## COLLEGE AND CAREER **AWARENESS** For **Middle Schoolers**





Go to email for link - Look for this email:

College & Career Awareness

Or type in the web address:



## Sign up for a PCCR meeting!

- I need to meet with every 8th grader and their parent!
- Sign up for a time on the digital schedule (link in email)
- You can change your the school or by going
- Fill out the letter home you signed up for and



appointment by calling to the link in your email

with the appointment time give it to your parents

• Come!!! You will be put in for a drawing for a prize for coming in with a parent!

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



### 7 Tips

for using the High School years to prepare for your future college and career goals!

### **TIP #1: GET INVOLVED in High School**

Studies have shown that involved kids like high school more and get better grades!

#### Find out about yourself by TRYING NEW THINGS - classes, extracurricular activities

- Sports Swim, Tenis, Golf, Wrestling, Baseball, Volleyball, Football, Basketball
- Art
- Rodeo
- Theatre
- Student Government
- Music Band, Percussion, Choir

- Computer classes Journalism or Yearbook classes Clubs like Rabbit Pack for school spirit Governor's Youth Council (GYC) for service Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO's) leadership, work and lit Future Farmers of America (FFA) Ag classes Future Business Leaders of America CTSO (FBLA) Business classes Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) personal and family skills classés
  - Technology Student Association (TSA) Technology and engineering classes SkillsUSA Skills learning for top industries Ο
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#### Extracurricular involvement looks great on resumes for jobs, and on college and scholarship applications!



# For future college, scholarship, and job applications:

#### Keep a record of any high school activities, involvements and accomplishments and the dates they happened:

- Extra curricular activities: Sports, Music, Clubs, etc.
- Educational achievements science fair, essay contests, National Honor Society
- Service opportunities in the school or community
- Leadership opportunities in the school or community
- Awards and recognition Music, sports, academics, etc.
- Summer Camps Music, Sports, Leadership, Science, Girl's/Boys State
- Private lessons Music, Sports, etc.
- Employment
- Volunteer work
- Any involvements at all Junior American Legion, Youth town council, private performances
- Take Pictures if you plan to be a sterling scholar you will need pics for a portfolio



## Tip #2: MAKE NEW FRIENDS!!!

- You can't have too many friends.
- Be a POSITIVE friend yourself!
- Remember to be your own best friend and biggest cheerleader.
- Don't wait for your friends to get involved.
   Get involved and make friends everywhere you go.





High School seems scary now, but it's not! Give it a chance and give yourself a chance to LOVE it!

### **Tip #4:** Take charge of your education! It's under your control. You Decide!

- Getting a good education helps you:
  - Socially makes you a well rounded, knowledgeable
     and interesting person
  - Have the knowledge you need to enter the workforce
  - Prepare for college and career goals
  - Do well on the ACT college entrance exam -

The Domino Effect

Good Grades + Good ACT score = \$\$\$\$ College Academic Scholarship

\*\*\*Don't let yourself struggle. Ask for help if you need it!

#### Scholarship Table/Calculator – Every college website has one. Here is Snow College's for 2020-2021



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#### Scholarship Calculator

#### UTAH RESIDENT ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP CHART

Index Score	Scholarship Level		
64+	Presidential		
	Amount: 100% of tuition + student fees; renewable Required GPA and Credits to Maintain Scholarship: 3.7+ and 15 credits Criteria: GPA and ACT/SAT		
59-63	Dean		
	Amount: 50% of tuition; renewable Required GPA and Credits to Maintain Scholarship: 3.25+ and 15 credits Criteria: GPA and ACT/SAT		
54-58	Academic Achievement		
	Amount: 33% of tuition; renewable		
	Required GPA and Credits to Maintain Scholarship: 3.0+ and 15 credits Criteria: GPA and ACT/SAT		
47-53	Honors		
	Amount: 10% of tuition; 1 year		
	Required GPA and Credits to Maintain Scholarship: 3.0+ and 12 credits Criteria: GPA and ACT/SAT		

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# GPA ACT Score Breaks Ties



## **\*COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM**

# Consider taking the ACT at least twice! **WHY?**

- Required by some colleges for acceptance and some scholarships
   People typically do better the 2nd time
  - Highest score counts
  - Even one point can make the difference in getting a scholarship
  - You will take it for free, in school your junior year of High School

## Go to act.org to sign up

#### Tip #5 Don't Stress about :

- What you want to be when you grow up OR
- What EDUCATION or JOB TRAINING you want to do after High School?



