

**Junior
Family
Night
Class of: 2025**

Tonight's Topics:

- ▶ Graduation requirements
- ▶ College prep
- ▶ Breakout sessions (two-session rotation):
 - ▶ Career & College Promise (CCP)
 - ▶ Scholarships & Financial Aid
 - ▶ Career Exploration & Community College Options



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Graduation Requirements:

Subject	Credits
English	4
Math	4
Science	3
Social Studies	4
Healthful Living	1
Electives	10
	26 Total

World Languages:

- ✘ Not required for graduation
- ✓ Two levels of the same language is required for most 4-year college admissions

What is next?

Lunch
Presentations

Junior
Conferences

Senior Family
Night

Senior
Conferences

Senior Lunch
Presentations

- ✓ How to search for colleges: April 22nd
- ✓ College essay tips and techniques: April 25th
- ✓ College application walk-through: May 1st



- **Lunch Presentations**
- Junior Conferences
- Senior Family Night
- Senior Conferences
- Senior Lunch Presentations

April 8th – May 3rd

- ❖ Meet individually with your counselor.
- ❖ Discuss post-secondary planning, courses for senior year, and answer questions.
- ❖ Sign-ups will be in the Student Services Canvas.



Typically the 1st week of
September

Application platforms

Requesting transcripts

Q&A with college
representatives

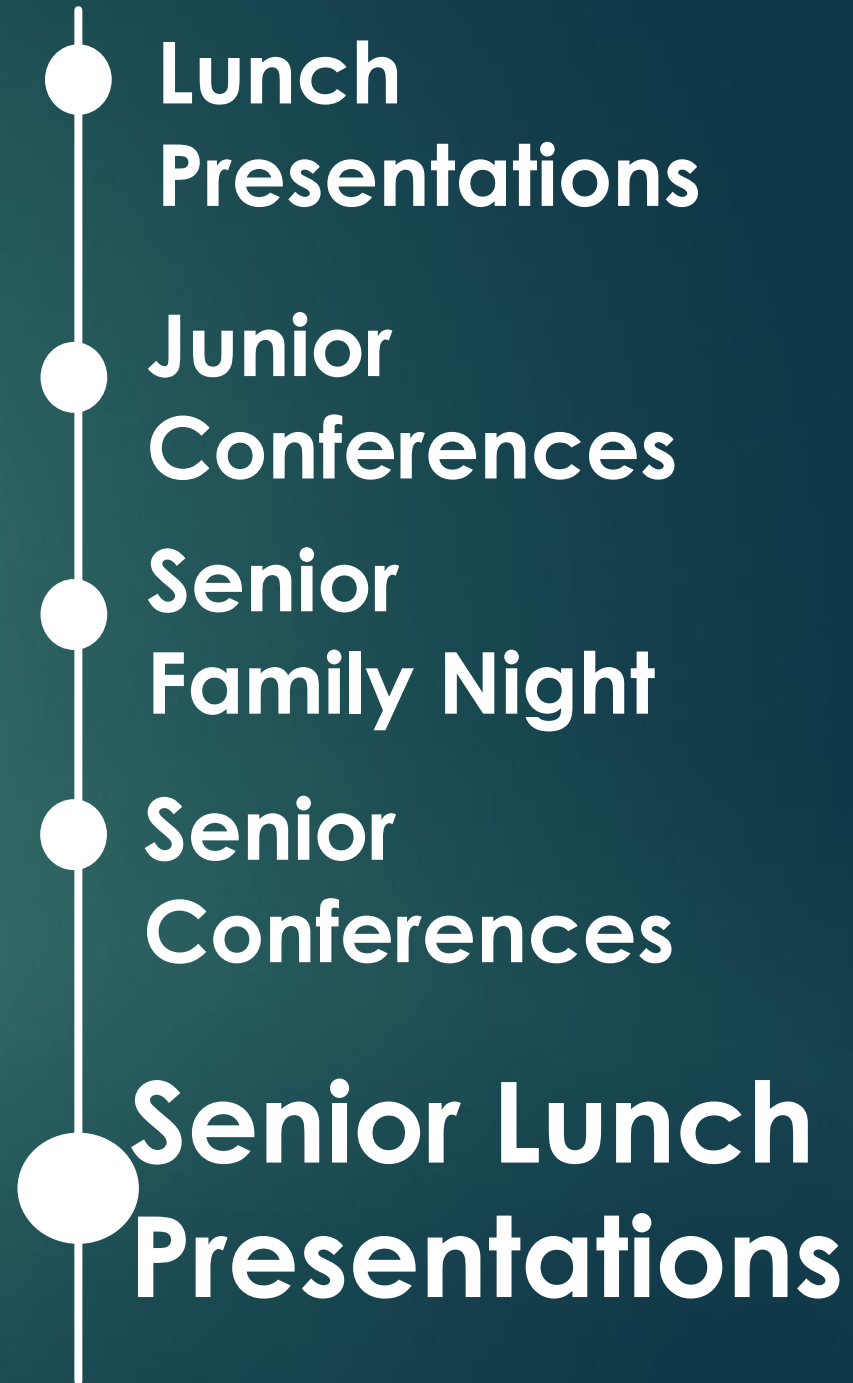


- Lunch
Presentations
- Junior
Conferences
- **Senior
Family Night**
- Senior
Conferences
- Senior Lunch
Presentations

- Graduation progress
- Post-secondary plans
- College application help
- Scholarships
- Essay help
- Answer questions



- ✓ Common App Walk-Through
- ✓ Opportunities at Wake Tech
- ✓ Financial Aid & Scholarships





What should we be
doing now to prepare
for our future?

Fall/Winter of Junior Year:

- ❑ Begin exploring college and other post-secondary options.
- ❑ Determine if your next step will be a 4-year university, community college, trade school, military, or the job force.
- ❑ Bigfuture.collegeboard.org

Fall/Winter of Junior Year:

- ❑ Research majors and colleges offering your intended major.
- ❑ Volunteer or seek leadership positions.
- ❑ Investigate ACT/SAT requirements.
- ❑ Military/ROTC scholarships start junior year.

Spring of Junior Year:

- ❑ Start visiting potential colleges.
- ❑ Take the SAT/ACT, if necessary.
- ❑ Talk with teachers about course recommendations for senior year.
- ❑ Take AP exams, if applicable.

