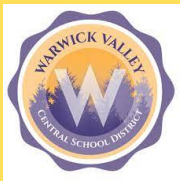
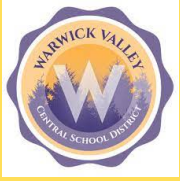


WARWICK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

WVHS SCHOOL COUNSELING NEWSLETTER

Quarter 4 April-June



Welcome to the School Counselor's Corner



ONE QUARTER LEFT TO GO!

We are excited to finish out this school year. Hopefully, all of our students are putting their best foot forward at this point in the year. Only another ten weeks left to go! Please read through our newsletter to find our upcoming events, updates for each graduating class, contact information for counselors and also the 2024 June Regents Exam Schedule!

Scheduling for 2024-25

Over the past two months counselors have met with every student from grades 8-11 to review their schedules for next year. In those meetings counselors discussed the core subjects' teachers recommended your students for and also the electives your students would like to sign up to take next year. Course requests are live on the portal for parents/ students to see. If you have any concerns or questions please reach out to your students' counselor.



Upcoming Guidance Events

CAREER FAIR

- APRIL 17TH (LOCATED IN THE OLD GYM DURING THE MORNING PERIODS)

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY

- MAY 1ST (7:00PM-8:30PM IN THE HS AUDITORIUM)

AP EXAMS

- MAY 6TH- MAY 17TH

ANNUAL REVIEWS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS

- JANUARY 29TH- MAY 31ST

STANDARDIZED TESTING DATES (MUST REGISTER BY DEADLINES)

- SAT
 - MAY 4TH (WVHS)---REGISTRATION DEADLINE HAS PASSED, BUT THERE IS LATE REGISTRATION
 - JUNE 1ST (OUT OF DISTRICT)---REGISTRATION DEADLINE 5/16
- ACT
 - JUNE 8TH (OUT OF DISTRICT)---REGISTRATION DEADLINE 5/3
 - JULY 13TH (OUT OF DISTRICT)---REGISTRATION DEADLINE 6/7

SPRING ASVAB RESULTS PRESENTATION

- MAY 17TH (11:30AM-12:30PM IN COMPUTER LAB)

AWARDS NIGHT

- MAY 30TH (7:00PM-9:00PM IN THE HS AUDITORIUM)

GRADUATION

- JUNE 29TH



June 2024 Regents Exam Schedule

TUESDAY JUNE 4TH

- ALGEBRA 1 REGENTS @ 7:40AM

FRIDAY JUNE 14TH

- ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS REGENTS @ 7:40AM
- LIVING ENVIRONMENT REGENTS @ 11:15AM

TUESDAY JUNE 18TH

- US HISTORY REGENTS @ 7:40AM
- GLOBAL HISTORY REGENTS @ 11:15AM

THURSDAY JUNE 20TH

- EARTH SCIENCE REGENTS @ 7:40AM
- CHEMISTRY REGENTS @ 11:15AM

FRIDAY JUNE 21ST

- GEOMETRY REGENTS @ 7:40AM

MONDAY JUNE 24TH

- ALGEBRA II REGENTS @ 7:40AM

TUESDAY JUNE 25TH

- PHYSICS REGENTS @ 7:40AM



Seniors

FINANCIAL AID

THIS IS A REMINDER THAT BY NOW ALL COLLEGE-BOUND SENIORS AND THEIR PARENTS SHOULD HAVE FILED THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) AT [HTTPS://STUDENTAID.GOV/H/APPLY-FOR-AID/FAFSA](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa). IF YOU LIST A NEW YORK COLLEGE ON YOUR FAFSA, YOU CAN LINK DIRECTLY TO THE NEW YORK STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TAP). FOR MORE INFORMATION ON TAP, VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.HESC.NY.GOV](https://www.hesc.ny.gov) . **YOU SHOULD NOT PAY FOR HELP IN SEEKING OUT SCHOLARSHIPS, FILLING OUT THE FAFSA, OR APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID.** THERE IS HELP AVAILABLE EITHER ONLINE OR BY CALLING THE FEDERAL STUDENT AID INFORMATION CENTER AT 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243).

COLLEGE INFORMATION

SENIORS IF ARE ATTENDING COLLEGE IN THE FALL YOUR COLLEGE WILL REACH OUT TO YOU IN JUNE FOR FINAL TRANSCRIPTS. COUNSELORS WILL SEND FINAL TRANSCRIPTS OUT TO EVERY STUDENTS' SCHOOL THE WEEK AFTER GRADUATION. GRADES NEED TO BE FINALIZED PRIOR TO FINAL TRANSCRIPTS BEING SENT OUT.

PLEASE LET YOUR COUNSELOR KNOW WHEN YOU RECEIVE ANY ADMISSIONS DECISIONS (WHETHER IT IS AN ACCEPTANCE, DENIAL, OR DEFERRAL) FROM THE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH YOU APPLIED. PLEASE UPDATE NAVIANCE WITH ALL OF THOSE DECISIONS AS WELL. IF YOU HAVE DECIDED ON WHAT COLLEGE YOU WILL ATTEND UPDATE NAVIANCE BECAUSE YOU WILL NEED TO DO SO BY THE END OF THE YEAR!

****SENIOR STUDENTS SHOULD REGULARLY CHECK THEIR EMAILS FOR REMINDERS & UPDATES****

GRADUATION

STUDENTS WILL HAVE A GRADUATION REHEARSAL DURING THE FINAL WEEK OF THE SCHOOL YEAR. THE DATE IS STILL TBD. SENIORS PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE LOOKING AT YOUR GOOGLE CLASSROOMS AND ALSO MONITORING YOUR EMAILS. MORE INFORMATION ABOUT GRADUATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU ALL AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE BIG DAY!



