



# Senior Advisement Lesson

## WBHS Counseling Department

### August 8 – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Seniors, stay connected -

- Counseling Website - [bit.ly/wbhscounseling](http://bit.ly/wbhscounseling) - "Make an Appointment" button
- Counseling Office Remind 101 - text "@wb Counsel" to 81010

**Credit awareness** – Ultimately it's your job to graduate!

- New Graduation requirements:
  - 24 units = Diploma
  - 28 units = Diploma with Distinction (seal)
  - 32 units = Diploma with Highest Distinction (seal & graduation cord)
- If you have failed something (*Academic, Pathway*) make sure you are retaking it or signed up for Pearson GradPoint afterschool to make it up
- Students need 2.0 units of the same foreign/modern language for college entry
- Also, Foothills now offers credit recovery (\$150.00 per credit)



**Testing** – Know your dates and register

- ACT/SAT Dates are coming up
- ASVAB - TBD - Students can sign-up/register in CRC
- COMPASS - TBD - Register/Apply to Lanier Tech



If you receive Free/Reduced Lunch you can speak with Mrs. Long about **SAT/ACT fee waivers - 2 ACT, 2 SAT**

**GAfutures.org** (<https://www.gafutures.org/>) – Great resource for career, college, testing, HOPE GPA, MOWR and scholarships info

- Replaced GACollege411.org
- Admissions applications for GA based Colleges/Universities/Technical Schools

**Applying to Schools** – Check your school's information, know the requirements needed, and know your deadlines, especially if you're applying for Early Action/Decision

- You can apply without having or sending your ACT/SAT scores and transcripts
- **bigfuture** (<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>) is a great resource!

If you receive Free/Reduced Lunch you can speak with Mrs. Long about **Application fee waivers - 4 during your senior year**

**Scholarships and Financial Aid** –

1. WBHS Counseling Webpage
2. WBHS Webpage – Under "Students" tab
3. Email Blast from Mrs. Long
4. Outside Board of CRC.



Also, creating online profiles with various sites/apps – ALL INDIVIDUALLY BASED

**Recommendation Letters** – Teachers and/or counselors. Make us aware that you're applying.

- No Senior Brag Sheet or Student Evaluation are required if the school does not request a counselor recommendation. A Student Evaluation does not equal Teacher Recommendation.
- Thoroughly answer all sections of the Brag Sheet. No abbreviations. Be specific.
- If you complete an online application (i.e., Common App) we still need a Brag Sheet and notification you've applied.
- It's your responsibility to know your deadline and turn in the completed packet two weeks prior.

**LOOK OUT FOR:**

- College PROBE Fair – September 14th @ WBHS, cafeteria
- Resume Workshop - September 23rd during advisement, sign-up during September & Ask a Counselor Wednesday
- College Essentials Night (Financial Aid & ACT/SAT) – October 25<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm
- Apply to College Week – November 14-19<sup>th</sup>
  - Apply to College Days – November 18-19<sup>th</sup>
- 1<sup>st</sup> Generation College Group – Sign-UP!

### SAT Testing Info

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

**\$45.00; \$57.00 (w/essay); Late fee: \$28.00**

### ACT Testing Info

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

**\$42.50; \$58.50 (w/writing); Late fee: \$27.50**

Test Date	Reg. Deadline	Late Deadline	Test Date	Reg. Deadline	Late Deadline
<b>October 1, 2016</b>	September 1, 2016	September 20, 2016	<b>September 10, 2016</b>	August 5, 2016	August 19, 2016
<b>November 5, 2016</b>	October 7, 2016	October 25, 2016	<b>October 22, 2016</b>	September 16, 2016	September 30, 2016
<b>December 3, 2016</b>	November 3, 2016	November 22, 2016	<b>December 10, 2016</b>	November 4, 2016	November 18, 2016
<b>January 21, 2017</b>	December 21, 2016	January 10, 2017	<b>February 11, 2017</b>	January 13, 2017	January 20, 2017
<b>March 11, 2017</b>	February 10, 2017	February 28, 2017	<b>April 8, 2017</b>	March 3, 2017	March 17, 2017
<b>May 6, 2017</b>	April 7, 2017	April 25, 2017	<b>June 10, 2017</b>	May 5, 2017	May 19, 2017
<b>June 3, 2017</b>	May 9, 2017	May 24, 2017			

\* **The SAT is offered at WBHS on the dates in BOLD. The ACT is offered at Apalachee HS on all of the above dates.**

**Do you have a plan?** If not, schedule a meeting with your counselor to discuss your options.