Spring of Junior Year:

- ❑ Meet with your counselor for your junior conference.
- ❑ Research summer opportunities:
 - ❑ CFNC has a searchable list of opportunities under “College Preparation Opportunities.”

Summer Junior Year:

- ❑ Attend college tours or open house opportunities.
- ❑ Begin your Common App essay.
- ❑ Remember this is the last summer for enrichment opportunities to show up on your college applications.

Extracurricular Involvement

- ❑ Remember just joining versus true involvement: “quality over quantity.”
- ❑ Sustained involvement.
- ❑ Consider leadership positions.

Fall of Senior Year:

- ❑ Come to Senior Family Night!
- ❑ Complete college applications:
 - ❑ Early deadlines tend to be October 15 – November 15
- ❑ Attend your senior counselor conference.
- ❑ Senior year course selections are strongly considered in admissions!

Spring of Senior Year:

- Apply to any regular decision choices by January 15th.
- Finalize scholarship applications.
- Apply to community colleges.
- Start job applications.

Spring of Senior Year:

College decision submitted
by May 1st!!!

Many colleges will want final senior
year transcripts.

What are colleges looking for?



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Program: How rigorous is your coursework?

Performance: How well have you done? What are your grades and growth?

Potential: Shown in standardized tests.

Participation: Commitments outside of the classroom.

Personality: Shown in essay and teacher/counselor recommendations. BE YOURSELF- in your own words!



What Should I Look For in a College?

Information to Compare	Institution Name 1	Institution Name 2	Institution Name 3
Main Website			
Location (City, State)			
4-year or 2-year			
Total Undergraduate Enrollment			
Average Class Size			
Majors I'm Interested In			
Average Cost Per Year			
Clubs/Organizations			
Admissions Requirements			
Scholarships			
Is Housing Required for First Year Students?			
Housing Style			
Parking/Having a Car on Campus			



ACT College
Comparison Worksheet

Session 1
6:35 – 7:00

Career and College Promise (CCP)
Room: Auditorium

Scholarships and Financial Aid
Room: Media Center

**Career Exploration &
Community College Options**
Room: 200

Session 2
7:05 – 7:30

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Room: Auditorium

Scholarships and Financial Aid
Room: Media Center

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