

NORTHRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS INFORMATION

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COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS APPOINTMENTS: CCRs are an opportunity for students to discuss future college & career plans with their counselor. You will be able to schedule to meet with your counselor during November and December through myDSD beginning Oct. 25 (the appointment scheduler will be open for 7 days). We highly encourage you to have your parent or guardian attend this meeting with you.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

Students must earn 27 credits to earn a diploma:

- 4.0 English
- 3.0 Science
- 3.0 Math
- 2.5 Social Studies
- 0.5 US Government and Citizenship *Pass Citizenship Test
- 1.0 Physical Education
- 0.5 Fitness for Life
- 0.5 Health
- 1.5 Fine Arts
- 1.0 Career and Technical Education
- 0.5 General Financial Literacy
- 0.5 Digital Studies
- 8.5 Elective credits

Students must make up all "U's"

(see Mrs. Bitton in the Attendance office for U make-up)

MAKE-UP & ORIGINAL CREDIT OPTIONS:

NHS GRADPOINT

- See your counselor for more information
- . THIS IS ONLY FOR MAKE-UP CREDIT!

<u>UTAH STUDENTS CONNECT (ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL)</u>

- · Online classes through Davis School District through Canvas
- Must be taking at least one class at NHS
- No fee for original credit; \$46.50 for make-up
- · Classes begin and end at regular term dates
- · Must see your counselor to register

NORTHRIDGE LEARNING CENTER

- \$50.00 per quarter credit
- · Packets available for original or make-up credit

SUMMER SCHOOL

• Subject to District funding. See your counselor in May for more information

INDEPENDENT STUDY

• See your counselor for options and approved course listings.

TESTING

- <u>ACT</u> (Jr or Sr) Entrance test for college. Students may take it more than once. Accepted by all Utah colleges. (More info on page 2).
- <u>SAT</u> (Jr or Sr) College entrance exam required by many out-of-state universities and colleges. Also accepted at all in-state universities. See your counselor for info.

<u>AP Tests</u> — A series of tests in the subject area for college credit. Testing begins in May. The fee for each test is \$94.00.

• <u>ASVAB</u> — The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is a free assessment used by the military for career exploration. It will be given Jan. 15th at 8:30 am. Sign up in the Counseling Office by Dec. 20th.



ACT TESTING

Register to take the ACT at: **www.actstudent.org**

ACT Test Date

Dec 8 Nov 2 Nov 19 Feb 9* Jan 11 Jan 18 April 13*+ Mar 8 Mar 25 June 8 May 3 May 20

Registration Deadline

- * Test not offered at NHS. Can be taken at Clearfield High.
- + Test not offered at NHS. Can be taken at Layton High.

TEST FEES: (check with the college you want to attend to see if they require the writing portion)

Late Fee Deadline

ACT without Writing \$50.50 ACT with Writing \$67.00

Need to prepare for the ACT? FREE test prep available at:

- schools.shmoop.com/ magic word: HIKING
- www.studyquidezone.com/
- www.march2success.com/
- www.number2.com
- www.utahfutures.org/learning-express-portal

ATTENTION JUNIORS!

All Juniors will take a **FREE** ACT test on **Wednesday**, **February 20, 2019** during the school day.

The school will handle all registration for the February 20th test in your Advisory class.

NHS School Code: 450164

NHS Test Center Code: 155890

It is recommended you take the ACT at least 2 times! Or more!

Admission Index for Utah's Public Colleges & Universities

ACT	SAT	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.6	(3.5)	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.0
36	1600	142	140	139	137	135	1β3	132	130	128	126	124
35	1580	140	138	137	135	133	131	130	128	126	124	122
34	1530	138	136	135	133	131	129	128	126	124	122	120
33	1460	136	134	133	131	129	127	126	124	122	120	118
32	1410	134	132	131	139	127	125	124	122	120	118	116
31	1306	133	131	130	128	126	124	123	121	119	117	115
30	1320	131	129	128	126	124	122	121	119	117	115	113
29	1280	129	127	126	124	122	120	119	117	115	113	111
28	1240	127	125	124	122	120	118	117	115	113	111	109
27	1210	126	124	123	121	119	117	116	114	112	110	108
26	1170	124	122	121	119	117	115	114	112	110	108	106
25	1140	122	120	119	117	115	113	112	110	108	106	104
24	1100	120	118	117	115	113	111	110	108	106	104	102
23	1060	118	116	115	113	111	109	108	106	104	102	100
22	1030	117	115	114	112	110	108	107	105	103	101	99
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20	950	113	111	110	108	106	104	103	101	99	97	95
19	910	111	109	108	106	104	102	101	99	97	95	93
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This is the point where excellent grades and test scores help you save on tuition!

A combination of your GPA and ACT/ SAT test scores will determine your "index score" and eligibility for admission/scholarships for most universities.

Please check with each individual university for more information and specific requirements.

SCHOLARSHIP WEDNESDAYS

Mrs. Pond, our College
Access Advisor, holds
scholarship information
sessions every Wednesday
during Tutorial in C140.

Come learn about different scholarships on Wednesdays, or make an appointment with Mrs.
Pond to meet one-on-one.

Her office is located inside the Counseling Center lobby. You can email her at rpond@dsdmail.net, or call 801-402-8516.

> Office Hours: M-F 7:30-1:30

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SCHOLARSHIPS—IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY!

- Regents Scholarship (for the students who have completed the following classes): 4 years English, 4 years math, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, 3.5 credits of Social Studies, 2 years of a foreign language; must complete the FAFSA during Senior year.
- Centennial Scholarship (for students who graduate early): 1 semester early = \$500, 2 semesters early = \$1000. See your counselor for more information.
- Weber State Edge Scholarship (for students who have taken a minimum of 12 WSU college credits with a 3.0 GPA): \$2,000 spread over two semesters and is renewable for up to 4 years. This scholarship is *not* stackable with other WSU scholarships.
- Please visit the NHS Counseling webpage for a comprehensive list of scholarships offered!