## MajorClarity.com

can help you to start thinking about and exploring ideas! (log in with google!)

#### Remember - 1,2, 4 or More (years)



See Utah System of Higher Education Web site: http://www.utahmajors.org/certificates-and-degrees





# Tip #6 Start funding your college education NOW!!

#### Open up a SAVINGS account -

- Consider the UTAH EDUCATIONAL SAVINGS PLAN (UESP) at UESP.org
- Decide how much, a percentage, of every cent you earn or get will go into savings for your future.
- $\circ$  Stick to your plan. You will be glad you did when it is time to go off on your own.

Plan on doing well in high school and being involved in activities so you can get **SCHOLARSHIPS** based on merit (good grades and ACT scores) and based on what you have accomplished in other ways.



### Scholarships and where the can be found:

- Use college research engines or google search to find scholarships on anything
- Academic offered by colleges to recruit students
- Athletic requires college recruitment
- Leadership look on college scholarship pages, scholarship search engines, google
- Service same as leadership
- Field of experience/expertise (Drama, Music, Science, Math, Health, STEM etc.)
- Local scholarships ask your high school counselor about these. They come out in March of your Senior year
- State Scholarships Technical Education Scholarship, Opportunity Scholarship, etc.- Go to <u>https://ushe.edu/state-scholarships-aid/</u>
- Need Based Scholarships and Grants FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), etc.



### **FAFSA** Free Application for Federal Student Aid

- Apply at FAFSA.gov
  - Federal Grants (PELL Grants) Money for college you won't have to pay back as long as grades are good. Based on need.
  - Federal Student Loans Money you borrow for college that has to be paid back—even if you don't graduate. Lower interest rates, flexible repayment options compared to private loans. You do not pay them back (deferment) while you are a student.
- The sooner you apply, the more funding you may receive!
- Application opens OCTOBER 1 of your senior year



# Tip #7 With your school counselor and guardian/s, develop a **4-year High School Plan:**



High School graduation requirements

- College entrance requirements 4th year of math, Foreign Language
- Scholarship Requirements Sterling Scholar, Opportunity Scholarship (college level CE Eng, Math, Science), Academic Scholarships from colleges)

• CTE Pathway courses

- College/High school Concurrent Enrollment courses
  - NCAA requirements (to play college sports)

#### 4 YEAR HIGH SCHOOL PLAN – Suggested Sequence

\*Required credits for High School Graduation

Graduation Requirement – 28 Credits 8 credits possible each year or 7 if you take Seminary (Release Time) every year 3 credit college classes are worth 1 High School credit, even when they are only a semester long A season of any sport and Marching Band count for .5 credit

