


College Planning

Walnut Hills High School



Welcome!

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WHHS Counselors

Grades 10–12 Counselors

Adrian Cabrera, Tanya Ficklin, Patty Morgan

Providing services to all students in the areas of

Academic Planning

- ❖ Optioning classes and creating schedules

Personal and Social Concerns

- ❖ Social and emotional counseling and advising

College and Career Planning

- ❖ College search, application, and selection process
- ❖ Career assessments and exploration

Ongoing Roles

- ❖ Conferences with students and parents
- ❖ Facilitation of more than 20 programs throughout the year
- ❖ Collaboration with all Walnut stakeholders

WHHS Support

College Information Center

Martha Geller, Amanda Siler, Sandy Uhrig

- Standardized test preparation/interpretation
- Preparation of applications
- Essay brainstorming and editing
- Resume development
- Application strategy/execution
- Interviewing skills

Writing Center

Dr. Carlton–Ford, Mr. Cheeseman, Ms. Burroughs, Mr. Covatta, Ms. Hautz, Ms. Petonito

- Essay brainstorming and editing

Useful Resources

➤ College Handbook –

<http://www.walnuthillseagles.com/guidance/college-handbook.aspx>

➤ Junior College Planning Notes –

- Emailed from WalnutCounseling
- Finalize Your Standardized Testing Plan – sent Oct. 15
 - 2018-2019 Testing Schedule
- Campus Visits – coming in December

The Process

STUDENTS

Self assessment is very important!

- What are your interests and talents?
- What do YOU want from your college experience?

It is your responsibility to communicate your wants and needs to your parents.

The college decision is **YOURS!**

You gather the data and weigh your options.

You exercise your choices.

You complete the applications, write the essays, and request teacher recommendations.

PARENTS

Empower your students and encourage them to use the skills they have learned from you.

Talk honestly about what you can/will pay

Avoid Pronoun confusion: “*We* need to register for *our* SATs”

Be a sounding board and give advice when asked.

Accompany your students on college visits.

Provide funds for application fees.

COUNSELORS

Provide information and guidance

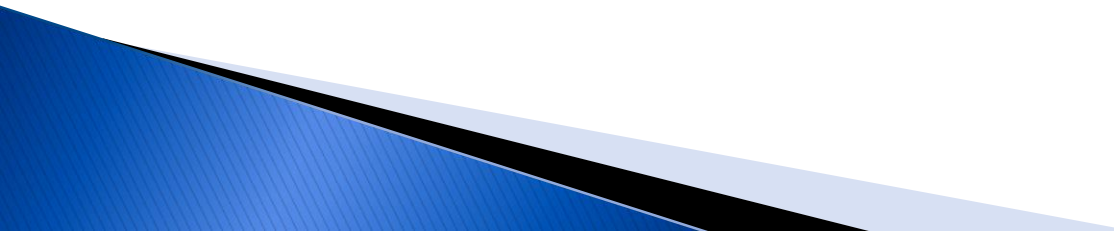
Provide individual college planning meetings as necessary – students and parents

Act as sounding boards

Write letters of recommendation

Send transcripts and Secondary School Reports

Top Factors in College Admission

1. Grades in college preparatory classes
 2. Strength of curriculum
 3. Standardized test scores
 4. Overall GPA – class rank
 5. Essay(s)
 6. Demonstrated interest
 7. Counselor and teacher recommendations
 8. Extra-curricular activities
 9. Interview
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Naviance Tour

