



# North Hagerstown School Counseling Newsletter

November- December Issue

## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: JAMES ALESHIRE

We have had a great start to the school year. With the change in the calendar it seems as if we just started the school year. However, we are at the end of our Fall sports season and the end of marking period 1. If you have not signed up or accessed your ParentVue account to see your child(rens) grades please contact the guidance office so we can ensure you have access. For our seniors and parents of seniors there is a very important meeting on Dec. 1st. This is the meeting where students will receive information about graduation supplies. Graduation this year is June 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm at NHHS. The staff is still developing our 1:1 initiative-we have stressed with students the importance of having their iPad each day and utilizing it for work. We will continue our biweekly checks of iPads and have included this year as part of our Good Standing Program. The staff has worked very hard in utilizing Google Classroom, not only for their individual classes, but we have also created a Google Classroom for each graduating class. This resource along with our school website, Facebook and Twitter page allows us to reach our community in many different ways. There is also a new way to purchase Hub Gear for yourself, your student or another family member-

<https://schoolstore.jostens.com/school/maryland/hagerstown/north-hagerstown-high-school->

We have made this link available on our school website-Jostens School Store. There are hundreds of different items already designed for our North High Community that you can order that will be delivered directly to your home. I would personally like to thank you for your continued support to our school and our community.



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### Counseling Department:

Grade 12- Mr. Gest  
Grade 11- Ms. Spragley  
Grade 10- Mr. Palmer  
Grade 9- Ms. Eck

Guidance Secretary- Mrs. Grove  
Registrar- Mrs. Waugerman

### Contact Information:

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### Marking Period Dates:

Marking Period 1: November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Interim 2: December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Marking Period 2: January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Interim 3: February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
Marking Period 3: March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Interim 4: May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Marking Period 4: June 8<sup>th</sup> 2018

### College & Career Counselor:

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College Coaching: During the Day  
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**College Visit Schedule:**

Many colleges and universities come to North High and meet with students in the Counseling Center. Juniors and Seniors may sign up for 3 visits per semester. **The list of schools coming to North grows daily.** See the up-to-date list of college visits on your Naviance account under the College Tab. Click on "College Visits" and you can sign up to attend with one click. You will receive a pass on the day of the visit to leave class and attend. If you have any questions, see Mrs. Grove in guidance.

**Currently scheduled schools include:**

- Forstburg State University- Wednesday, 11/1 @ 10:00AM
- Davis & Elkins College- Monday, 11/6 @ 9:00AM
- University of Maine- Monday, 11/6 @ 11:00AM
- Duke Kunshan University- Tuesday, 11/7 @ 10:00AM
- Bridgewater College- Monday, 11/13 @ 9:00AM
- THE Temple: A Paul Mitchell School- Monday, 11/13 @ 11:00AM



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**Upcoming Events/Deadlines**

**Senior Class Meeting:**

December, 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 during 3<sup>rd</sup> Mod

**FAFSA Opened:**

October, 1<sup>st</sup> 2017

**State of Maryland FAFSA Deadline:**

March, 1<sup>st</sup> 2018

**College and Career Fair @ North High**

March, 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 during the school day

**PSAT Distribution- Grades 9-11:**

Early January, 2018

**ASVAB Interpretation:**

November, 13<sup>th</sup> 2017 @ 9AM

**AP Test Registration Deadline:**

February, 14<sup>th</sup> 2018

**CLASS OF 2018:  
IT'S YOUR TURN!!**

**SENIOR REMINDERS:**

**GEST'S TIPS FOR NOVEMBER- DECEMBER**

- Students must use their Naviance Family Connections account for their college application process.
- In order for me to send your transcript to colleges, you MUST have ONE parent signed transcript request form on file in the guidance office.
- If you are applying to a 4-year school and have NOT yet taken your SAT or ACT: Register for the earliest test available. If you have free or reduced lunch, see Mr. Gest for a fee waiver.
- Remember- you must send your official test scores to colleges directly from the College Board (SAT) or the ACT site.
- The 17-18 FAFSA has been released. You need to complete this ASAP! See below for more details!

