If you use the common application, make sure to check that to print others if each school does not have any other separate addendums they prompted to- when in require\*\* **↓No** doubt, print and show us!) Keep working on Yes↓ those Essays and Start your Scholarship searches!! your Resume Did you come to Post Grad and Click on the "Colleges" tab → scroll down to which will help Yes the "Scholarship & Money" section → click on complete the BLUE transcript request you finish up the sections "scholarship match, scholarship applications and form? list and national scholarship search" to find complete scholarships Scholarship searches!! \*Come visit in Post Grad to and browse Come down and complete one through our green "Scholarship Binders" on Mr. Sewell's desk\*

## The above should be done by Fall Break!

Remember, we are going to keep providing information, make sure you are on track, so that when you come to Finiancial Aid Night, you are up to speed!

\*\*You may receive information in class as well. But remember, finding free money is like a job- your responsibility and time consuming!\*\*

\*\*\*Remember to fill out a transcript request from for each scholarship you complete\*\*\*