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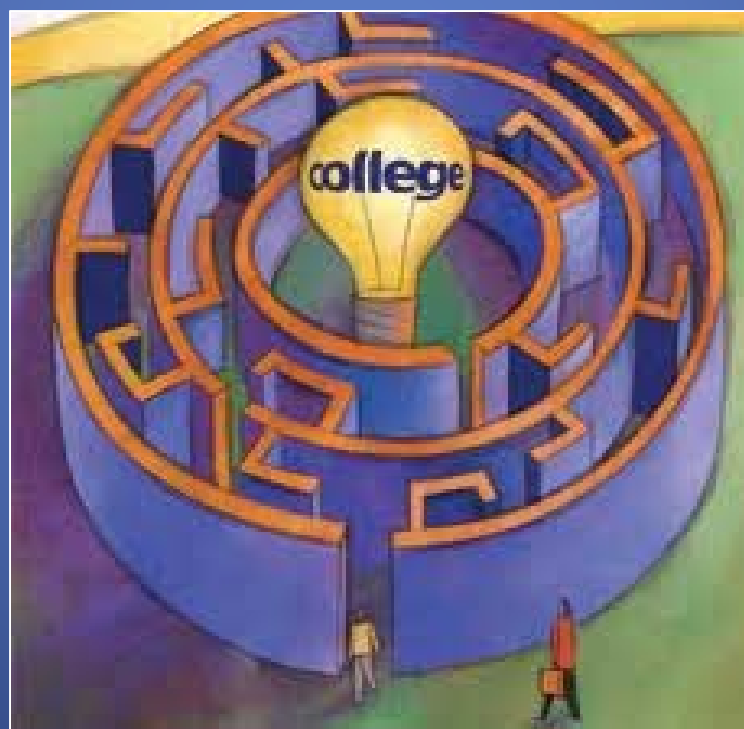
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Introduction to “Life After High School”

Naviance/Family Connection Presentation



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**ARE YOU READY
FOR COLLEGE?**

**USING
NAVIANCE-FAMILY
CONNECTIONS**

JUNIOR TIMELINE

**SAT/ACT TEST DATES
& Preparation Tips**

SAT-ACT-ACCUPLACER
Which test is right for me?

Campus Visit/Interview
**What Are Colleges Looking
For?**

**COLLEGE PLANNING
WORKSHEET & Career Center
Website**

PSAT Score Report

- Review the October 2015 PSAT Score Report
- College Board will send score reports to students electronically in January
 - Practice often and learn from your errors
 - PSAT score interpretation for parents on Wed, January 20, 7 pm in amphitheatre

SAT/ACT Test Dates

SAT

www.collegeboard.org

- January 23rd
- March 5th
- May 7th
- June 4th

ACT

www.actstudent.org

- February 6th
- April 9th
- June 11th

Blake HS Code: 210959

SAT/ACT/ACCUPLACER

SAT *(redesigned March 2016)*

Critical Reading	(200 – 800)
Mathematics	(200 – 800)
SAT Total	(400 – 1600)

- Aligned to Common Core
- Math section includes student response/grid-in questions; **including precalculus**
- **No Penalty for wrong answers**
- Writing section **(optional)**

SAT Subject Tests

- May be required for **selective** university admissions
- Take at the end of course (June or October)
- Can take up to 3 tests in one sitting (1 hour each)

See Mrs. Moore for SAT or ACT Fee Waivers for low income families.

ACCUPLACER – *Community College*

Measures readiness for college level math, reading and writing

ACT

English	(1-36)
*usage	(1-18)
*rhetorical	(1-18)
Reading	(1-36)
Mathematics	(1-36)
Science	(1-36)

- Measures **Science** Reasoning
- Math up to trigonometry
- Scores based on correct answers
- **No penalty for wrong answers**
- Writing section (optional)

Which Test Should I Take?

All JUNIORS MUST take at least one of these tests by April 2016:
SAT, ACT or Accuplacer

Whatever test you choose,
PREPARE well before test day!



Meet with your counselor to determine the best
test that will fit your future plans

Accuplacer for Juniors

- Sign up online in A103 during LUNCH - Dec 8-10
 - Register in Google Classroom using code q8yr1n
 - Register for MCPS Accuplacer on Jan 21 *(if you did not take the Accuplacer on Oct 14)*
 - Use the links in Google Classroom to prep for the Accuplacer by completing lessons you need
 - In February complete MC application online, choose “Dual 2016”
 - In a few days you’ll receive an “M-number;” keep this student I.D. in a safe place

WAYS to PREPARE

FREE WEBSITES:

- www.satpractice.org
(Khan Academy)
- <http://www.number2.com>
- <https://www.march2success.com/index.cfm>
- <http://www.collegeboard.com/practice>
- <http://www.act.org/testprep>
- <http://www.actexampracticetests.com>

TAKE MOCK TESTS:

New SAT/ACT Combo – January 9, Sat, 9-1 @ Blake (to prepare for Jan 23 SAT or Feb 6 ACT)

Mock ACT – February 20 Sat, 9-1 @ Blake (to prepare for April 9 ACT)

TAKE A PREP COURSE:

Catalyst Prep Weekend Boot Camps:

– April 30-May 1 – 9-1 @ Blake
(to prepare for May 7 SAT)

-- May 21-22 – 9-1 @ Blake
(to prepare for June 11 ACT)

Other options can be found in the Career Center.