➤ <http://www.screencast.com/t/tbcYt9eUkKg>

The screenshot shows the Naviance Student dashboard. At the top, there is a dark teal header with the Naviance logo and 'Student' text on the left, and navigation links for 'Home', 'Colleges', 'Careers', 'About Me', and 'My Planner' on the right. Below the header, a teal banner contains a search bar for colleges and a 'SEARCH' button. The main content area is divided into several sections: 1. A dark teal header for the first section reads 'Welcome, Walnut Hills High School Eagles!'. Below it, a white box contains the text 'We look forward to a great 2018-2019 school year!' and a link for 'Naviance Overview' circled in red. 2. A 'My Favorites' section with a dark teal header lists three items: 'COLLEGES I'm thinking about', 'COLLEGES I'm applying to', and 'CAREERS AND CLUSTERS I'm thinking about'. 3. An 'Important To-Dos and Tasks' section with a dark teal header states 'Relax, you have no overdue or upcoming to-dos and tasks...' and includes a 'See All in My Planner' button. 4. A 'What's New' section with a dark teal header says 'Nothing new to review this visit. Check back later.'

English Give feedback No new messages Switch Grade: 11th Grade Close Demo

Naviance | Student Home Colleges Careers About Me My Planner

Welcome, Demo

Search for Colleges Type a college name SEARCH

Welcome, Walnut Hills High School Eagles!

We look forward to a great 2018-2019 school year!

[Naviance Overview](#) (note: If you are unable to open the tutorial link, please press ctrl when clicking)

Selective College Admissions

College Catalogue

Read more

My Favorites

COLLEGES I'm thinking about

COLLEGES I'm applying to

CAREERS AND CLUSTERS I'm thinking about

Important To-Dos and Tasks

Relax, you have no overdue or upcoming to-dos and tasks. However, you can get ahead by going to My Planner to see what's next or create a goal or to-do.

See All in My Planner

What's New

Nothing new to review this visit. Check back later.

Researching Colleges

- Types of Institutions
 - Public or private
 - Small to large
 - Two-year to four-year
 - Community college or technical college
 - Liberal arts, comprehensive, and research
 - Selective to open access
 - Urban to rural

SuperMatch College Search

We want your feedback! What do you think about the new SuperMatch?

Provide Feedback

SuperMatch College Search

About SuperMatch

- Choose Fit Criteria
- Location
- Academics
- Admission
- Diversity
- Institution Characteristics
- Cost
- Student Life
- Athletics
- Resources

Your Fit Criteria

Saved Searches Choose one Save Search Start Over

0 Selected criteria
Select Criteria To Start

To see your results, use the arrows to move your criteria into the "Must Have" and "Nice to Have" boxes.

Must Have

A **Must Have** is anything you absolutely need to be happy and successful.

Nice to Have

A **Nice to Have** is anything that's important to you, but isn't an absolute must have.

No Results Yet

Fit Score

Academic Match

Pick what to show

Pick what to show

Pick what to show

SELECT CRITERIA TO START

Search by College Name

0 PINNED THINKING ABOUT 3 APPLYING TO 2 MORE

SuperMatch College Search

We want your feedback! What do you think about the new SuperMatch?

Provide Feedback

SuperMatch College Search

About SuperMatch

Choose Fit Criteria Location Academics Admission Diversity Institution Characteristics Cost Student Life Athletics Resources

Your Fit Criteria

Saved Searches Choose one Save Search Start Over

1 selected criteria
To refine your results, use the arrows to move your criteria into the "Must Have" and "Nice to Have" boxes.

Location [7]

Must Have

Nice to Have

A *Nice to Have* is anything that's important to you, but isn't an absolute must have.

Your Results Your results include 348 institutions with a fit score of 90% or above.

Fit Score

Academic Match

Highlights

Cost

Pick what to show

Wilmington College
Wilmington, OH, Rural
4 year, Private nonprofit, Friends

PIN TO COMPARE

FAVORITE

100%

Why?

Average	You
GPA	3.1 N/A
SAT	920 N/A
ACT	20 N/A

To determine if you're an academic match for this institution, enter your GPA and/or standardized test scores.

Photos/Videos on Profile

Tuition & Fees
\$28,420
Room & Board \$9,392

Customize what you see here—Choose a category above

Wabash College
Crawfordsville, IN, Town not near a City
4 year, Private nonprofit

PIN TO COMPARE

FAVORITE

100%

Why?

