Welcome Class of 2022!!!

VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
SENIOR HOT TOPICS!!!!!

COLLEGE AND CAREER PLANNING

BUILDING COLLEGE & COLLEGE SELECTION
- APPLYING TO COLLEGE
  - PAPER
  - ONLINE
  - COMMON APPLICATION
  - HBCU COMMON APPLICATION
  - EARLY ADMISSION/ EARLY DECISION/ EARLY RESPONSE
  - VIRTUAL COLLEGE ONSITE

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS

FEE WAIVERS
- College Apps, Common App, SAT & SAT AP EXAM WAIVERS

TAKING SAT EXAMS & AP Subject EXAMS

NCAA ELIGIBILITY

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- DEADLINE - MAY 1, 2022

VIRTUAL FAFSA & SCHOLARSHIPS NIGHT DATE TBD

DUAL ENROLLMENT TRANSCRIPT

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- EDGenuity Classes

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As September comes to an end, please remember…
DON’T FORGET... IN SEPTEMBER 2021

- Seniors make sure you have a good start academically.
- Register to take or re-take the SAT, if required by the college or university or technical school.
- Make sure your register on Remind using your Ms. Hudson, your school counselor, classroom code: to receive reminder text messages about scholarships and other pertinent senior counseling activities or events.
- Check Teams Calendar and schedule an appointment with your school counselor.
- Review your official transcript to ensure there are not any grades missing or classes you need to make-up.
- Complete college applications following the online college application process for the college you are applying to.
- Check the transcript portal site the college is using to ask your School Counselor to send transcripts to or through.
- Check Deadline Dates (especially for Early Decision or Early Action or Early Response)
- Remember to request fee waivers using the NACAC or Collegeboard College Fee Waiver or download Collegeboard Fee Waiver Directory.
- Hopefully, you have registered to attend the Detroit WSU College Fair October 8, 2021.
CHECK & REMEMBER

- CHECK
- CLASS SCHEDULE
- OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT
- VIRTUAL COLLEGE ONSITES
- BUILD COLLEGE LISTS
- COMPLETE COLLEGE APPLICATIONS
- EARN GOOD GRADES
- REMEMBER
- SCHEDULE A COLLEGE VISIT ON SCOIR

- SEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS & APPLY
- APPLY FAFSA ID
- COMPLETE FAFSA
- COMPLETE CSS PROFILE
- REGISTER DETROIT COLLEGE PROMISE
DPSCD GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
"VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL"

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
(18 credits)

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) – 4 credits
- English 9 (1 credit)
- English 10 (1 credit)
- English 11 (1 credit)
- English 12 (1 credit)

MATHEMATICS – 4 credits
- Algebra I (1 credit)
- Algebra II (1 credit)
- Geometry (1 credit)
- Senior Year Math (1 credit)

SCIENCE – 3 credits
- Biology (1 credit)
- Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)
- Additional Science (1 credit)

SOCIAL STUDIES – 3 credits
- U.S. History & Geography (1 credit)
- Civics (.5 credit)
- Economics (.5 credit)
- World History & Geography (1 credit)

Physical Education – .5 credit
Health – .5 credit
World Language – 2 credits
Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts – 1 credit

1 CTE ACADEMIC EXCHANGE CREDIT

- 1 YEAR FOREIGN LANGUAGE

OR

- 1 YEAR APPLIED ARTS

OR

- 1 SCIENCE ELECTIVE FOR CTE 1 YEAR CTE PROGRAM COMPLETER

- ONE YEAR JROTC
  - PE ONLY

- TWO YRS JROTC
  - PE & HEALTH

NEW SCIENCE SEQUENCE
- 9TH - NEXT GENERATION PHYSICAL SCIENCE
- 10TH - NEXT GENERATION BIOLOGY
- 11TH - EARTH SCIENCE & SPACE SCIENCE
FINDING YOUR RIGHT FIT
“MATCH” A match school is one in which your transcript mirrors that of the average freshman.

“REACH” Unlike a match, reach schools are colleges where your academic qualifications are below the average accepted student.

