

WELCOME TO JUNIOR PARENT INFORMATION SESSION



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- 1) DIFFERENT POST-SECONDARY PATHS STUDENTS CAN TAKE
- 2) WHAT JUNIORS SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT THIS SPRING, SUMMER, AND FALL
- 3) COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS
- 4) SCHOLARSHIPS/FINANCIAL AID
- 5) WHAT DOES THEIR SENIOR YEAR SCHEDULE LOOK LIKE?



What is
your
path😊

Military

4 Year
College

Community
College

Tech
School

High
School



MILITARY



Click on the slider for recruiter contact information

The military provides advanced technical training in a variety of career fields and also offers opportunities for additional training when you are off duty. Many military members are able to attend college courses that are often paid for by tuition assistance.

WHY THE MILITARY?

JOB SECURITY	BENEFITS	LEADERSHIP SKILLS	PATRIOTISM
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The military is constantly recruiting for new service members, even when the economy is tough.▪ There are many types of jobs in the military with training provided and advancement opportunities.▪ Even after the military, service members have their training to rely on to help them find a job.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Complete medical coverage and access to resources for its service members and their immediate family.▪ Retirement plans and pension.▪ GI Bill (Tuition assistance).▪ VA Loan (Purchase a house with no money down).▪ Travel opportunities▪ Paid Vacations (30 days per year paid leave or vacation time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Service member will be expected not only to excel at their job, but to learn to lead others as they move up the ranks. With year-round training, service members will leave the military with some level of leadership skills.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ There is no higher honor than defending our nation and serving our country. Those who serve in the military are both warriors and guardians of the United States. <p><i>"There is no greater calling than to serve your fellow men. There is no greater contribution than to help the weak. There is no greater satisfaction than to have done it well"</i> Walter Reuther</p>

Click on the military branch logo for more information



COMMUNITY COLLEGE/TECH SCHOOL

Offer Housing:

- Arizona Western College Yuma
- Central Arizona College Coolidge
- Eastern Arizona College Thatcher

Other Community Colleges No Housing:

- Maricopa County Community Colleges
(PVCC, Glendale, Scottsdale, etc)

Community Colleges Offer

2 year degree programs (Associates Degree)

Associates in Sciences or Arts with an emphasis in chemistry, psychology, business, etc.

Certificate Programs

Sustainability, EMT, Accounting, Social Media

Tech Programs

Air Conditioning, Construction, Automotive



4 YEAR COLLEGE



Summer

- Do they have a college list? Where are they applying? They can build a college list on the College Board Web Page, [here](#).
- Does your student know the cost of college?
- Encourage your student to apply early, many applications open over the summer
- For our In State Universities apply through the web site directly, it will be cheaper
- Gather financial documents

Fall



- Create a calendar with your student. This should include application deadlines and other important dates.
- Help your student prepare for college admission testing if it is required, not all colleges require the ACT or SAT, check with each college.
- Help your student research and apply for scholarships.
- Fill out the FAFSA to apply for aid beginning October 1, 2023.



WHAT ARE COLLEGES LOOKING FOR?

- Strength of academic schedule especially if your student is applying out of state or to an honors college.
- In state, they focus on unweighted GPA, it does not matter if they take General Education or Honors in regards to scholarships, however.....will your student hold on to that scholarship?
- Strength of senior year schedule (this will depend on where they are applying)
- Test Scores if required
- Personal Statement/Essay ([College Essay Guy](#))
- Counselor Recommendation, have your student give their counselor at least 2 weeks to write a letter and have them fill out the [Brag Sheet](#), this will assist their counselor when they are writing their letter.
- Teacher Recommendations
- Special Activities, volunteer work, job experience, integrity/character



COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS

ACT

<https://www.act.org/>

SAT

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat>

STRATEGIES FOR SCORE IMPROVEMENT

➤ TEST PREP ONLINE RESOURCES

- ☐ KHAN ACADEMY
- ☐ ACT
- ☐ COLLEGE BOARD

If your student is re taking an exam, have them do it in the fall.



COLLEGE IS EXPENSIVE, UNDERSTAND FINANCIAL AID

Subsidized loan
Work Study
Scholarships
Grants
Pell Grant
Merit Money
Athletic scholarships
Loans
Unsubsidized loan
Parent Plus Loan
Talent scholarships
CSS Profile
(College Scholarship Service Profile)
Academic Scholarships
Expected Family Contribution



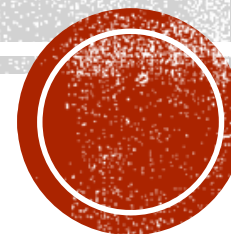
FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)



- **FAFSA** is the form you need to fill out to get any financial aid from the federal government to help pay for college.
- To apply for federal student aid, such as federal grants, work-study, and loans, you need to complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*.
- Colleges use your FAFSA data to determine your federal aid eligibility. Many states and colleges use FAFSA data to award their own aid.
- FAFSA asks for information about you and your family’s finances, including tax returns, so you’ll need your parents’ help to complete it.

