

THE CLASS OF 2018

**JUNIOR ACADEMIC AND
CAREER PLANNING PRESENTATION**

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Steps to Follow:

1. Circle your counselor's name
2. Neatly write your name
3. Print your e-mail address
4. Write your tentative career choice
5. Mark your current educational goal(s)
6. Write any colleges you are considering
7. Write your major
8. List any colleges you have visited

Welcome to Khan Academy!

- Khan Academy and the College Board provide official SAT practice for free for all students. Every student has the opportunity to practice for the SAT using Khan Academy's online tools, including interactive problems with instant feedback, video lessons, full-length practice tests, and a personalized study plan to help students focus their practice on areas where they need to work most.
- Daily Practice for the New SAT is an app available through the App Store and Google Play

Let's Sign Up!

- Log in to Chromebook and click Google Chrome icon
- www.satpractice.org
- Select **Sign In/Sign Up** in the top Right corner of the webpage
 - If you have already created an account- please use your existing account information. DO NOT CREATE A DUPLICATE ACCOUNT!
- Select **Create a New Account**
- Click **Sign up with email**
 - First Name
 - Last Name
 - Email address
 - Birthdate
- Select **Sign Up**
- Open a new tab to access your personal email account
- Open the email from Khan Academy Accounts
- Click **Finish Signing Up**
- A new tab will appear for you to create your own Username and Password
 - Enter the same email used to create the account
 - Create a Username- must start with a letter and can only contain letters and numbers
 - Create a Password- should be at least 8 characters long and should contain a mixture of letters, numbers, and other characters
- Click **Sign Up**
- Choose Option B- **I haven't taken the PSAT or SAT yet**
- Choose Option B- **I'll sign in to collegeboard.org later**
- Select **Onward!**
- Click on your name in the top right corner to log out of the account
- Great Job! You are ready to start using free SAT practice tools!

Class of 2018 Important Dates

Special Events at HCHS:

- Junior Parent Night: April 5, 2017 at 7:00 in PAC
- SAT: April 5, 2017
- **Two Seniors Forms in Family & Student Access due September 1, 2017**
- College and Scholarship Application Night in September 2017
- Financial Aid Night in September 2017

Upcoming College Fairs:

- RVC College Fair
 - More than 100 colleges, universities, and vocational/technical schools
 - **April 7, 2017, 10 AM-2PM**
 - Physical Education Center at RVC
 - Documentation from RVC required for a school verified absence for a college visit
- College Fairs- October 2017
 - Rock Valley College
 - National- Nacacnet.com

National Test Dates

ACT	Regular Registration Postmark Deadline	Late Registration Postmark Deadline
April 8, 2017 June 10, 2017 September 9, 2017 October 28, 2017 December 9, 2017 February 10, 2018 April 14, 2018 June 9, 2018	March 3, 2017 May 5, 2017 August 2017 September 2017 November 2017 January 2018 March 2018 May 2018	March 4-17, 2017 May 6-19, 2017 August 2017 September 2017 November 2017 January 2018 March 2018 May 2018
SAT	Regular Registration Postmark Deadline	Late Registration Postmark Deadline
March 11, 2017 May 6, 2017 June 3, 2017	February 10, 2017 April 7, 2017 May 9, 2017	February 28, 2017 April 25, 2017 May 24, 2017

Are You Involved Yet? It's Never Too Late!

- Many school, community, and religious organizations give you chances to explore your interests and talents, offering many opportunities to try different things.
- If you have many or several interests—and have the time—try activities in more than one area. For example, write for the school paper and volunteer at the animal shelter as well.
- It's easy to find out about activities available at school. The challenge may be figuring out how much to do. Here are some quick tips:
 - When you find something you like, stick with it.
 - Don't worry about being president of the club or captain of the team. The key is whether or not you have done something significant — center stage or behind the scenes.
 - Give your all to each activity, and, most importantly, give your all to your schoolwork.

Student Information Sheet:

- The Student Information Sheet in your Student Access account allows you to track your activities throughout high school.
- Colleges/Employers pay attention to your life both in and out of the classroom. Yes, your academics come first, but your activities reveal a great deal about you. In addition to demonstrating your interests, they can show that you are able to:
 - Make a meaningful contribution to something.
 - Maintain a long-term commitment.
 - Manage your time and priorities efficiently.

