

# NORTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING & COLLEGE CAREER INFORMATION NEWS BULLETIN

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The 2021-2022 school year will begin on **August 30, 2021**. We are looking forward to a successful year for your son/daughter at Northwest High School. This news bulletin contains important information to make this an outstanding academic year for your child.



### SCHEDULES will be distributed to students through homeroom on August 30, 2021.

Homeroom will begin promptly at **7:45 a.m.** Homeroom assignment lists will be posted in all hallways. Students are encouraged to arrive by **7:30 a.m.** in order to find their homeroom assignment. All students are expected to attend homeroom in order to receive their schedule.

**Students who have attended summer school and passed their class should call their counselor immediately to change their schedule to reflect the summer school credit received.**

The counselors have worked hard to reconcile any conflicts that have occurred in your student's schedules. Wherever possible, the alternative class your child selected during the registration process replaced the class in conflict. If it was not possible to fit in their alternative choice, another class from the same discipline was used to replace the class in conflict.

**Schedule Changes** will be minimized when the school year begins. We will focus only on the following three reasons:

1. The student is missing a period in schedule.
2. The student is in the wrong level class.
3. A senior needs a course for graduation

If you have any concerns regarding your child's schedule, please contact your child's counselor so the schedule can be reviewed prior to the opening of school. We are looking forward to a great school year.

## **HIGH SCHOOL PLUS**

The goal of the Northwest High School Plus extended day program is to ensure that students pass courses required for graduation. This program is only for students who have failed a course that is required for graduation. Students most in need of High School Plus are identified through end-of-course grades and input from school counselors. Students who would benefit from this program are encouraged to take advantage of this free opportunity to earn credit.

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## **COLLEGE CAREER TESTING & REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

All seniors should research their colleges testing admission requirements and plan to take the ACT or SAT in the fall of their senior year.

**ALL TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING SITES:**

**SAT Registration:** <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat>

**ACT Registration:** [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)



### **ACT Test Date Registration Information:**

The **late registration** deadline for the **September 11 ACT** is **August 20** (the next test option is October 23)

### **SAT Test Date Registration Information:**

Register by **September 3** for the **October 2 SAT** (**last test option** for electronic delivery of scores to colleges to meet the November 1 application deadline). The **late registration** deadline for the **August 28 SAT** is **August 17**.

**ACCUPLACER** testing information (for seniors planning to attend Montgomery College) is available @ [www.montgomerycollege.edu](http://www.montgomerycollege.edu). Search 'Accuplacer'.

Interested sophomores, juniors and seniors have the opportunity to take the **ASVAB** on **February 6, 2022** at 7:45 am. Students must have parent permission to take the ASVAB. Permission forms will be available before winter break on our College Career [web page](#) (under 'College Career Quick Links' → 'College & Career Exploration Programs'). The ASVAB is a great career exploration tool, offered at no cost to students and at no obligation to the military.



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### **SENIORS AND THE COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS:**

Counselors will be presenting information to seniors at the beginning of the school year on how to apply to college at Northwest. Each senior will receive materials needed to assist him or her with this process. Additionally, Counselors will be facilitating two meetings to help parents and students navigate their way to graduation and beyond. A virtual meeting is planned for August 17 at 7:00 pm. The information presented at the August 17 will be repeated on September 20 beginning at 7:00 pm in the Northwest High School auditorium. No RSVP is required.



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### **COLLEGE CAREER FAIRS**

(DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE COLLEGE CAREER [WEB PAGE](#) FOR ALL COLLEGE FAIR EVENTS):

The **National College Fair**, sponsored by the National Hispanic College Fund, Inc., is a highly anticipated event in the fall for seniors and parents. Northwest will participate in a field trip during the school day with bus transportation provided at no cost to the student. The college fair date and location will be announced after the start of the school year. Permission forms will be available in the College/Career Information Center.

The **Montgomery County College Fair** is a spring event. Details on Northwest High School student participation will be available after winter break. The fair will open to current juniors and parents.



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### **NAVIANCE | STUDENT:**

All Northwest students and parents should be registered! To preview some of the **NAVIANCE | STUDENT** features and resources, visit as our guest by using this web address @ <https://student.naviance.com/northwest>. **NAVIANCE | STUDENT** registration and use is required for the senior year college application process. Visit the College Career Information Center or see one of our counselors to have accounts set up or request a reset of account credentials.

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### **HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE CAREER VISITS:**

Representatives from colleges and universities reach out to Northwest High School every year to connect with students and share information about their campuses. Sessions can be virtual or in-person. Sessions will be publicized on our Google [College Career Events](#) calendar and in Naviance. Information on how to participate in these sessions will be posted on the College Career [web page](#). These are excellent opportunities to learn more about schools. Students should do their research to make the information session more meaningful.



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### **FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Northwest High School's 2021 graduates received **millions of dollars** in scholarship offers. Scholarships are available from colleges and from a variety of individuals and organizations. Students should check for scholarships on the College Career [web page](#). Seniors should be aware of scholarship opportunities as well as check financial aid information for each college to which they plan to apply. Scholarship criteria will vary for each opportunity. Seniors and parents registered with **NAVIANCE | STUDENT** will have scholarship information included in the weekly **College Career News Bulletin** email. **The NWHS Financial Aid Seminar date is October 6, 7:00 pm. The seminar will be virtual.**