

Welcome,  
Parents and Students to  
**Junior Parent  
Night**  
2019

# TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

- \* Junior year information
- \* What to expect in senior year
- \* Senior Project
- \* Jump Start Program
- \* Advanced Placement program
- \* Standardized tests
- \* College admissions
- \* Millennium Scholarship
- \* Scholarships and financial aid

# Junior Year is Important For:

- \* College prep testing
- \* College exploration
- \* Visiting college campuses
- \* Career exploration
- \* Improving GPA

# Considerations for Senior Year

- \* Take as many classes as you can (they're free here!)
- \* Take challenging college-bound classes.
- \* Don't drop classes!
- \* Keep up GPA through 8<sup>th</sup> semester.
- \* May need to take 6 classes if not college/career ready.

# Senior Year Expenses

- \* College Application Fees
- \* Cap and Gown
- \* Graduation Announcements
- \* Senior Pictures
- \* Yearbook
- \* Lab/AP Fees, SAT/ACT, Book Fines
- \* Prom
- \* Safe Grad

# Graduation Requirements

- \* 4 English
- \* 4 Math
- \* 2 History
- \* 1 Government/Economics
- \* 3 Science
- \* 2 PE
- \* 1 Humanities/CTE
- \* ½ Computer
- \* ½ Health
- \* 6 Electives
- \* 24 total credits
- \* Senior Project
- \* Take ACT Exam
- \* Millennium Scholarship eligibility includes Algebra II

# Diploma Options

**Standard Diploma**

24 credits

**Advanced Diploma**

26 credits, 3.25 GPA

**College and Career Ready Diploma**

See next slide for details.

**AP Capstone Diploma**

Earn score of 3 or higher on AP exams in AP Seminar, AP Research, and 4 other AP courses

# College and Career Diploma

- 24 credits
  - 3.25 GPA
  - Algebra II
  - Must complete 1 of the following :
    - 2 AP classes
    - 2 Dual-credit classes
    - 2 CTE classes in the same pathway
    - 2 World Language classes
- AND
- obtain a College and/or Career Ready Endorsement



# College and Career Readiness Endorsement

## College-Ready Endorsement:

Earn minimum ACT score of 18 English and 22 Math

## Career-Ready Endorsement:

Earn Silver level or above on ACT National Career  
Readiness Certificate

Complete the Armed Services Vocation Aptitude Battery  
(ASVAB) at a minimum score of 50

Obtain a Career and Technical Education Skills Attainment  
Certificate

Obtain an eligible Nevada Industry credential.

# Biliteracy Seal Requirements

- \* 4 years of English with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- \* Earn a 3 or above on an AP World Language Exam or  
Score of I4 in all domains on the ACTFL Assessment  
of Performance toward Proficiency in Language  
(AAPPL)

# Fine Arts Seal Requirements

- \* 4 years of Fine Arts classes
- \* Outside performances/lessons
- \* Senior project topic related to fine arts
- \* See fine arts teacher for details

# Strategies for Struggling Students

- \* Student should meet individually with teacher before or after school.
- \* Parents are encouraged to call or email teacher with questions or concerns.
- \* CHSolutions - Drop in homework help T - TH 2:20 – 3:50 pm
- \* Schedule a parent/teacher conference with student's counselor.
- \* Carson City Library Homework Help
- \* Tutor.com, Khanacademy.org

# Alternate Means of Earning Credit

- \* Adult Education
- \* Work Experience
- \* Carson Online

# What is the Senior Project?

- \* Project
- \* Senior boards/portfolio

# Project

- \* Kinds of projects
  - \* Occupational (career oriented)
  - \* Altruistic
  - \* Personal development
- \* 10 – 15 hours required
- \* Learning Stretch
- \* Mentor

# Senior Boards/Portfolios

- \* Portfolio

  - Traditional

  - Digital

- \* Speech

  - Project

  - Future Goals



# Earning College Credit While Still in High School

# Jump Start Program

- ❖ Dual credit program where student earns both CHS credit as well as WNC credit
- ❖ WNC credits transferable to many colleges/universities – check with colleges of interest