Juniors

COLLEGE PLANNING

THE COMMON APPLICATION WILL OPEN ON AUGUST 1ST. THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD COMMON APPLICATION WORKSHOPS IN AUGUST AND DURING THE START OF THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR. STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE CLASS OF 2025 GUIDANCE GOOGLE CLASSROOM AND YOUR SCHOOL EMAILS FOR FINALIZED DATES AND SIGN UPS.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO CONTINUE TO RESEARCH COLLEGES THROUGH NAVIANCE. THIS CAN HELP YOU FIGURE OUT WHAT COLLEGES THERE ARE AROUND THE COUNTRY AND ALSO THE MAJORS THEY HAVE TO OFFER.

UTILIZE THE SUMMER TO VISIT AS MANY COLLEGE CAMPUSES AS POSSIBLE.

MAKING THE MOST OF A COLLEGE FAIR

ATTENDING A COLLEGE FAIR WITHOUT A PLAN CAN BE OVERWHELMING. IN ORDER TO MAKE A COLLEGE FAIR AS EFFECTIVE AS POSSIBLE, STUDENTS MUST DO THEIR HOMEWORK IN ADVANCE. GOOD PREPARATION INCLUDES SOME BASIC SEARCHES TO BEGIN TO IDENTIFY WHAT YOU WANT OUT OF A COLLEGE (MAJORS, LOCATION, COST, CAMPUS LIFE, SPECIAL INTEREST PROGRAMS, ETC.). THE GOAL IS TO HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY SPECIFIC COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES. YOUR QUESTIONS SHOULDN'T BE ONES TO WHICH YOU CAN EASILY FIND THE ANSWER ON A WEB SITE.

NYSACAC SPRING COLLEGE FAIR
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024
6:30 - 8:30PM
OUR LADY OF LOURDES HIGH SCHOOL
POUGHKEEPSIE, NY

ORANGE COUNTY, NY COLLEGE NIGHT
THURSDAY APRIL 25TH, 2024
6:30-8:30PM

SUNY ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- REPRESENTATIVES FROM OVER 100 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE 68TH ANNUAL COLLEGE NIGHT WHICH WILL BE HELD AT ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING ON THURSDAY, APRIL 25. COLLEGE NIGHT IS SPONSORED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION.



Sophomores

CTECH PROCESS

COUNSELORS HAVE UNTIL APRIL 30TH TO SIGN UP ANY CURRENT 10TH GRADE STUDENTS INTERESTED IN THE OUBOCES CTECH PROGRAMS. AFTER THIS DATE STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SIGN UP FOR OUBOCES CTECH PROGRAMS. THE PROCESS FOR STUDENTS TO EARN A SPOT IN THOSE PROGRAMS IS BASED ON A LOTTERY SYSTEM. NOT EVERY STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A SPOT IN THE PROGRAM THEY REQUESTED.

COUNSELORS SHOULD HEAR BACK IN THE MONTH OF JUNE WHETHER STUDENTS DID OR DID NOT GET INTO THE PROGRAMS THEY REQUESTED. ONCE COUNSELORS HEAR FROM OUBOCES THEY WILL REACH OUT TO THEIR STUDENTS.

IF A STUDENT DOES NOT GET INTO THE PROGRAM THEY REQUESTED THE COUNSELOR WILL SET UP A MEETING WITH THE STUDENT TO CREATE SCHEDULE AT WVHS FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE REACH OUT TO YOUR STUDENTS' COUNSELOR.

Freshman

CONTINUE TO WORK HARD DURING QUARTER FOUR. YOUR GRADES MATTER FOR EVERY YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL. GIVE MAXIMUM EFFORT AND DO YOUR BEST!

- THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'LL DO THIS SUMMER. CONSIDER AN INTERNSHIP, JOB, VOLUNTEER POSITION OR JOIN A SUMMER PROGRAM. DO MORE WITH YOUR SUMMER.

IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO START COMPLETING YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS. USE THE SUMMER TO COMPLETE THOSE HOURS. STUDENTS NEED 20 HOURS COMPLETED BY THE END OF THE THIRD QUARTER SENIOR YEAR TO BE ABLE TO GRADUATE.



General Information

SUMMER PROGRAMS

INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR YOUR STUDENT?

CHECK OUT TEENLIFE TO LEARN ABOUT HOW SUMMER PROGRAMS PREPARE STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE. TEENLIFE HAS INFORMATION ON 110 UNIQUE SUMMER PROGRAMS (ONLINE & IN-PERSON)

[TEENLIFE'S GUIDE TO SUMMER PROGRAMS 2024](#)

[SUMMER PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES](#)

TIPS FOR AN EFFECTIVE COLLEGE VISIT

- TAKE TIME TO PLAN VISITS
- PREPARE FOR THE VISITS
 - PICK OUT PLACES OF INTEREST
 - SCHEDULE A GUIDED TOUR
- TAKE YOUR OWN TOUR
 - WANDER CAMPUSES
 - ASK QUESTIONS
- EXPLORE THE COLLEGE'S FACILITIES
 - TALK WITH THE STUDENTS
 - ASK TO SEE DORMS
- MAKE CONNECTIONS
 - TALK WITH CURRENT STUDENTS ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES
- TAKE NOTES
 - DURING THE VISIT JOT DOWN ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE. WHAT EXCITED YOU? CAN YOU PICTURE YOURSELF AT THAT SCHOOL? WHAT DID YOU NOT LIKE?



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