Average	You
GPA	3.7 N/A
SAT	1160 N/A
ACT	25 N/A

To determine if you're an academic match for this institution, enter your GPA and/or standardized test scores.

Photos/Videos on Profile

Tuition & Fees
\$40,400
Room & Board \$9,600

Customize what you see here—Choose a category above

Search by College Name

0 PINNED 3 THINKING ABOUT 2 APPLYING TO MORE

Researching Colleges

- List of colleges
 - How many is too many?
 - Likely, target, dream schools
 - Financial safety school
- It may be useful to create a spreadsheet

Researching Colleges

➤ Campus visits

- Start now!
- Junior/Senior Campus Visitation Policy
- Register in advance

Zits / by Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



Researching Colleges

The Campus Visit

- Questions to ask:
 - Academics
 - Residence halls– you may not see an actual room
 - Safety/security
 - Activities
 - Costs
- Try to get a feel for the campus – it’s all about “fit”
- Don’t hesitate to ask current students about their experiences
- Try to sit in on a class, if possible
- Get a school newspaper to get a student perspective on the school
- Eat! You will be eating this food for four years.

College Admission Testing

➤ PSAT

- Affiliation with NMSQT for grade 11

➤ ACT

- For grades 11 and 12
- Recommended first sitting is junior year December test when “Test Information Release” is offered. Students are responsible for registering at act.org.
- State of Ohio will pay for ACT on February 20, 2019. All juniors will automatically be registered for this test given at Walnut Hills.
- Four free reports at time of registration

➤ SAT

- For grades 11 and 12
- Consider March test when “Question and Answer Service” is offered. Students are responsible for registering at collegeboard.org.

➤ SAT Subject Tests

- Schedule after completing relevant AP courses
- 2 minimum if required by institution

Fee Waivers

- Available for students who meet designated federal guidelines such as the free-or-reduced lunch program
 - Guidelines – <https://www.cps-k12.org/families-students/food-service/free-reduced-lunch>
 - Application – <https://www.schoolcafe.com/> – don't use Internet Explorer
- Will cover up to two ACTs, two SATs, and two Subject Test dates as well as application fees for up to four colleges
- Requests should be made through the counseling office



Earning an Ohio High School Diploma

Graduation Requirements

There is no one-size-fits-all way to graduate. Ohio gives you several pathways to qualify for a high school diploma. Choose the way that works best for you!

To earn a high school diploma in Ohio, you must complete the courses shown below and then choose a pathway on the right to show that you are ready for college or a job. Here's what you need to do to graduate. Your school counselor will give you more details.

Complete Courses

Take and earn a state minimum of 20 credits in specific subjects.

English language arts	4 credits
Health	½ credit
Mathematics	4 credits
Physical education	½ credit
Science	3 credits
Social studies	3 credits
Electives	5 credits

Other Requirements

You also must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy and complete at least two semesters of fine arts. Your district may require more than 20 credits to graduate.

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Show That You Are Ready

Use at least one pathway to show that you are ready for college or a job.

Ohio's State Tests

Earn at least 18 points on seven end-of-course state tests. End-of-course tests are:

Algebra I or Integrated Math I	English I
Geometry or Integrated Math II	English II
American Government	Biology
American History	

Each test score earns you up to five graduation points. You must have a minimum of four points in math, four points in English and six points across science and social studies. Your school and district receive grades on the Ohio School Report Cards for all students' scores and participation on state tests.

Industry credential and workforce readiness

Earn a minimum of 12 points by receiving a State Board of Education-approved, industry-recognized credential or group of credentials in a single career field and earn the required score on WorkKeys, a work-readiness test. The state of Ohio will pay one time for you to take the WorkKeys test.

College and career readiness tests

Earn remediation-free scores in mathematics and English language arts on either the ACT or SAT.

