



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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SAVE THE DATE! Senior Parent College Counseling Seminar Series - September 16 & October 30

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 16th-- Part 1-- "The College Application" VIRTUAL EVENT [REGISTER HERE](#)

Thursday, October 30th-- Part 2-- "Financial Aid 101" HOSTED AT CCHS [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 Monday, August 18th. 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. Gelbaugh (Seniors H-O) - <https://calendly.com/gelbaugh-stacie>**
- **Ms. Troutman (Seniors P-Z) - <https://calendly.com/troutman-dana>**

CCHS to Host Christian College Fair September 12th

CCHS is pleased to announce the return of our annual Christian College Fair on Friday, September 12th. All CCHS students will have the opportunity to attend the fair on Friday afternoon 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 and Impact on Attendance

Full details of our attendance policy can be found on pages 30-34 of the Parent-Student Handbook, with details on approved college and career visit days specifically highlighted on pages 31-32. 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 31-32 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 [St. Petersburg College](#) or [Southeastern University](#) on October 15th or on October 27th. Both events will be in Cafe One:22 during 7th and 8th period.

October 15- [SPC Application Event](#)

October 27- [SEU Application Event](#)

How to send Official Transcripts to Colleges

Please make sure that all official high school transcript requests are made through your [Maia Learning Account](#). We can not send official transcripts unless the request has been placed in Maia with appropriate release to send academic records. Please reach out to your primary college counselor if you have any questions about this process.

Letters of Recommendation Process

You can request letters of recommendation through your Maia Learning Account. Go to the "Universities" tab on the left sidebar → look for the "Recommendations" tab on the top bar. ***Please be sure to speak with your teacher about writing your letter of recommendation IN PERSON before requesting in Maia Learning.*** Do not enter any recommendation requests on your Common Application account. Reach out to your primary college counselor if you have any questions about this process.

ACT/SAT National Test Dates

ACT, SAT, and CLT have released the testing dates for 2025-26. [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.

IMPORTANT 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 Scholarships \$\$

Stay tuned for our first Scholarship Digest detailing some highlighted scholarships for seniors. 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 [Maia Learning](#) account (*located under the "Financial Plan" tab on the left sidebar*).

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, visit the “Events” tab in [Maia Learning](#). 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:

- August 25 - Wake Forest University
- August 28- Grand Canyon University
- September 16- Union College
- September 18- Indiana University Bloomington
- September 22- Syracuse University & Furman University
- September 24- Virginia Tech
- September 25- Drexel University & Bucknell University
- September 29- Villanova University & Florida State University (*FSU hosted in Cafe One:22*)
- October 6- Eckerd College & Jacksonville University
- October 7- Samford University
- October 14- United States Service Academy Information Session
- October 28- Florida Southern College

Upcoming Senior College Counseling Events:

- *College Application Kickstart #7-* August 25, 3:00-5:00 PM in HS 219/220 [Register Here](#)
- *SSAR/STARS 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 16, 6:30 PM (see information above)
- *Senior Financial Aid Night-* October 30, 6:30 PM (see information above)
- *SSAR Workshop #2-* October 9, 3:00-5:00 PM in Cafe A [Register Here](#)
- **COLLEGE FAIRS:**
 - **Christian College Fair-** September 12, 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM at CCHS- over 30 christian colleges
 - [NACAC College Fair-](#) September 21, 1 PM - 4 PM in Orlando
 - **BAIS National College Fair-** October 5, 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*)
 - **North Pinellas College Fair-** October 6, 6 PM - 7:30 PM at Countryside High School
 - **Pasco West College Fair-** October 7, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM at Mitchell High School

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