White Excel Worksheet

- *College Planning Worksheet*
- Take notes on prospective colleges
- *College & Career Website*
- Wealth of information on testing, college planning, financial aid and scholarships
- Updated often with new information

Alumni Panel – Dec 23, 12:45-1:40

Gr. 11-12 – obtain a pass from Ms. McMillan in Counseling

College Night for Juniors

Tuesday, March 22nd at 7:00 pm

For Parents/Guardians of 11th grade students

Presentation from Counseling Department

Montgomery County College Fair

- **Tuesday, April 19 or Wednesday, April 20**

Junior Class field trip – April 20 (Blake)

College Writing Essay Clinic

- **Monday, June 1 (*pending*) - during English Class**

Why start now?

- **College visits:**

- Use winter break, spring break and summer to go on college campus visits

- **Absences:**

- Juniors and seniors are allowed up to 5 excused days for college visits with ADVANCED notice to Ms. Sheftell (Attendance Office)

- **Application Deadlines begin as early as Oct 15, with most due Nov 1st senior year**

- Prepare your list of schools and begin applying to colleges no later than 15 school days prior to deadline date. (*most college apps online by Aug 1*)

Senior Commitment Appointment

- Discuss specific questions and college process
- **Individual Appointments** with Student, Parent/Guardian and Counselor in **May, June and July**
- Small Group Appointments
- College & Career Center **open during summer by appointment**
- Attend **FREE** Summer College Readiness Workshops!

Naviance/Family Connection

- Go to: **Blake High School Webpage**, Click on “**Career Center**” under Quick Links then “**Naviance - Family Connection**” and ...
- *“Returning User” – enter email and password*
 - *6 digit Student ID*
- **New to Naviance?**
 - Click: “I need to register” - enter registration code on card attached to folder
- **Recommended:**
 - Username – **Email address**
 - *BE SURE IT'S APPROPRIATE*
 - Password – **6 digit Student ID**



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Registration

- **Add Parent/Guardian info and email address**
 - *Share program with them over the Winter Break*
- Students and Parents/Guardians will receive important emails from the Counseling Department and Career Center.



Follow Along – ABOUT ME

- “About Me” tab
 - Profile
 - Test Scores
 - Strengths Explorer
 - Resume
 - Game Plan – *Take 2 minutes to fill out*
 - Student & Parent Reflection Forms



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Follow Along – CAREERS

- “Careers” tab
 - *Career Interest Profiler*
 - discover the types of work activities and careers that match your interests
 - *Explore Careers & Clusters*
 - What are ideal careers that match your personality & goals?
 - *Favorite Careers and Clusters*
 - Save careers you are interested in pursuing.
 - *Roadtrip Nation*
 - Videos of leaders in a variety of career fields.



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Follow Along – COLLEGES

- “College” tab
 - Colleges I’m Thinking About

- **SAVE your favorite COLLEGES HERE!!**

- College’s I’m Applying to

- List of completed college applications (Senior Year)

- College Search

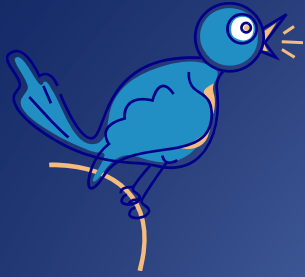
- Scattergrams

- Scholarship List

colleges I'm thinking about ←

[+ add to this list](#) | [compare me](#)

College	Delivery type	Added By	My Interest	Application Deadlines†			Regular Decision	Actions		
				Early Decision	Early Action	Priority		CONTACT	GRAPH	MMW
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<input type="checkbox"/> Boston Univ		student	N/A	11/1	-	-	1/1			
<input type="checkbox"/> Bowie State Univ		student	N/A	-	-	-	4/1			
<input type="checkbox"/> Elon Univ		student	N/A	11/1	11/10	11/1	1/10			
<input type="checkbox"/> Frostburg State Univ		student	N/A	12/15	-	6/1	2/15			
<input type="checkbox"/> George Mason Univ		student	N/A	-	11/1	-	1/15			
<input type="checkbox"/> Hofstra Univ		student	N/A	-	11/15	-	-			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indiana U Bloomington		student	N/A	-	-	11/1	-			
<input type="checkbox"/> UMD Eastern Shore		student	N/A	-	-	3/1	7/15			
<input type="checkbox"/> UMD College Park		student	N/A	-	-	11/1	1/20			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Towson Univ		student	N/A	-	-	-	1/15			



Reminders:

- **Follow us on Twitter @BlakeCounselors**
 - Daily tips, reminders and information from the Blake Counseling Department and College/Career Center.

This PowerPoint presentation will be posted on the Blake Career Center Webpage!

Explore your future...



Visit Naviance again soon as a “Returning User”

Username: email address

Password: 6 digit student I.D.

Counseling Department & Mrs. Moore, CCIC