The Ohio Department of Higher Education works with Ohio's universities to set the remediation-free scores for the ACT and SAT tests. Periodically, for a variety of reasons, these scores may be adjusted. For all high school juniors, the remediation-free scores set by Feb. 1 of their junior year will be used to meet their graduation requirement. The most up-to-date information regarding remediation-free scores can be found on the Department's graduation requirements webpage.

More information about graduation pathways is at education.ohio.gov, search *graduation requirements*. Then, talk to your school counselor.

August 2017

Transcript

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

Student Name: _____

Walnut Hills High School

3250 Victory Parkway IRN: 39073

Cincinnati, OH 45207

(513) 363-8400

Principal: John Chambers

Enter Date: _____

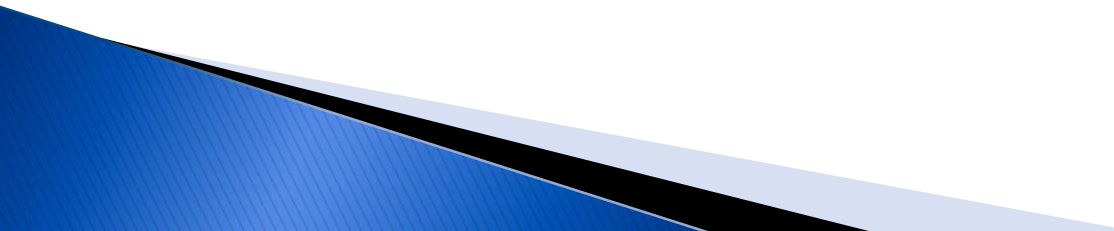
Class Of: _____

Graduation Date: _____

	SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2	SUMMER	YR
17-18 Walnut Hills High School				
AP ENG LANG HUMAN RIGHTS	A 0.50			Work In Progress: HOMEROOM AP ENG LANG HUMAN RIGHTS PHYSICS AA
AP SEMINAR	A 0.50			
AP US GOV/POLITICS	A 0.50			
FOREIGN LANGUAGE I	A 0.50			
PHYSICS AA	B 0.50			
PRE-CALC AA	A 0.50			
16-17 Walnut Hills High School				
ALGEBRA 2AA	B 0.50	B 0.50		STUDY HALL AP US GOV/POLITICS
AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	B 0.50	A 0.50		
AP US HISTORY	B 0.50	A 0.50		
CHEMISTRY AA	B 0.50	B 0.50		
ENGLISH 10 AA	A 0.50	A 0.50		
LATIN III	A 0.50	B 0.50		
15-16 Walnut Hills High School				
BIOLOGY AA	A 0.50	A 0.50		PRE-CALC AA AP SEMINAR FOREIGN LANGUAGE I
ENGLISH 9 AA	A 0.50	A 0.50		
GEOMETRY AA	B 0.50	B 0.50		
MOD HIST AA	B 0.50	B 0.50		
FINE ART ELECTIVE	A 0.50	A 0.50		
14-15 Walnut Hills High School				
ALGEBRA 1	A 0.50	A 0.50		
PHYSICAL SCIENCE	A 0.50	A 0.50		
SR HI HEALTH		A 0.50		

The Application

➤ Components

- Application – FERPA waiver
 - College-specific supplements – often additional essays
 - Test scores
 - Transcript
 - Counselor recommendation
 - Teacher recommendation(s)
 - Payment or Fee Waiver
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The Common Application

- Most widely used application is The Common Application – last year 3.5 million apps submitted
- Used by more than 700 colleges, including OSU, UC and Miami
- Members use a holistic admissions review – subjective and objective parts of the application
- Updated annually online on August 1st!

