



# CHELMSFORD

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**February 12, 2021**

Hello Juniors and Junior Parents/Guardians!

Just a few items for you this week:

**Junior Meetings:** It's time to schedule your junior meetings! Our goal is to meet with all juniors by June, so please connect with your counselor to set up your appointment. Whether you're considering college, a trade, a gap year, etc., we want to work with you and support you in your decision, so please contact your counselor to set up this important meeting and begin mapping out your future. Please note that all counselors are using different sign-up methods for these meetings, so please use whichever method was communicated to you by your counselor.

**Junior Plus Block Meetings:** Counselors met virtually this week with our juniors, to share important information about the college search process. We shared with them a Post-Secondary Planning Guide that is full of important information. That same guide is attached to this email so parents/guardians can also have this information, and it is also available on the Class of 2022 Google Classroom. Contact your counselor with any questions.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER: CHS CLASS OF 2022 GOOGLE CLASSROOM:**

As a reminder, this Google Classroom includes a wide range of topics including Health & Wellness, College and Career Exploration, Financial Aid and Scholarship Info and much more. We will keep updating your Google Classroom throughout this year and next, and it will address the needs of all of our students and the many paths they may follow. **IMPORTANT:** the Join Code for this new Google Classroom is: **xqypkwl**. Please join today!!

**COLLEGE PLANNING SEMINARS:** During the upcoming vacation week, admission counselors and current students at the College of Holy Cross in Worcester, will be leading virtual seminars on the following topics:

Monday, February 15: Tips and Tricks for the College Search Process

Tuesday, February 16: Six Ways to Get the Most Out of In-Person and Virtual Visits2

Wednesday, February 17: Four Myths about Standardized Testing

Thursday, February 18: The Role of Parents and Guardians in the College Search Process

Friday, February 19: Five Ways High School Juniors Can Strengthen Their Application

Register for one or more Junior Advisory Seminars at:

<https://admissions.holycross.edu/register/?id=fd8aa6ae-24d4-4cf8-9fc5-4059ab6fc29a>

Please note all seminars are scheduled for 2 PM, live closed captioning will be available, and all seminars will be archived on the Holy Cross website for later viewing.

## **COMMON APPLICATION (commonapp.org):**

The Common Application is accepted by over 900 colleges, and it is likely that the vast majority of our students will use it for at least some of their schools. While students are free to open up their Common App account, it is still currently this year's version. The 2021-22 Common Application will launch on August 1, 2021. Information already entered into the application will roll over into the current version.

## **LOOKING FOR COLLEGES THAT ARE A GOOD FIT?**

Have you checked out Naviance, our college search engine yet? While on there, try the SuperMatch College Search (found on the Colleges tab) to find colleges that may be a good fit for you. This search tool collects information from you about what you want in a college and lets you rank your requirements to help you find schools that may be a match for you. You will get not only a list of schools that suit your needs perfectly, but you'll also see other schools that come close. Other great resources are Big Future found at [bigfuture.collegeboard.org](http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org) and [collegeweeklive.com](http://collegeweeklive.com) as well as many other sites listed under the College Planning link on the Guidance home page.

**SCHEDULING:** X2 will open for scheduling on **Friday, February 20th**, and all students must complete schedule requests by **Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**. For info about our course offerings, please see the Program of Studies on the CHS home page. As you plan your schedule, remember to select challenging senior year courses! Please note, if you are unable to make the desired changes to your schedule on X2, please put your request in the Notes for Counselor section.

If you have any questions, please contact your counselor directly as we do not see the responses to this email address.

Have a great vacation week!

CHS School Counseling

## **Important Dates:**

March 13: SATs offered at CHS, registration deadline is February 12 - TODAY ([www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org))

April 17: ACT offered at area high schools, registration deadline - 3/12 ([www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org))

May 8: SATs offered at CHS and other area high schools, registration deadline - 4/8

June 5: SATs offered at CHS and other area high schools, registration deadline - 5/6

June 12: ACT offered at area high schools, registration deadline - 5/7

July 17: ACT offered at area high schools, registration deadline - 6/18

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