Information & Resources from your BHS counselors

# JUNIORS CLASS OF 2025

# Graduation Requirements

- Know your requirements
  - 29 credits to graduate
- Meet with your counselor

## Determine Your Path

- College
  - 4-year College- University, Public, Private
  - 2-year Community or Technical College
- Military Enlistment
- Apprenticeship
- Workforce and/or Gap Year

## College- Gather Information!

- College Reps- visit BHS or CALL THEM!
  - Use the <u>website calendar</u> for dates
- Questions to ask a college rep
- College Fairs- local and national options
  - Register online for upcoming fairs

## College- Gather Information!

- College Visits schedule through college websites
- Ask to participate in something extraeat in the commons, sit in on a lecture, speak to a professor, attend an event
- College Comparison Workbookcomplete planning tool to assist in organization or all college interests.

## College- Direct Admissions

- Direct Admissions Program 4min Video to learn more!
  - All BHS Seniors get an email this fall with a list of colleges that will admit them
    - submit application and transcript
  - FREE transcript and college application
  - You know you are accepted before you even apply!

## College Knowledge Month-October 2025

- Info sessions during BASE
  - College Admissions
  - Military
  - NCAA

Lots of college reps visiting Student Services and the lunchroom

Application completion help from counselors during BASE

Application fees waived for many MN colleges Free all year for Direct Admissions colleges that are on your list!

## Military

- Information in Student Services from all military branches
- Military branch reps visit the lunchroom once each term
- ASVAB testing will be required for entrance- this can be taken at a military branch office
- Today's Military- description of branches and enlistment/career opportunities

## Apprenticeships

- On the job training in skilled trade industries including: construction, manufacturing, healthcare, energy, IT and more
- Benefits include: paid training, high employment outlook, benefits, no college debt
- Apprenticeship.gov
- U.S. Department of Labor
- Minnesota State
- MN Apprenticeships

#### **CIS360**

#### Clever CIS360 Login

School Sort- find college matches

Careers- Abundance of info and stats

Programs of Study- find what colleges offer your major

Test Prep- practice for ACT, SAT, Accuplacer

# Test Optional College Admission

- Many colleges continue to offer test optional admissions
- List of Test Optional Colleges
- Submit or not Submit a College
  Admission Test Score
- Check with individual college reps for their specific recommendations/policies
- Scholarships may require ACT or SAT

# ACT and SAT (4-year college)

- 4-year college admission tests given nationally on scheduled days
- Students can test as many times as they like
- ACT Registration- www.actstudent.org
- SAT Registrationwww.collegeboard.org/sat

# Accuplacer (2-year college)

- 2-year college placement test taken after applied and accepted to college
- Test proctored on the college campus
- STUDY for the test- If you score low, you will be placed in lower level or remedial classes that may not be covered by financial aid

Helpful links for Accuplacer test prep:

**Collegeboard** 

www.accuplacer.org

CIS360 Test Prep- College Placement Skills

## ASVAB

- Military entrance exam
- Multiple-choice exam covering 10 subject areas
- Arranged with recruiter from your selected branch

ASVAB information

## Reminders

- Fee waivers are available for students on free/reduced lunch for college apps and ACT's- tell your counselor if you are eligible
- Activities/Recognitions resume- create one now
- NCAA- DI and DII athletics at collegeaccounts should be made this year
  - NCAA Eligibility Center

## **Application Time Savers**

- Common App- application to apply to more than 900 colleges in the U.S. and world
  - can save time if applying to multiple colleges that use Common App
  - search participating schools and deadlines online
- MN State Universal Application- apply to any MN State college
- Share My App Program- Must apply to the U of M-Twin Cities campus first, then app can be shared with other U of M campuses for free!

## Additional Resources

General/Occupational:

**BHS Student Services** 

**Big Future** 

Occupational Outlook Handbook

Financial Aid/Scholarships:

<u>Fastweb</u>

Cappex

Chegg

<u>Unigo</u>

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## Questions?

You are always welcome to meet with your counselor to discuss future plans and explore options.

Stop into Student Services to make an appointment!