**10<sup>th</sup> GRADE TECH HIGH VISIT AND APPLICATION SCHEDULE**

**VISIT SCHEDULE**

**Wednesday 11/1- ALL Girls will visit**

**Thursday 11/7- ALL Boys will visit**

**Full Day return Visits- Dec 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>**



**APPLICATION SCHEDULE**

**Once students complete their full day return visit:**

**Students will complete the application.**

**Questionnaires will be mailed out in February, 2018.**

**Students must complete questionnaire to apply.**

**Acceptance letters will be mailed to students in April 2018.**

**TESTING UPDATES**

**ACT TEST DATES**

Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	August 4 <sup>th</sup>	August 5 <sup>th</sup>
October 28 <sup>th</sup>	September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	September 23 <sup>rd</sup>
December 9 <sup>th</sup>	November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	November 17 <sup>th</sup>
February 10 <sup>th</sup>	January 12 <sup>th</sup>	January 13 <sup>th</sup>
April 14 <sup>th</sup>	March 9 <sup>th</sup>	March 10 <sup>th</sup>
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	May 5 <sup>th</sup>



**SAT TEST DATES**

Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration
October 7 <sup>th</sup>	September 8 <sup>th</sup>	September 27 <sup>th</sup>
November 4 <sup>th</sup>	October 5 <sup>th</sup>	October 25 <sup>th</sup>
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	November 21 <sup>st</sup>
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	February 9 <sup>th</sup>	February 28 <sup>th</sup>
May 5 <sup>th</sup>	April 6 <sup>th</sup>	April 25 <sup>th</sup>
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>



**TEST PREP INFORMATION- SAT/ACT and Accuplacer & Additional Test Support**

**Google Classroom:**

Steps to join: Go to [classroom.google.com](https://classroom.google.com)  
 Log into your WCPS student account:  
**User name:** your 5/3@wcps.k12.md.us  
**Password:** wcps(your student ID #)  
 Click on the + symbol on the top right and click **JOIN A CLASS:**

**SAT Class is- SAT Prep 2017-2018.** Class code is: **cbxqke**

**ACT Class is- ACT Prep 2017-2018.** Class code is: **jwik3a**

**Accuplacer Class is- Accuplacer Prep 2017-2018.** Class code is: **h543dcb**

**Additional Test Support:**

**Test Prep for SAT/ACT:**

Monday Mornings 8:00-8:30 in room 210  
 Thursday Afternoons 3:30-4:30 in room 210  
 See Ms. Best or Mrs. Barnhart to sign up



**REQUIRED STATE TESTING UPDATES**

**PARCC Testing Dates:**

English: Jan 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Math: Jan 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>

**H.S.A Testing Date:**

Government: Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

**MISA Testing Date:**

Science: Jan 8<sup>th</sup>

It is imperative that you are in school ON TIME if you are taking an assessment in January. If you have any questions about testing, see your school counselor ASAP.

## Reminder- NAVIANCE Information

**NAVIANCE FAMILY CONNECTIONS SITE: SENIORS**

All seniors have logged-in to their Naviance Family Connections site and visited several of the search tools on their accounts. Any student who is applying to a 4-year college or university will need to follow the steps below to add colleges to their list as well as request transcripts and letters of recommendation.

**Adding College Applications**

- On the top left hand side of the page, click on the **Colleges Tab**
- Click on the link to **Colleges I'm Applying To**
- **Match your Common Application Account** by following the directions
- Click on **Add to this list**- Add all of your Non-Common Application Schools
- Click on the **Request Transcripts link**- Request your transcripts directly
- Click on the **Letters of Recommendation link**- Request teacher letters of recommendation

**Logging-in to Naviance Family Connections Site**

- Go to:  
<http://connection.naviance.com/northhhs>
- Enter your five and three for your username.
- Enter wcps and your school ID number for the password (ex. wcps12345).

**Welcome to Family Connection**

Nice to see you again! Please log in.

e-mail

northstu

password

 remember me

Log in

[forgot your password?](#)[need additional help?](#)

are you new here?

[I need to register](#)

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**Scholarship Searching:**

- On the top left hand side of the page, click on the **Colleges Tab**.
- On the bottom left hand side of the page, click on the **Scholarship List**.
- On the bottom right hand side of the page, click on **National Scholarship Search**
- On homepage- **Scholarship News** link is the **WCPS Scholarship Newsletter**

**FAFSA: When do you complete it?**

- FAFSA opened October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Seniors looking to attend any type of program after high school **MUST** complete the FAFSA by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Some 4 year colleges have earlier deadlines than March 1<sup>st</sup>- check websites for details.
- Parents will use their 2016 tax returns to complete the FAFSA
- FAFSA is **TOTALLY FREE!!**
- [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

See Mr. Gest or Ms. Davis with questions

**AFTER SCHOOL TWILIGHT PROGRAM**

If you are struggling in your classes: We have support for you!

When: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday AFTER SCHOOL from 3:30-4:30

IN THE MEDIA CENTER

TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE- The bus leaves at 4:30pm

See your Counselor OR Assistant Principal for more information.