# Jump Start College

- \* Take five classes each semester at WNC Earn 24+ WNC credits
- \* Must qualify by having a 70% average both semesters in Algebra II and earning a passing score on a NextGen English placement test

# Jump Start Career

- \* Students take 3 – 4 classes each semester at WNC
- \* Earn credits in Construction Management, Auto Tech, or Applied Industrial Technology
- \* Develop practical job skills
- \* Must take core classes at CHS
- \* Contact: Tricia Wentz ([tricia.wentz@wnc.edu](mailto:tricia.wentz@wnc.edu))

# Carson High School Classes Articulated with Nevada Community Colleges

Students who complete a CHS CTE program may earn credits through one of the Nevada Community Colleges  
(see handout).

# AP Program Classes

- \* English – Junior Language, Senior Literature
- \* History – US History, Government, Economics, Human Geography
- \* Science – Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental
- \* Math – Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics
- \* Other – Seminar, Research, Psychology, Spanish, Studio Art, Music Theory, Art History, Computer Science

\*\*Classes are offered subject to enrollment

\*\*Students are encouraged to also sign up for AP Enrichment

# The AP Exam

- \*Students who take an AP class at CHS are required to take the AP exam. All exams are administered during the first two weeks of May.
- \*There is a \$95.00 exam fee (\$145 for AP Seminar and Research) for each class. All fees were due by Aug 26.
- \*Most of the nation's colleges and universities, plus colleges and universities in 24 other countries, grant students credit, and/or placement for qualifying AP Exam grades.

# Standardized Tests

## PSAT, SAT, ACT, SAT Subject Tests

- \* All tests are used to help predict how successful a student will be in college.
- \* Tests are also used for placement into Math and English classes

For UNR's placement policy, go to:

- \* <http://www.unr.edu/admissions/admissions-resources/class-placement>



# PSAT

- \* Students take this practice SAT as sophomores and juniors
- \* Must take PSAT as a junior, even if they took it as a sophomore to be eligible for the National Merit Scholarship Program

# PSAT

- \* Offered at CHS:

October 16, 2018

Sign up by Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> at the Finance Office

\$20 (check made out to CHS)

Receive a study guide including a practice  
test

# How often should I take the SAT/ACT?

- \* Spring of the junior year (all juniors will take ACT on March 12th)
- \* Fall of the senior year
- \* Again, if desired
- \* Should take no later than December of senior year for financial aid/scholarship consideration

# SAT Subject Tests

- \* The SAT II: Subject Tests are one-hour tests that measure your knowledge of a particular academic subject and how well you can apply this knowledge i.e., biology, chemistry, Spanish, literature, etc.
- \* Check with the specific school to see if subject tests are required.

# Accepted Students Average Test Scores

College	SAT-MATH	SAT-READING	ACT
UNR	581	585	24
UNLV	565	570	22
SAC. STATE	520	520	21
OREGON STATE	592	594	24
U. OF OREGON	580	594	25
UC DAVIS	640	600	27
STANFORD	750	740	33

# How Students Can Prepare

## Students should:

- \* Challenge themselves throughout high school by taking rigorous courses
- \* Read and write as much as possible—both in and outside of school
- \* Become familiar with the different types of questions on the tests, the directions for each type of question, and how the test is scored. (ACT and SAT are scored differently) – know what to expect on test day
- \* Take the PSAT junior year
- \* ACT after-school prep class

# Test Preparation Resources

- \* ACT after-school prep class
- \* Using a search engine, look for SAT or ACT test preparation
- \* Collegeboard.org and Act.org
- \* SAT Question of the day – available on Twitter (@SATQuestion) or via mobile app
- \* [www.academy.act.org](http://www.academy.act.org)
- \* [www.march2success.com](http://www.march2success.com)
- \* [www.Khanacademy.org](http://www.Khanacademy.org)

# ASVAB

- \* Qualifies applicants for military careers
- \* Valuable for all students
- \* Helps identify career areas best suited to the skills a student has
- \* Ten subtests ranging from math, English, and science to mechanical comprehension and electronics knowledge
- \* No pass or fail
- \* Does not affect school grades

Offered at CHS October 31

sign up in Career Center



# COLLEGE ADMISSIONS

## \* What is the best school for me?

- \* Type of college: 4yr, 2yr, Trade/Technical
- \* Location
- \* Size
- \* Major
- \* Cost
- \* Collegeboard.org

## \* How to apply?

- \*What information will I need to apply?
- \*What is the application deadline?
- \*How early can I apply?
- \*Common App?