The Coalition Application

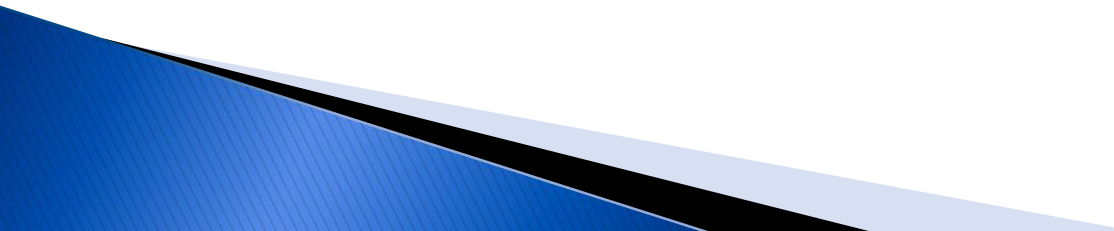
- Launched in 2016.
- Currently used by more than 100 colleges.
- More information at www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org

College Financial Aid

Paying for College is like a Quilt work of Finances



Financial Aid Program

- Will be held in early September, 2019
 - Speaker will be a local financial aid officer
 - FAFSA and CSS Profile forms will be available online on October 1, 2019
 - Two FAFSA help nights for families will be held at Walnut in the fall of senior year
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Necessary Forms

- FAFSA

(Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

www.fafsa.ed.gov

- CSS Financial Aid Profile*

<https://cssprofile.collegeboard.org/>

** Used by some highly selective colleges.*

Prepare for College

Types of Aid

Who Gets Aid

FAFSA®: Apply for Aid

How to Repay Your Loans

Home » FAFSA®: Apply for Aid

FAFSA®: Apply for Aid

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) form to apply for financial aid for college or grad school.

NEW TO THE FAFSA® PROCESS?

Completing the FAFSA form is free. Fill it out now.

[START HERE >](#)

RETURNING USER?

Correct info • Add a school
View your *Student Aid Report* (SAR)

[LOG IN >](#)

FAFSA® Announcements

- The IRS Data Retrieval Tool will be unavailable from 8 a.m. Eastern time (ET) on Sunday, Nov. 11, through 6 p.m. ET on Monday, Nov. 12, due to maintenance. During this time, students can still complete and submit a FAFSA® form by entering the necessary tax return information manually.
- Check out the new **myStudentAid app** for iOS and Android.
- To get the best experience, **make sure your browser's pop-up blocker allows pop-ups** from fafsa.ed.gov before logging in to the FAFSA form.

The FAFSA form will be unavailable due to scheduled maintenance every Sunday from 3–11 a.m. Eastern time.



Early Aid Estimate

Use *FAFSA4caster* to get a free early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid.

[LEARN ABOUT FAFSA4CASTER →](#)



FAFSA® Help

Learn how to fill out the FAFSA form, and browse common FAFSA topics.

[GET FAFSA® HELP →](#)



After the FAFSA® Form

Find out what to expect after you fill out the FAFSA form, including when and how your aid will be paid out.

[LEARN ABOUT NEXT STEPS →](#)

Next Steps

- Ensure schedule contains all courses necessary for graduation from WHHS and for college entrance requirements
- Begin to research college options
- Prepare for and take the required college entrance tests
- Begin college visits – allowed 3 junior year and 3 senior year
- Earn the best possible grades in junior year since these grades will be the most recent the admissions officers will see on your application



Next Steps: Upcoming Programs

- Navigating Academic Transitions, January 16, 2019
- AP Fair, January 17, 2019
- “Been There, Done That,” February 7, 2019
 - Student Panel
 - Parent Panel

Next Steps: Senior College Programs

- Summer ACT preparation classes – late July, early August
- **Common Application Boot Camps** – August
- Essay Workshops – August
- Senior College Forum – September
- Application Nuts and Bolts – September
- Senior Financial Aid Workshop – September
- FAFSA help nights – Fall TBD
- College Essay Blitz – Fall TBD
- Interviewing Skills Workshop – October