“SAFETY” As you’ve probably deduced by now, a safety school is one in which your academic credentials exceed those of the average accepted student.
Important things to consider when choosing a college:

- Majors and Minors offered
- Public vs. Private
- Population
  - Percentage of First-Generation Students
  - Coed vs. Non-Coed
  - Student population (gender? ethnicity?)
- Academic Support
- Size (small = less than 2K, medium = 2K-5K, large = more than 15K, or no preference)
- Location (city or state or region or no preference)
- Distance from home
- Room and Board
- Cost to the family
- On Campus Housing OR Off Campus
- Daycare
- Athletics
- Activities and special programs
- Scholarships Types:
  - Academic
  - Departmental
  - Fellowships Grants
## Choosing a College Major / Career

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Virtual College Onsite Admissions Steps

- Date and Time
- Pre-Qualifications
  - 2.50 or higher overall GPA
  - A recorded SAT 1800 or higher

Steps to follow:
- Find out what colleges are coming for "On-Site" by looking in the 12th grade’s level channel at “Ms. Hudson’s Monthly Senior Bulletin” or on Remind.
- Complete and Submit the college online application.
- Request a transcript through Forms survey request form at least two-three days prior to the onsite. This will ensure your counselor has emailed the representative your transcript.
- All appointment times will be selected completing a Forms survey request form.
- If you need to reschedule, please give advance notice by sending an email to Ms. Hudson.
- Join on your Teams Calendar at your appointed time.
- Be prepared and dressed appropriately for a Virtual Interview” via Teams.
- Parents can not be present for during your appointments to ensure equity in the onsite process.
  - After all our Reps have very busy schedules they must adhere too, sorry.
College Admission
Campus Visit
Interview

1. Create a list of questions in advance to ask your Admission Representative.
2. Consider common questions your Admissions Representatives may ask and think about your answers now.
3. Do a mock interview with a friend or family member.
4. Take an official transcript to give to the admission representative.
5. Find out where and when to send your final transcripts or grades.
6. Choose an appropriate outfit to wear.

Research the college!!!!
Questions to Ask Admissions Representatives

- Support services for students who are undecided on a major?
- Support Services

- DPSCD graduates enrolled?
- Student Organizations?

- Size of freshman level courses?

- Percentage of students who receive financial aid?

- Percentage of freshman who return for their sophomore year?

- Percentage of students who graduate within four years? five years?

- Graduate school or career placement services

- Statistics for your major?
Submitting Online College Application

- Have a **credit card** ready.

**OR**

- Request a College Application Fee Waiver

- Go to the college website.

- Click on the link to complete your application online and follow all instructions. Often you will be asked to register first.

- Create a professional email for yourself using your first and last name.

- If there is a counselor page or form that must be completes and mailed, print this page and submit it to your counselor by emailing the form to dora.hudson@detroitk12.org.

- If there is an invite to send to your counselor to complete the counselor or teacher form.

- Submit the counselor page, teacher or counselor letter of recommendations, essay (only if no space was provided for the essay online) via mail and

- Order transcripts and test Scores SAT website to be sent directly to the college.
Submitting A College Application & Ordering Transcripts

Online

- Get college application by going to college website
- Go online to Docufide, SCOIR, SendEdu or Request a Transcript through Forms survey link to ask your school counselor to send your official transcript to the Admissions Reps.
- Request Sealed Official Transcript through Forms Survey that will be sent to you.
- Notify your School Counselor about all the colleges you have applied to on SCOIR or send her an email.
- Request NACAC Fee Waiver or College Fee Waiver
- Request Recommendation through Forms Survey.
- Request your test scores through the SAT website (certain colleges/universities do not accept faxed or mailed test scores).

Paper

- Mail or Submit your completed application, letter of recommendation, college essay and a check or money order (stapled to the application) or college fee waiver if qualify.
- Mail your application at least five days before you must have it mailed.
  - Allow at least 6 weeks to hear back from the college.
  - Seniors must request a final transcript be sent to the college they will attend.
  - All requests should be made through SENDEDU, SCOIR, DOCUFIDE or Forms Survey “Senior Exit Survey” and must occur before Senior Finals in June.
LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- First, find out if the schools to which you are applying require letters of recommendation.

