

Junior Parent Meeting

Bishop Hartley High School

September 20, 2023

School Counseling Department 2023-2024



Welcome & Prayer

Website

<http://www.bishop-hartley.org/>

School Counseling Page

- Hover over the “Parents” tab
- Click on School Counseling
- School Counselor Contact Information
- Parent Resources

Hot Topics

Cell Phones, Social Media, & Drugs/Alcohol/Tobacco

- Please monitor social media accounts
- Sending, receiving, or storing nude photo of a minor on an electronic device is illegal and considered a felony.
- Who is the owner of the phone or tablet?
- Please see Handbook pages 48 - 49 for policy on substance use
- Consequences – school and legal

Hot Topics

Nationwide Children's Hospital Signs of Suicide Program

- Nationally recognized prevention program
- Teaches that suicide is preventable by recognizing the signs and symptoms of suicide
- Presentation given last year as sophomores
- See handouts in folder

Advanced Placement (AP) Exams

- May 2024 Exam schedule is on the College Board Website
- Registration for exams is completed in your child's AP classes here at school.
 - Optional AP Exams: AP Italian, AP French,
- \$98 per exam, **paid by October 27th**
- **Payment Methods:**
 - RevTrak (same system for lunch accounts) and click on AP Exam Fees
 - Cash or Check (made payable to Bishop Hartley) to Mrs. Fantozzi in our School Counseling office

PSAT/NMSQT

- National Testing Day is October 11th
 - Test administered in-person by a proctor during school hours
 - 8:00 am Start Time (Regular school start time)
 - 11:30 am Finish Time (No Lunch)
- Digital format beginning October 2023
 - Students will use school issued devices
 - 2 Sections: Reading/Writing and Math
- All students will be supported , including those approved to receive testing accommodations.
- Students can review the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide and take full-length practice test
- We will complete a digital readiness check next week

Folder

Review of content in folder

Transcript

1. **Courses taken** and **final grade** through sophomore year and current junior courses
2. Cumulative GPA (unweighted)
Laude System – awarded based on the following GPA on a 4.00 scale

Cum Laude	3.70 – 3.79
Magna Cum Laude	3.80 – 3.89
Summa Cum Laude	3.90 – 4.00

This designation will include eight (8) semesters and selection will be made based on cumulative G.P.A. following senior final exams.

3. Double check credits toward graduation
Phys. Ed and VPA - See label on transcript

Questions, please contact your child's school counselor

Curriculum for College Preparation

English – 4 Credits

Math – 4 Credits (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II)

Science – 3 to 4 Credits

Social Studies – 3 Credits

World Language – 2 to 3 (same language)

Visual Performing Art – 1 Credit

Meet all other Hartley graduation requirements

25 total credits

Look at prospective schools and review recommended curriculum, especially for selective schools

Factors in Choosing a College

- Location
- Size
- Religious affiliation
- Historically Black Colleges
- Degrees & Programs offered
- Special Academic/Honors Programs
- Support Services
- Student Safety
- Facilities
- Atmosphere/Culture of school
- Athletics & Activities
- Study Abroad
- Total Cost
- Financial Aid
- Scholarships Offered
- Job outlook for intended major
- Good fit for student

Factors in Choosing a College





Types of Colleges

Private: Usually smaller and more costly. **BUT** better financial aid packages and more individual attention

Public: Usually larger, state-assisted and tuition is lower

Liberal Arts: Focus more on general knowledge rather than a technical curriculum

Community: Two year degrees, transfer options, certificate and associate programs. Lower tuition



U.S. News & World Report - Historically Black Colleges and Universities

<https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges/rankings/hbcu#search-content>

Here are the top HBCUs of 2023

1. Spelman College
2. Howard University
3. Tuskegee University
4. Morehouse College
5. Xavier University of Louisiana
6. Hampton University
7. Florida A&M University
8. Delaware State University
9. Claflin University
10. North Carolina A&T State U.

For test optional policies please check with school

Types of College Admission

Open = Non-Competitive

Columbus State, Branch Campuses (osu, uc, ou)

Selective = Competitive

Miami University, The Ohio State University-
Main Campus, University of Dayton, Xavier
University

Highly Selective = Very competitive

Oberlin College, Denison University, Kenyon
College, U of Notre Dame, U of Chicago,
Dartmouth

College Application Terms

Applications

Common Application

Online Applications/Direct to Institution

Application Types

Early Decision (ED) – Binding

Early Action (EA) – Non-Binding

Regular Decision/Rolling Admissions (RD/RA)

A student should not apply ED or EA without consultation with a **College Admission Representative**

College Entrance Exams

Can be used as a class placement tool

College may request official test scores

- Sent directly from ACT or College Board (SAT)

Scholarships

Test Optional

Check college webpage for application criteria

Call admissions office with questions

Which Test – ACT or SAT?

