

College Corner

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IMPORTANT DATES

- 10/1 FAFSA Opens
- 10/3 Warrior Assessment Day
- 10/ 5 First Quarter Ends
- 10/6 –Fall break begins
- 10/26 Parent Conference Night/FAFSA Day
- 10/30: Parent Conference Night

STARTING STRONG

By this point in time, we should be almost finished with the all applications. While many colleges may accept applications, the schools are already allocating scholarships and grants. February is the best time to be applying for scholarship assistance.

Seniors

- **FAFSA**– The FAFSA Opens on October 1st this year. Our school will have a FAFSA Day all day on October 26th with professional assistance. Make sure you bring your families tax information!
- Visit room 106 during One Lunch. School Counselors are always available to assist with college questions and anything related to your success after high school.
- **Apply Apply Apply!** Your list should be no more than 5 schools, with at least 1 safety school. Now you should be completing the applications. Remember, TN Promise means applying to Vol State and other TN Promise participating schools is **FREE!** **The deadline for this is November 1st.**
- Stay on track with your **Grades & Visit with your Counselor.**
- Submit your College **Applications.** Also, make sure to let your school counselor know about any transcripts that need to be sent.
- Continue to research **scholarships.** These dates vary depending on the scholarship. Most of college’s websites have a financial aid tab which will show you scholarships details. Need help? Meet with your school counselor.
- We understand this can be an overwhelming process. Your school counselors are here to help!

Junior

- Look over your GPA to know where you stand when considering colleges.
- Visit with the colleges and gain information at college fairs.
- Keep saving!
- Begin studying for the ACT in the Spring.

Sophomores

- Stay on track with your grades.
- Start to research colleges
- Determine careers that interest you.
- Meet your school counselor for guidance on how to be successful.

Freshmen

- Get to know your new School Counselor! Ms.Morales is here to help you!
- Learn how to impact your GPA in a positive way.
- Join a club or sport. Most students find they are more successful when they are involved.

COUNSELORS

Griffin Academy of Design & Technology
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Health & Human Services/IB
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Freshmen Academy
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TESTS

• ACT- Test Date

October 3rd-Seniors

October 17th-Re-take

National ACT

October 28th

December 9th

APPLICATION TYPES

When applying to colleges you will experience a whole new vocabulary and that is just the application types. To help you out here are the definitions of these application types.

Rolling Admissions: No real due date, however scholarships and enrollment in popular programs are usually granted to first come first serve.

Regular Admissions: Due date for most first time freshmen to submit completed application. Almost always associated with school based scholarships.

Early Action: Due date for applications for which you will hear back by the end of February. These applications are non-binding, meaning you can still decide to go somewhere else for college.

Early Decision: Due date for applications to schools that you will definitely go to if you are accepted. These are binding, meaning that if you are accepted you must attend the school or pay a fee. Please review the Early Decision conditions if you are considering doing this type of application.

TN PROMISE

Beginning with the Class of 2014, Tennessee Promise has provided Tennessee high school graduates the opportunity to attend a community or technical college **free of tuition and fees**. TN Promise is available to all students who graduate from a TN High School and complete all requirements of the program each year.

The deadline to sign up is November 1st, 2017.

THE WARRIOR VISION

THE FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS OF HUNTERS LANE HIGH SCHOOL WILL PROVIDE A NURTURING ENVIRONMENT WHERE GROWTH AND RESPONSIBILITY ARE VALUED, AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IS A DAILY PURSUIT.

HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

This year we are featuring our own College & Career Website for more up to date information about College Visits, Scholarship Opportunities, & Transcript Requests. Please check it out at:

www.HLCollegeReady.weebly.com

Other sites that are useful in your college planning are:

www.CollegeforTN.org

www.Fasfa.ed.gov

www.Petersons.com

www.TNPromise.gov

www.Fastweb.com

www.NashvilleScholarships.com

www.TNTransferPathway.org

www.CollegeData.com

www.BigFuture.CollegeBoard.com

www.Finanaid.com

www.eCampusTours.com

www.WiredScholarships.com

NCAA-www.EligibilityCenter.org

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