MERIT BASED EXAMPLES	NEED BASED ON YOUR FAFSA EXAMPLES
ACADEMIC	GRANTS
ATHLETIC	LOANS
TALENT	WORK STUDY

SCHOLARSHIPS



WHERE DOES MY STUDENT BEGIN?

- Start at the [BCHS Counseling Web Page](#)
- Browse more scholarships: <https://www.dvUSD.org/Page/84028>
- Login to your Major Clarity app, click “Financial Resources” to explore scholarships.
- Login to your University account and access the scholarship portal
- Start applying to the Local scholarships
- Additional Scholarship Search:
<https://studentscholarships.org/scholarships.php>
- Create Application Organizer <https://www.collegexpress.com/articles-and-advice/financial-aid/blog/scholarship-search-spreadsheet-template/>



MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

A merit scholarship is a scholarship awarded to students who have a record of achievement in academics (including grades and test scores), extracurricular activities, and leadership in their community. These scholarships can be awarded by specific colleges and universities, as well as private organizations.

University	Scholarships
	<p>* SAT / ACT test scores are not required for 2023 incoming freshman for initial evaluation.</p> <p>President's Scholarship: 3.8 GPA with 30 ACT / 1400 SAT = \$8,000 Provost Scholarship : 3.7 GPA with 27 ACT / 1280 SAT = \$7,000 Dean's Scholarship : 3.4 GPA with 26 ACT / 1240 SAT = \$5,000 University Scholarship : 3.3 GPA with 25 ACT / 1200 SAT = \$ 2,000</p> <p>Obama Scholarship : For students w/financial need, complete FAFSA by Jan 1st</p>
	<p>*Wildcat Excellence: 4.0 GPA = \$12,500 3.90-3.99 GPA = \$10,000 3.75-3.89 GPA = \$8,000 3.50 -3.74 GPA = \$5,000 3.25-3.49 GPA = \$3,000 3.0 -3.24 GPA = \$ 2,000 2.75-2.99 GPA = \$750</p>
	<p>Lumberjack Scholarship: 3.75 – 4.0 GPA = Full Tuition *President's Scholarship: 3.5-3.74 GPA = \$9,000 *Dean's with Distinction Scholarship: 3.4 – 3.49 GPA = \$6,500 *Dean's Scholarship: 3.0 – 3.39 = \$5,000 * Opportunity Scholarship: Admitted – 2.99 GPA = \$2,500</p>
	<p>Chancellor: 4.0 GPA = \$9,050 President: 3.9+ GPA or 31 ACT/1410 SAT= \$7,050 Provost: 3.7-3.89 GPA or 27 ACT/1295 SAT = \$6,050 Dean: 3.5-3.69 GPA or 24 ACT / 1170 SAT = \$5,050 Faculty: 3.3-3.49 GPA or 22 ACT / 1030 SAT = \$4,050 Antelope: 3.0-3.29 GPA or 19 ACT/ 1000 SAT = \$2,550</p>

COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Maricopa Community Colleges: Presidents Honors Scholarship

Other Maricopa Community College Scholarships



WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE (WUE)



PUBLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
PROVIDE STEEP NONRESIDENT
TUITION SAVINGS FOR WESTERN
STUDENTS



WUE INCREASES AFFORDABLE
HIGHER-EDUCATION CHOICE FOR
STUDENTS, AND MINIMIZES STUDENT
LOAN DEBT



[HTTPS://WWW.WICHE.EDU/TUITIO
N-SAVINGS/WUE/](https://www.wiche.edu/tuition-savings/wue/)



**OTHER EXPENSES YOUR
STUDENT MAY NOT
THINK ABOUT.....**



LEAVING HOME MEANS MORE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- What are your expenses outside of tuition, room & board? You will be surprised!
 - A concert
 - A dinner out with friends
 - Gas money
 - Snacks
 - Toiletries
 - Gifts for birthdays/Christmas
 - And let's not forget spring break

It all adds up!



WHAT WILL YOUR COST OF LIVING BE WHILE YOU ARE IN COLLEGE?

Use this link to get an estimate of what your budget will be while you are away from home.

[MY BUDGET](http://www.collegescholarships.org/calculators/student-budget.php)

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DO YOU KNOW YOUR STUDENTS SCHEDULE FOR NEXT YEAR?

- You can view their schedule on the Power Schools web page. Click on Class registration.
- If they would like to change a class have them e-mail their counselor by May.



FALL 2023

- In the fall Counselors Visit Senior English Classes and go over:
 - Post secondary plans
 - Are they on track to graduate?
 - Check transcripts for accuracy and make sure they are on track to graduate
 - And are encouraged to set up an appointment with their counselor.