# 2 Yr. Colleges

- \* Open enrollment
- \* ACT/SAT optional: may be used for placement and may enhance scholarship opportunities
- \* NextGen test can be used for math and English placement.
- \* Less costly
- \* Usually smaller classes
- \* WNC's Bridge to Success program

# Technical Institutes

- \* Johnson & Wales Univ. [jwu.edu](http://jwu.edu)
- \* Universal Technical Institute [UTI.edu](http://UTI.edu)
- \* WyoTech [Wyotech.edu](http://Wyotech.edu)
- \* Sierra Academy of Style [sascarsoncity.com](http://sascarsoncity.com)
- \* Career College of Northern Nevada [ccnn.edu](http://ccnn.edu)
  
- \* Northern Nevada Building Trades Apprenticeship  
[Buildingtradejobs.org](http://Buildingtradejobs.org)

# College Rep Visits

- \* UNR Oct. 3, Nov. 5
- \* Univ. of Montana, Western Sept. 27
- \* Portland State Oct. 18
- \* College Fair Oct. 20, 12 – 4 pm  
Joe Crowley Student Union, UNR
- \* UNLV Oct. 22
- \* Sierra Nevada College Nov. 5

All visits unless otherwise noted will be held in the Tech. Center at 1:15 pm

Passes available in the Guidance Office

# UNR Admission Requirements

- \* English 4 years
- \* Math 3 years, including Algebra 2
- \* Science 3 years, two labs
- \* Social Studies 3 years
- \* Foreign Language (two years recommended)
- \* 3.0 (core GPA)

# Admission to Selective Colleges

- \* If interested, please talk to your child's counselor.
- \* Admissions requirements vary widely.

# College Sports?

- \* All students wanting to play NCAA sports at a Division I or II school must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

[www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)

# Ways to Help Finance Your College Education



- \* Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- \* Western University Exchange (WUE)
- \* College/University Scholarships
- \* Independent Scholarship Search (internet)
- \* Locally-sponsored Scholarships (***Scholarship Scoop***)





## New Freshmen Scholarship Levels

		Test Score (ACT composite or SAT)														
Unweighted Cumulative GPA (at admission)	ACT	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22
	SAT	1600	1560	1520	1490	1450	1420	1390	1350	1310	1280	1240	1200	1160	1130	1100
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Scores must come from a single exam sitting. Students awarded Nevada Advantage or WUE reduced tuition may only receive the National Merit, Presidential or Departmental scholarships.

**Presidential Level**  
**\$8,000**

**Nevada Scholars Level**  
**\$2,500**

**Pack Pride Level**  
**\$1,500**

# Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship

- Minimum 3.25 GPA
- GPA requirement may be waived dependent on SAT/ACT test scores – ACT 21, SAT 1070
- High school course requirement includes 4 years of Math through Algebra II.
- Must attend a public institution of higher learning in Nevada

# Nevada Promise Scholarship

- Use at Nevada Community Colleges
- Last dollar scholarship
- Apply fall of senior year

# Resources

- \* [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
  - College Search
  - Net price Calculator
  - Financial Aid Essentials
- \* [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
  - Financial aid information
- \* [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)
  - SAT/ACT/AP Prep
- \* [www.academy.act.org](http://www.academy.act.org)
  - ACT Prep

# PTSA/CHS CRAFT Fair

- \* Craft Fair organizer Cathy Barbie will share craft fair and scholarship information.
- \* PTSA/Safe Grad – Kyra Hinton

THAT'S IT, FOLKS!



Handouts

QUESTIONS???