Option of taking both

Use PreACT and PSAT results as possible predictor

PreACT taken freshmen and sophomore years

PSAT taken sophomore and junior years

ACT: Taken at Hartley on **February 27th**

Free for all junior students

- Will take during the school day
- Can send scores to colleges

PreACT & PSAT/NMSQT

Practice for the ACT/SAT

PreACT – Reporting includes both academic and career indicators, which are designed to identify strengths and areas for improvement.

PSAT –Assesses knowledge and skills used on the SAT.
Includes academic and career indicators
National Merit Scholarship Program

Scholarships

Begin researching scholarships in August

70-80% of scholarships will come from college (merit)

Outside Scholarships:

Typically Comes in the form of Essay/Competition

Places to Look

FastWeb <https://www.fastweb.com/>

Going Merry <https://www.goingmerry.com/>

College Athletics

NCAA Eligibility (Division I & II)

Core GPA – 2.3 for DI eligibility, 2.2 DII eligibility

Student-Athlete must register with NCAA

Send transcript end of junior year

Meet with your School Counselor

NAIA

Unique requirements

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Handouts available

Additional Post-Secondary Options

Proprietary Schools

Gap Year – Year of Service

Military

Apprenticeship Programs / Work Force

Professionals from these areas visit Hartley

College & Career Application Process (CAP) At Home

What should we, as a family, be doing now?

Help your child:

1. **Identify** 3-5 schools/post-secondary options that are a “good fit”: Academics, Interest, Comfort Level
2. **Research** schools: major, location, interests, academic requirements, etc. Visit college website
3. Out of those options, identify:
 - Safety** (Meet 100% of criteria, affordability)
 - Likely** (Meet 66% of criteria)
 - Reach** (Meet 33% of criteria)

College & Career Application Process (CAP) At Home

4. Take a **college visit** and attend college representative visits to Hartley – expose your child to different experiences.

Show ***Demonstrated Interest***

5. **Discuss** Likes, Dislikes & Family Finances for each institution

Public vs Private?

Large vs Small?

City or Rural? In-state or Out-of-state?

Overall cost:

Likelihood of scholarship money and other financial assistance at each institution

Junior College & Career Application Process (JCAP) at School

A **junior series** we created to help students navigate the post-secondary application and planning process. Begins in the fall (college visits)

Counselors will help students to:

- Explore the application process

- Help determine factors in choosing a college

- Create a college list

- Maintain productive pace through application timeline and submission process

Resources:

- See handouts in folder

College Visits to Hartley (JCAP)

Over 70 College representatives will visit Hartley this fall

Some in-person and some virtually

College representatives will visit again next fall
Posted in Naviance

Students will sign up through their Naviance account – 24 hours in advance

Student should research college/university
Does college have major(s) of interest?

College Night for Juniors

Presented by Columbus Catholic High Schools
(Hartley, Ready, Watterson, DeSales, St. Charles,
Cristo Rey)

Date: TBA

Presentation Topics:

College Cost

Selective Admissions

Choosing a College Major

College Essay Application

Learning Differences in the College Application

Process

Regional Campuses

Community Colleges

Military Options

College Visits

Junior Year Planning Calendar - Spring

GPA – Focus on maintaining/improving

Test – Schedule ACT/SAT – **ACT @ BHHS February 27th**

Involvement – Deepen commitment to service

Athlete – Register @ eligibilitycenter.org

Service Academy Appointment – Begin process, See Counselor

Junior Year Planning Calendar – Summer

Summer Programs – Attend a Summer Program on a college campus (packet given to students & online)

Visit – Additional college visits or make a 2nd visit

List – Narrow down list of colleges and discuss expectations & finances

Retest - Prepare and register for ACT/SAT

Essay – Work on Personal Statement & Common Application Essay. Google 2024 Common App Essay Prompt

Senior Year Planning Calendar August–Sept.

Senior College & Career Application Process

- SCAP
- Begins in August

List – Finalize list of colleges, begin applications

Essay – Critique & polish college essays, have teacher proofread

Request – Ask for Letters of Recommendation

Test – Retake ACT/SAT (check application deadlines)

Visits – Visit campus, meet with College Reps at Hartley

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