- The most influential letters come from teachers who have worked directly with you everyday for a semester or two. They can write specifically about your academic work. Ask your favorite junior year teacher(s) from who you have earned at the least a 'B'

- Remember, each teacher/counselor has their own process

- Give the writer a week or two to complete
College ESSAY Writing Tips!

BEFORE YOU START
- Do some self-exploration.
- If you need to pick the topic, be focused and specific.
- Show your thoughtfulness.
- Get started early.
- Create an essay outline.

WRITING YOUR ESSAY
- Read the instructions and follow them.
- Use your own voice.
- Use quotations and examples to show personal detail.
- Try to be concise.
- Don’t use slang words.
- Be honest.
- Don’t be afraid to use humor if it’s part of who you are.
REVIEW AND REVISE

- Step away from your essay and come back later.
- Write multiple drafts.
- Type your essay.
- Proofread your essay.
- Get feedback from others.
- Revise if necessary.
- **Early Decision (ED)**
- **Early Admissions (EA)**
- **Early Response EA or ER Applicants**

- MUST Apply Early
- Receive an admission decision early in the admission cycle (usually in January or February)
- Do not have to commit to an EA college
- May apply to other colleges under regular admission plans
- Must give the college a decision no later than the May 1, 2022. “National College Acceptance Day”.
- Early decision plans are binding — a student who is accepted as an ED applicant must attend the college. Early action plans are nonbinding — students receive an early response to their application but do not have to commit to the college until the normal reply date of May 1.
THE NEW COMMON APPLICATION

► What is the Common Application?

► Apply to college with Common App | Your future starts here
HBCU COMMON BLACK COLLEGE APP

https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/
How to secure a fee waiver for the cost of taking the SAT, and/or College Application Fees

Go through NACAC.com
Or Collegeboard.com Web Sites

NCAA Clearinghouse Waivers must be requested through the athletics directory or coach.
Paying For SAT Examination

First time test takers or those retesting MUST register online with a credit card. Unless you qualify for a fee waiver, use the number listed on the waiver in the upper right-hand corner when registering online.

IMPORTANT FACT: If you qualify for a free or reduced lunch you qualify for a free SAT WAIVER. Each time you use a waiver for the SAT you qualify for three college application fees to be waived!

Register online at www.collegeboard.com

Please check with Ms. Hudson, your school counselor, to get the Virtual High School code (also called the CEEB Code)

Please check with Ms. Hudson, your school counselor to get the NCAA code
## U.S. SAT TEST Dates

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There is a $60 fee to register with the clearinghouse but **do not** pay anyone to help you with the clearinghouse.

Virtual counselors are well trained to help you for free!!

If you received a fee waiver for the SAT then your NCAA registration fee of $60 is also waived! Check the box that indicates you have received a SAT fee waiver (if you have) and tell your counselor to send the verification to the NCAA.
NCAA

What to do first?

- Register with the Clearinghouse by going to
  - [http://eligibilitycenter.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.html](http://eligibilitycenter.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.html)

- For a list of the approved VSHS core courses TBD

- For information on your Clearinghouse status

- For questions about whether your transcript, student release form, etc. were received, or about when you will be cleared, call the automated system at 877/861-3003 (toll free in the USA) or 319/339-3003. (You will need your Personal Identification Number [PIN] and Social Security number.)

- Customer Service: 877/262-1492 (toll free in the USA) or 319/337-1492

- All students playing a D1 or D2 sport should see their school counselor for help.
How Colleges Accept or Reject Applicants?