9 <sup>th</sup> GRADE Explore College & Career		10 <sup>th</sup> GRADE Plan College & Career		11 <sup>th</sup> GRADE Decide College & Car	12 <sup>th</sup> GRADE Apply to College & Career		
You can Start taking the ACT colli- entrance exam anytime in high sci Take as often as you like. Some co- require it to get in. Some scholars require it. Highest score counts. ( ACT.org to sign up	hool. Ileges ships	Take ACT by February if taking col English 1010 as a Junior. Go to AC' to sign up. Students may begin to take a limi assortment of concurrent enrollm college class – IVC or Face-to-Fa	f.org ted ent	ACT test given in school in the spring FREE. Used for end of year testing Juniors.		Last chance to take ACT – 1 <sup>st</sup> sem. To after that. Go to ACT.org to sign	
*Language Arts 9	1	*Language Arts 10	1	*Language Arts 11 or ENG 1010-ACT score of 17-Eng	1	*Language Arts 12 or ENG 2010	1
*Secondary Math I	1	*Secondary Math II	1	*Secondary Math III	1	College Math (College Bound) - Math 1030 Quantitative LitFA A ACT score of 21-Math or Aleks Math 1040 Statistics-SS or Nursing ACT score of 22-Math or Aleks Math 1050 College Alg-Math/Sci ACT score of 23-Math or Aleks	1
*Found. Science - Biology/Bio Ag college bound students or Earth Systems not college bound students	1	*Found. Science - Earth Systems Not college bound students or Chemistry College bound students	1	*Elective Science - Any Science- (including available college level options	1	*U.S. Gov .5 or POLS 1100 *Financial Literacy or BUS 1210	.5 .5
*Geography	1	*World Civilizations	1	*U.S. History	1	*Electives - Foreign Language, Seminary (Release Time), CTE pathway, CTE internship, Work Release, TA, College classes	1
*PE: Fit 4 Life - required PE	.5	*PE Classes or sports – 2 different sports for both 	1	*Electives - Foreign Language, Seminary (Release Time),CTE pathway, College classes	1		1
*Digital Studies - Business Office Specialist or Computer Science	.5	*Health	.5		1		1
*Fine Arts - 1.5 credits required for graduation	1	*Fine Arts - including available college level options	.5		1		1
*CTE — 1 credit required for Graduation	1	*Electives - Foreign Language, Seminary (Release Time), CTE pathway, College classes	1		1		1
*Electives - Foreign Language, Seminary (Release Time), CTE pathway	1		1				
TOTAL CREDITS	8	TOTAL CREDITS	8	TOTAL CREDITS	8	TOTAL CREDITS	8

4 Year High School Plan Created during 8th grade individual PCCR meeting with student, parent and counselor.

> \*High School Requirements listed



#### Apply your Jr. year & work on it throughout your Jr. and Sr. year

- Sterling Scholars apply and are named during their Junior year.
- They are recognized and awarded for scholarship, leadership and citizenship in one of the following categories:

General Social Science	English Science	Family & Consumer Science Computer Technology
Business & Marketing	Math	Foreign Language
Speech & Drama	Music	Visual Arts
Agricultural Science	Dance	Trade & Technical Education

- Sr. year, present a portfolio on work in specific category, leadership and service & an interview by judges.
- Awards are given at the high school, semi-final and finals levels. At the finals awards ceremony, winners and the runner's up for each category are announced.
- Scholarships or tuition waivers are available from participating colleges.
- Ask your school counselor or a supervising teacher for an application and info early in your junior year
- For more info http://www.sterlingscholar.org/how-do-i-become-a-sterling-scholar/

## **OPPORTUNITY** SCHOLARSHIP

- This is a state of Utah Scholarship.
- It is NOT a competitive scholarship! If you meet the requirements and apply on time, you will receive the scholarship.
- Scholarship amount varies based on program funding, your financial need and the following requirements:
  - Earn a 3.3 cumulative high school GPA
  - Complete 1 college level course in each of the core areas of high school graduation:
    - Math Math 1030, 1040, 1050 (with Mr. Hansen)
    - Science Physics (with Mr. Hansen), Human Biology (IVC), Chemistry (IVC)
    - Language arts English 1010 (with Mrs. Fullmer or through IVC)
  - Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

#### \* Go to opportunityscholasrhip.org for more info

### CTE (Career and Technical Education) Pathways

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- Explore career options by taking classes that teach job skills nursing, welding, accounting, etc.
- Complete 3 classes in a CTE pathway earn a certificate and a special cord to wear with cap and gown at graduation.
- Develops strong academic skills, hands-on learning and real-world problem-solving skills.
- Prepares students for on the job training, trade or technical school, two or four-year college program.
- Some classes earn college credit in High School.
- https://schools.utah.gov/cte/pathways

#### You can do **COLLEGE** in High School! - Saves \$\$\$

- You can take SNOW college classes JR & SR year (Soph. year with approval) 3.0 GPA required
- One college class can cost hundreds of dollars. Taking the same class in high school through Snow College IVC (Interactive Video Conferencing) or concurrent enrollment is usually \$15 a class.
- Some college classes can fill both High School requirements & College General Education requirements (classes everyone has to take no matter what major).
   English 1010 Expository Composition instead of High school Language arts 12 (Sr year)

