



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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CCHS to Host Christian College Fair NEXT FRIDAY

CCHS is pleased to announce our annual Christian College Fair next Friday, September 13th. We are excited to announce the addition of a career panel this year. All CCHS students will have the opportunity to attend the fair and career panel on Friday morning in the worship center and church lobby. The college fair/panel schedule runs as follows:

9:45 - 10:20 AM	11th & 12th grade attend the college fair in the worship center lobby
9:45 - 10:20 AM	9th & 10th grade attend Career Panel in the worship center
10:20 - 10:25 AM	Transition
10:25 - 11:00 AM	9th & 10th grade attend the college fair in the worship center lobby
10:25 - 11:00 AM	11th & 12th grade attend Career Panel in the worship center
11:00 AM	All students dismissed back to class

[CLICK HERE FOR A LIST OF COLLEGES ATTENDING THE FAIR](#)

[Watch this video: College Fair Do's and Don'ts](#)

[Read this resource: Questions to ask at College Fairs](#)

Parents, you are welcome to attend the fair and panel with your child. If you wish to attend the fair during the school day with your student, please sign in at the front office before proceeding to the church lobby. Once you are finished attending the fair, please proceed back to the front desk to sign out. We ask that parents please wear their CCHS visitors name badge throughout their visit and depart campus through the front office once they are finished attending the fair.

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

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 6:30 PM-- Part 1– “The College Application Process for Parents” Register [HERE](#)** (Location: Williamson Room)
- **Thursday, October 24th 6:30 PM-- Part 2– “Financial Aid 101” Register [HERE](#)** (Location: Williamson Room)

The Power of Desmos: A Digital SAT Game Changer

Desmos Calculator Training for 11th & 12th grade students taking the Digital SAT

With the introduction of the New Digital SAT in the Spring of 2024, one of the most significant changes is the use of a calculator on the entire math section. The College Board has collaborated with Desmos, a powerful online graphing calculator, and embedded this tool for use into the test. This powerful tool can help you get questions correct easily...but you must know how to leverage it. The CCHS Mathematics Dept, College Counseling, and Mrs. Kraus have partnered together to provide free training for 11th and 12th grade students who will be taking the digital SAT this fall. Mrs. Kraus will share her tips & tricks using this tool, including what kinds of problems Desmos can help you get correct as well as save you time! This quick 1 hr session is designed for hands-on practice and for HIGHLY motivated students.

Students in 9th and 10th grade will be receiving introductory training in their math classes this fall in preparation for the October PSAT date.

Training Dates:

September 16th and September 23rd | 3:10 - 4:00 PM in HS 207 [CLICK HERE](#) to register for the in-person training

A Recorded session will be available after September 23rd

If you are unable to attend one of the in-person sessions, [CLICK HERE](#) to register to receive a recorded version of the training AFTER September 23rd.

Group College Counseling Session- #1 - The College Application Process

Seniors & Parents! On August 28, your college counselors visited your American Government class and helped you learn about how to begin the college application process. If you were unable to be in this session in class, [WATCH IT HERE](#). This video session will be available for you to watch at any time in your Naviance account (linked in the welcome message). This session will give you very helpful information as you begin your college application process.

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. 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>**

Free 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 receive 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](#)

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, check out the "What's New" section of [the Naviance Student](#) home screen. 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

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

September 16- Hampden-Sydney College

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- Florida State University & Lehigh University

October 10- Florida Polytechnic University & Florida Institute of Technology

October 22- Lynn University

October 24- University of South Florida - St. Petersburg

Upcoming Senior College Counseling Events:

- *SSAR Workshop #1*- September 5, 3:00-5:00 PM in Cafe A [Register Here](#)
- *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- approx. 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. (*NOTE: students who attend should wear a CCHS t-shirt or polo to the fair so they can be noted as a CCHS student and thus permitted to attend the fair*)
 - **Pasco West College Fair**- October 8, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM at Mitchell High School