- **Grades/Overall GPA** (many schools recalculate the GPA using core academics only Eng, Math, Science, Social Studies, and World Language);
- **Rank** (where you stand in your class; e.g. 128 out of 438);
- The **Rigor** of your academic coursework, including courses you are taking this year;
- **Standardized test score** (ACT or SAT);
- **First Senior Report Card - Colleges/University may** also study all senior grades on final transcript, after a student has been admitted to see. They want to see if the student should still be admitted.
- Many schools require a Mid-Year (January) Grade Report.
- The quality of writing in your **Essay** (if required);
- **Recommendation Letters**
- **Uniqueness** (extracurricular activities, special interests, aptitudes, recognitions/awards)
Benefits of JROTC & Military Careers

- Take the ASVAB - SEE YOUR COUNSELOR.
- Go to Big Future to search military civilian and non-civilian careers: https://myfuture.com/military
- All U.S. Males Citizens 18 years of age and older are required to register with Selection Services to receive Federal Student Aid.
- Military Pays for College
- JROTC College Scholarships
- Military Academy 4-8 year West Point Scholarships
Create an Account (FSA ID)
- Parents
- Students
- Borrowers
Whether you’re a student, parent or borrower, you’ll need to create your own account to complete federal student aid tasks.

What You Can Use Your Account For
- Filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form
- Signing your Master Promissory Note (MPN)
- Applying for repayment plans
- Completing loan counseling
- Using the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Help Tool

Items Needed to Create an Account
- Social Security number
- Your own mobile phone number and/or email address
Where do you Complete the FAFSA?

GO TO: FAFSA.ED.GOV
Where do I complete the CSS Profile?

GO TO: CSS PROFILE APP
Scholarships Tips

Most student aid comes in the form of federal education loans and grants from colleges. Most libraries and bookstores have several books about financial aid, including scholarship guides.

They also may have information on local scholarships. Look into large national scholarships such as Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), Questbridge, Gates Millennium, Intel Science, Coca-Cola, and Robert Byrd.

Remember, organizations of all types and sizes sponsor scholarships.

Many large companies offer scholarships or tuition programs for children of employees.

Employers like fast food chains, department stores, and supermarkets often give scholarships.

Awards related to student employment can come from unexpected sources. For example, there are several excellent scholarships for golf caddies.

Many free scholarship search companies collect information on hundreds of awards and compares your characteristics with scholarship restrictions. Based on your answers to a questionnaire, you will receive a list of possible scholarships. It is up to you to decide which ones you will apply for.
Register for the Detroit College Promise Scholarship?

GO TO: https://detroitpromise.com/
Accepting College Scholarships

- Are most often awarded directly from the college after the student is accepted.
- The student has completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and has signed a letter of intent to attend or paid the housing deposit.
- This occurs in the spring (April/May).
UPCOMING NACAC Virtual College Fairs!!!

SEE THEM BY CLICKING HERE!!
Questions ??????

I wish you the absolute best senior year!!

I look forward to meeting with each of you during your senior individual conference appointment.

Please request a Virtual appointment by going to Forms survey or Remind!

Financial Aid Night The High School Transformation team will host a district-wide Financial Aid & Detroit Promise Scholarship Information session for seniors and their parents on Tuesday, October 5 at 6:00 pm via Teams.

JOIN BY CLICKING HERE!!!

Please note: the priority deadline for FAFSA completion is May 1, 2022. This is also the target deadline for our district.

thank you!
“2022 Seniors Post-Secondary Planning” Virtual Workshop

Today’s presentation will be posted on your TEAM’S ENGLISH CLASS Chat & in the Upcoming Senior Grade level channel.
Sign up for important updates from Mrs. Hudson.

Get information for DPSCD Virtual School right on your phone—not on handouts.

Pick a way to receive messages for Ms. Hudson’s Seniors 2022:

1. If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.
   - On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:
     
     rmd.at/k98422
   - Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You’ll be prompted to download the mobile app.

2. If you don’t have a smartphone, get text notifications.
   - Text the message @98422 to the number 81010.
   - If you’re having trouble with 81010, try texting @98422 to (517) 323-2538.
   
   *Standard text message rates apply.

Don’t have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/k98422 on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

HOW TO GET REMIND??
Mrs. Hudson’s School
Contact Information

- 14771 Mansfield, Detroit Michigan
- 313-416-9717 Teams
- Dora.Hudson@detroitk12.org
- Remind 12th Class Code:

THANK YOU
# Colleges with Free Applications 2021-22

## Colleges with No Application Fee

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**Note:** This list may be subject to change. Please visit the [MCAN website](https://www.mcan.org) for the most up-to-date information. 

*Source: Michigan College Access Network (MCAN)*