CTE CAREER PATHWAYS

CTE Pathways help students focus on and prepare for a career. Completing a Career Pathway in high school can help students transition into their post-high school education or job. A student is required to participate in a CTSO (Career Technical Student Organization) to receive the Pathway Completer recognition at graduation. See Mrs. Davidson or Mrs. Wooten in the Career Center to learn about Pathways at NHS.

Example Career Pathway: Emergency Medical Services

Required Foundation courses:

- Emergency Response
- · Medical Anatomy & Physiology

1.0 Elective credit:

- · Intro to Health Science
- · Medical Terminology
- · Internship: EMT at Davis Tech College

A student interested in completing a Pathway should complete the application and return it to the appropriate CTSO advisor:

DECA: Mr. McKnight FBLA: Mrs Banta FCCLA: Mrs. Lucas HOSA: Mrs. Jeppesen SkillsUSA: Mr. Shaw TSA: Mr. Harris

COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE

<u>Utah College Application Week - November 12th—16th, 2018</u>: During Utah College Application Week (UCAW), representatives from Utah colleges and universities will be at NHS to assist YOU in the application process. Several schools will waive the application fee. Some schools may have school apparel, food, and other swag to give away. Don't miss out!

Junior College Tour - February 28th, 2019: Representatives from Utah colleges, universities, and technical schools will be at NHS. This is a great opportunity to learn about admission requirements, scholarship deadlines, and other important information. Take advantage of it! Parents are also invited to attend.

FAFSA Completion Night: NHS is hosting a FAFSA Completion Open House for you to get expert help completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Please join us on October 24 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, and you'll be eligible to apply for a FAFSA Completion Scholarship through UHEAA/StepUp Utah. More details on the scholarship can be found on StepUp Utah's Facebook page.

<u>Thinking of going out of state?</u> Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) allows you reduced out-of-state tuition expenses at participating institutions in the Western U.S. Check out qualifying details and get more information at www.wiche.edu.

Need to send a transcript? NHS has partnered with *Parchment* to order and send your transcript and other credentials securely. A link to Parchment is located on the NHS Counseling webpage under "Transcript Requests". The cost is \$3.75, which is worth the cost to be able to request, track, and verify your transcript has been received.

<u>Want more information?</u> Links to Utah colleges and universities are listed on the <u>NHS Counseling</u> <u>webpage</u> under "Post High School Options." You will find application deadlines as well as additional requirements/helpful tips! Check it out!

LETTER OF COMPLETION: WHAT IS IT?

- A letter from Weber State University stating all General Education Requirements are fulfilled.
- The LOC can be presented to any State University or College and GE requirements are waived, even if they are different.
- For more information, please see your counselor or our <u>website</u>.

Top 5 Reason to take AP or CE Classes AP & CE classes help students:

- Earn college credit
- Develop knowledge and skills needed to succeed in college.
- Increase the chance of graduating from college in four years instead of the typical five years.
- Take classes with students who are college bound and have similar goals.
- Stand out in the college admissions process.

Tips for Junior Year

- ♦ Keep your grades up
- Make up credits, if needed
- Check your Graduation Summary under Reports in your myDSD account
- Take challenging classes
- Get involved in extracurricular activities and CTSO's
- Begin thinking about future careers & education or training
- ◆ Find a job or volunteer
- Take the ACT multiple times (at least twice)!! Interested in the SAT? See your counselor.
- Begin researching scholarships—don't wait!
- Schedule a CCR appointment with your counselorwe are here to help!



COLLEGE & CAREER PLANNING

These are the classes that help you explore possible career pathways and

Study. The certificates you earn can be used as evidence of your accom-

build skills for life. Skills certifications are available in all eight CTE Areas of

plishments when you seek a job or apply for further education and training.

If you are earning
A's and B's in your
core classes, consider challenging yourself by taking an
Honors level class.
There are also great
stepping stones to
AP courses as well
as COLLEGE preparation.

These classes are college level courses that require students to fully commit to that level of learning. Expect to put a lot in, but the skills and experience you receive will benefit you in many areas of your life.

Tonors

OTC/Technical Training

Internship

Start building your college transcript by taking CE classes! CE classes are college classes taught at NHS. In order to earn the college credit, students must apply to the university offering the credit, pay the application fee (usually around \$30-\$40), and pay \$5 per credit hour.

REMEMBER: it is important to pass these classes because your grade is permanently on your college transcript! Also, dropping a CE class after the withdrawal date can affect future Financial Aid awards.

You can meet NHS graduation requirements by taking college classes at Weber State. This is an option for all grade levels. However, it is not for everybody, but it could be for you. For more information, talk to your counselor or visit www.weber.edu/earlycollege and sign up for an information session.

Some professions do not require four years of college. You can earn a professional certificate in an area of focus that will give you the skills and credentials you need to land your dream job! For example, diesel/auto mechanic, plumbing and cosmetology.

Have a hands-on experience by participating in this program. It is a semester long/double period class that will allow you to explore if your dream job is really a dream or a nightmare before you invest time and money. If interested, students must complete an application. Space is limited. 3.0 GPA & no U's. For more info, please see Mr. Shaffer.

Student Athletes

In order to be eligible to participate in a collegiate sport at the Division I or Division II level students must meet the <u>16 core-course rule by taking at least 16 credits of core courses in high school and maintain a 2.3 G.P.A. in those courses.</u> Students must <u>submit an ACT score to the NCAA (registration code 9999)</u>. Students are encouraged to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org after their junior year.

Students and parents are responsible to ensure NCAA eligibility!