High School Students Need a Resume Too!

- You can complete your resume on Career Cruising!
- You may think that you do not need a resume until you are about to graduate from college or until you begin your post-high school career search, but you are wrong
- From getting your first full-time job to applying for college and scholarships, a resume is essential!
- Employers, college recruiters and scholarship readers, want to see a brief summary of your abilities, education, and experiences.
- Your resume should include information that will put you and your abilities in a favorable light and make you stand out from the crowd.
- You never know when a recruiter at a college fair or a potential employer at a job fair might request one from you...

Workplace Readiness Certification Program

School Experiences

- Receive an average rating of **4 or better** by teachers each semester:
 - Attitude/Effort
 - Competency
 - Accountability/Responsibility
 - Working with Others
- Student has not missed more than 6 full days per school year
- Student has accumulated less than 15 disciplinary infractions

Work Experiences

- To be completed by the end of the 3rd quarter of your senior year:
 - A completed resume
 - Job shadowing experience
 - Two volunteer experiences
 - Proof of attendance at a career focused workshop
 - Verification of extracurricular involvement for 4 total semesters
 - Attainment of applicable certification for career preparation

MINIMUM College Admission Requirements:

- ⦿ 4 years - English (literature, written and oral communications)
- ⦿ 3 years - Social Studies (U.S. History and Government)
- ⦿ 3 years - Mathematics (Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II)
- ⦿ 3 years - Science (Laboratory Sciences)
- ⦿ 2 years - World Language or Fine Arts
(2 years of same language or same subject, Career and Technical Education may be accepted by some schools)

COLLEGE ADMISSION CRITERIA

Strength of High School Academic Program

Grade Point Average (GPA)

ACT/SAT Test Scores

Application Essay/Personal Statement

Recommendations

High School/Community Activities

Class Rank

Special Considerations (athletics, theatre,
musical, or other talents)

Resources to Help During Your College Search:

Click on the *College Planning* tab at:

www.hononegahguidance.org

- College Visit Schedule
- College Search Guide
- Choosing the Right College
- Campus Visits
- Community College Transfer Guide
- Helpful Websites
- Registering with the NCAA Eligibility Center
- College Evaluation Worksheet

College and Scholarship Application Process at HCHS:

1. Complete your two senior forms by September 1, 2017
 2. Request your college application from the college's admissions office, printed off the college's website or completed electronically.
 3. Complete the student sections of the college/scholarship application
 4. Your parents must log into Family Access to complete a 2018 Records Release Form before you can receive transcripts. Once requested, ALLOW 5 SCHOOL DAYS for processing!
 5. Complete the Recommendation Request Form when you need:
 - a. The school section of a college or scholarship application completed
 - b. Your counselor's signature
 - c. A letter of recommendation
- *ALLOW 10 SCHOOL DAYS for Processing*
6. Pick up your documents in GCP office. The GCP Office WILL NOT mail them for you!
 7. Students may set up an account and request electronic transcripts at www.parchment.com
 - Allows you to send transcripts, unofficial test scores and immunizations electronically, mailed or overnighted to anywhere you'd like (colleges, scholarships, NCAA, yourself, etc.) Many destinations are free!
 - Only create one account using your school ID number and email address.
 - Can be done from home!

JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT

April 5, 2017

7:00 PM

HONONEGAH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Who will be there?

A representative from a 4-year public school

A representative from a 4-year private school

A representative from an Out Of State 4-year public school

A representative from Rock Valley College

What will be discussed?

College Selection Process

In-class Junior Presentations.

Your questions.

What's In That Folder?

- College and Scholarship Application Process at HCHS
- 2016-2017 Easy Scholarship Reference Guide for Juniors
 - A checklist to keep you on the right track throughout your scholarship search
- Financing College: A Guide to ISAC Programs
 - Learn about programs, including eligibility requirements and application deadline dates
- The 4 Steps to College Checklist
 - A checklist to guide you when choosing and applying to college and finding and applying for financial aid
- 25 Questions to Ask a College
 - Top 25 questions to have in hand when you visit a college to help with your selections