  - Political Science 1100 American National Gov. **instead of** High school U.S. Government (Sr year)
  - Business 1210 Personal Finance instead of High School General Financial Literacy (Sr Year)
  - French 1010 and 1020 instead of High School Spanish 1 and 2
- Snow College General Education certificate of completion
  - Gets you a year and a half ahead in college.
  - You have to take about 6 specific college classes your Junior and Senior year.
  - Snow college classes transfer easily to the other public universities in Utah.
  - All public Utah colleges recognize the Snow letter of completion and wave all general education requirements if you have it. You can begin work on your major and electives.



NCAA.orgIf you want to play sports in college, you will need to register at<br/>www.eligibilitycenter.org. AND be sure to take 16 required courses to be eligible.<br/>(talk to the school counselor)

	Participants at US High Schools	NCAA Participants	Overall % HS to NCAA	% HS to NCAA Division I	% HS to NCAA Division II	% HS to NCAA Division III
Men						
Baseball	488,815	34,554	7.1%	2.1%	2.2%	2.8%
Basketball	546,428	18,684	3.4%	1.0%	1.0%	1.4%
Cross Country	257,691	14,412	5.6%	1.9%	1.4%	2.3%
Football	1,083,308	73,660	6.8%	2.6%	1.8%	2.4%
Golf	146,677	8,676	5.9%	2.0%	1.7%	2.2%
Ice Hockey	35,155	4,102	11.7%	4.6%	0.5%	6.5%
Lacrosse	109,522	13,446	12.3%	2.9%	2.3%	7.1%
Soccer	440,322	24,803	5.6%	1.3%	1.5%	2.8%
Swimming	133,470	9,455	7.1%	2.8%	1.1%	3.2%
Tennis	157,201	8,092	5.1%	1.7%	1.1%	2.4%
Track & Field	591,133	28,334	4.8%	1.9%	1.2%	1.7%
Volleyball	55,417	1,899	3.4%	0.7%	0.8%	1.9%
Water Polo	21,857	1,014	4.6%	2.6%	0.7%	1.3%
Wrestling	250,653	7,075	2.8%	1.0%	0.8%	1.0%
Women						
Basketball	429,380	16,593	3.9%	1.2%	1.1%	1.6%
Cross Country	222,516	15,958	7.2%	2.7%	1.8%	2.7%
Field Hockey	59,793	6,032	10.1%	3.0%	1.2%	5.8%
Golf	74,762	5,293	7.1%	2.9%	2.1%	2.1%
Ice Hockey	9,514	2,289	24.1%	9.0%	1.0%	14.0%
Lacrosse	88,050	11,375	12.9%	3.8%	2.6%	6.5%
Soccer	381,529	27,358	7.2%	2.4%	1.9%	2.9%
Softball	366,685	19,680	5.4%	1.6%	1.6%	2.1%
Swimming	166,747	12,356	7.4%	3.3%	1.1%	3.0%
Tennis	183,800	8,933	4.9%	1.6%	1.1%	2.2%
Track & Field	485,969	29,048	6.0%	2.7%	1.5%	1.8%
Volleyball	436,309	17,119	3.9%	1.2%	1.1%	1.6%
Water Polo	20.230	1,136	5.6%	3.3%	1.0%	1.3%



#### NCAA Research – Estimated Probability of Competing in College athletics 2017. (Have a plan B just in case) Found at http://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/2015-16RES\_Probability\_Chart\_Web\_20170314.pdf

#### In the words of Dr. Seuss:



# **ANY Questions????**

## Don't forget your PCCR MEETING: Build your 4-year plan! Sign up!!

Come with your parent and you will be put in for a drawing!

# Post Survey! Go to:

#### https://forms.gle/vPTN37kXmzZAuAqL7

Check out the Delta Middle School Counseling Website for more info on College and Career Awareness!

