

Warren High School

Guidance Department

Senior Newsletter September 2023

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Steps for College Application

1. Apply online when possible – watch for deadlines
2. Request a transcript from the Guidance Office
3. Provide a brag sheet to anyone writing a recommendation
4. Research and apply for scholarships
5. **Submit FAFSA online beginning December 1**
6. Compare financial aid packages from colleges
7. Decide on a college and submit acceptance by May 1 paying any required deposits
8. Reserve housing and pay deposit
9. Apply for a student loan, complete promissory note and loan counseling at www.studentloans.gov
10. Request a final transcript
11. Request a transcript from the college granting credit for CCP or Dual Enrollment classes

Paying for College

FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid

PELL Grants – Federal money granted based on need, do not pay back, apply with FAFSA

Ohio Grants – State money based on need and additional criteria, do not pay back

Federal Student Loan – Given to student, must pay back, lower interest rate, FAFSA

Parent PLUS Loan – Given to parent, must pay back, lower interest rate, FAFSA

Private Student Loan – Loan from a financial institution, must pay back, higher interest rate

Institution Scholarships – Based on merit, offered by college

Local Scholarships – Most based on merit and criteria selected by granting organization

Priority Application and Scholarship Deadlines

Students must apply by the priority application deadline at many schools to be considered for scholarship awards. Check the school's website for dates.

Common Application

The Common Application is an online college admission application that applicants may use to apply to any of 731 member colleges and universities including Ohio University, Ohio State University and Marietta College. It can be found at: www.commonapp.org

College Representative Visits

College reps often visit during lunches and PLP. All visits will be included in the daily announcements and posted on the TVs in the cafeteria. A link to sign up for visits during PLP will be included Mrs. Higgins' Monday email.

SAVE THE DATE!

Financial Aid Night

For Seniors and Parents

Tuesday, November 14 at 6:00pm

WHS Cafeteria

Check out the Guidance Webpage!

whs.warrenlocal.org

STAY IN THE KNOW!

Join the Class of 2024 Google Classroom

Use Code: **y5qqu7x**

NCAA Eligibility

Planning to play a sport in college?

By the end of your junior year, have you:

- ✓ Created an account at eligibilitycenter.org?
- ✓ Taken the correct coursework?
- ✓ Maintained the required GPA in core subjects?
- ✓ Earned the required ACT or SAT scores?
- ✓ Sent your test score report to code 9999?
- ✓ Requested a transcript from the Guidance Office?

Info Needed for College Application

High School Information

- CEEB Code: 365265
- Class Rank is exact and unweighted
- GPA scale 4.0
- Class of 2023 Size: 164

Parent Information

- Occupation
- Job title
- Education level
- Name and location of college attended
- Degree earned
- Year degree earned

Student Information

- Copy of your transcript
- Copy of college admission test scores and date of test
- Citizenship information – Social Security Number
- State of residence and length of residence
- Academic honors and list of activities

Best College Search Websites

College Board's Big Future – for students who are unsure of how to go about the search process

College Navigator – reliable data about colleges from National Center for Educational Statistics

College Insight – an easy way to compare colleges based on data

Cappex – compare schools, calculate admissions chances and financial aid, finding a good match

College Confidential – match schools based on personal preferences

Niche – student reviews and letter grades for all aspects of student life

Unigo – rates schools on factors including safety, political activity, arts culture, greek life, etc

College Admission Testing

ACT Testing

Cost: \$63

To Register Go To: www.actstudent.org

Share your test results with Warren High School when registering and the college you wish to attend
HS Code: 365265

Crisis Hotline

ARE YOU OR A FRIEND IN CRISIS?

Text or Call 988

Free and anonymous counselor support 24/7