



CCHS COLLEGE CONNECTION

You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy;". -Psalm 16:11a

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Senior Parent College Counseling Seminar Series - September 19 & October 24, 2024

We encourage all 12th grade parents to attend our senior parent seminar series in September and October. We strive to partner with the families to assure you have all essential information needed to help your child to successfully launch into college.

- **Thursday, September 19th-- Part 1-- "The College Application" [REGISTER HERE](#)**
- **Thursday, October 24th-- Part 2-- "Financial Aid 101" [REGISTER HERE](#)**

Individual, Senior College Counseling Appointments-- Have you scheduled your meeting?

The College Counseling Team is meeting with seniors to assist with questions related to their college applications. Meetings open tomorrow! Please see the Calendly links below for counselor availability and to schedule a meeting.

- **Mr. Cave (Seniors A-G) - <https://calendly.com/cave-matthew>**
- **Mrs. Graves (Seniors H-O) - <https://calendly.com/graves-kristin>**
- **Ms. Troutman (Seniors P-Z) - <https://calendly.com/troutman-dana>**

CCHS to Host Christian College Fair September 13th

CCHS is pleased to announce the return of our annual Christian College Fair on Friday, September 13th. All CCHS students will have the opportunity to attend the fair on Friday morning in the church lobby.

For a list of questions to ask college representatives, refer to pages 43-45 in the [College Application Guidebook](#). Additionally, students can also learn about good college fair etiquette by watching this short video. [Watch this video College Fair Do's and Don'ts video](#)

COLLEGE VISIT DAYS-- ATTENDANCE CLARIFICATION

During last Friday's assembly, the updated CCHS attendance policy for absences was covered; full details of our attendance policy can be found on pages 28-33 of the Parent-Student Handbook, with details on approved college and career visit days specifically highlighted on pages 30-31.

Please note that students are still permitted to complete college visits as approved, excused "College Days" for attendance purposes.

Seniors are permitted **four** "college days" per school year. In order for your attendance to be updated, you must provide the proper documentation from the college within five school days of your college visit. The acceptable documentation needed is explained on pages 30-31 of the Parent-Student Handbook.

Application Events at CCHS for St. Petersburg College & Southeastern University

College Counseling is excited to offer seniors two opportunities to meet with college admissions offices to complete a college application for **FREE**, and have the potential to have an admissions decision on the spot! There may even be snacks and giveaways for those who attend. Join us to apply for [Southeastern University](#) on October 15th or [St. Petersburg College](#) on October 22nd. Both events will be in Cafe One:22 during 7th and 8th period.

October 15- [Southeastern Apply Yourself](#)

October 22- [SPC Apply Yourself](#)

How to send Official Transcripts to Colleges

Please make sure that all official high school transcript requests are made through your Naviance Account. We can not send official transcripts unless the request has been placed in Naviance with appropriate release to send academic records. Watch this quick video which demonstrates how to request transcripts through Naviance. [Requesting Transcripts](#)

Letters of Recommendation Process

You can watch this quick video that explains how to request [Letters of Recommendation](#)

NEW College Application Guide Books are Available

The hard copy CCHS College Application Guide Books have arrived. If your family would like a hard copy of this helpful guide, please have your senior stop by the College Counseling offices to pick one up this week. A digital copy can be found [HERE](#).

ACT/SAT National Test Dates

ACT, SAT, and CLT have released the testing dates for 2024-25. [CLICK HERE](#) to see a listing of test dates and registration links. **We strongly encourage seniors to wrap up their ACT/SAT/CLT testing this fall. Register for your fall test dates NOW!** Registration links available in the above link.

NOTE: When testing digitally, CCHS recommends that students bring a backup device on testing day. This ensures you can access the digital testing platform and avoid disruptions if your primary device fails or cannot connect to Wi-Fi.

\$\$ Senior Scholarship Update- August/September Edition \$\$

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the August/September edition of the senior scholarship update. This will update regularly throughout the year. You can always view a list of scholarship search engines on the [CCHS website](#) or a listing of private scholarships in your [Naviance Student](#) account.

College Representative Visits

College representative sessions will be hosted in-person and virtually this year in **HS 203** at CCHS. Registration is required for these sessions which are open to students in 10th-12th grade. For a list of colleges hosting a session and to register, [CLICK HERE](#). The list is updated weekly, so please check back every week for new colleges added to the visit schedule. Please reference the “College Rep Visit” attendance policy in the Parent/Student Handbook in regards to your responsibility for your class attendance.

Upcoming Visits:

September 9- University of Central Florida

September 10- Boston University (VIRTUAL), University of Alabama, & Wheaton College

September 12- Liberty University, University of North Florida, & Drexel University

September 19- University of Maine & University of Florida

September 24- Furman University, Florida Southern College & George Mason University

September 26- Pennsylvania State University, Baylor University & Villanova University

October 3- College of Charleston

October 7- Lehigh University

October 10- Florida Polytechnic University & Florida Institute of Technology

October 24- University of South Florida - St. Petersburg

Upcoming Senior College Counseling Events:

- *College Application Kickstart #7*- September 3, 3:00-5:00 PM in HS 219/220 [Register Here](#)
- *SSAR Workshop #1*- September 5, 3:00-5:00 PM in Cafe A [Register Here](#)

*****You can complete your full application for ALL Florida Public Universities by attending both the Application Kickstart and SSAR workshop!*****

- *Senior Parent Seminar*- September 19, 6:30 PM (see information above)
- *Senior Financial Aid Night*- October 24, 6:30 PM (see information above)
- *SSAR Workshop #2*- October 1, 3:00-5:00 PM in Cafe A [Register Here](#)
- **COLLEGE FAIRS:**
 - **Christian College Fair**- September 13, 9:45 AM - 11 AM at CCHS- over 30 christian colleges
 - [NACAC College Fair](#)- September 22, 1 PM - 4 PM in Orlando
 - **North Pinellas College Fair**- September 26, 6 PM - 7:30 PM at Countryside High School
 - [Performing Arts College Fair](#)- September 29, 9 AM - 12 PM at the Straz Center
 - **BAIS National College Fair**- October 6, 12-2 PM at St. Petersburg Coliseum - over 150 schools from all over the US.
 - **Pasco West College Fair**- October 8, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM at Mitchell High School