



Northwestern High School

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Counseling Department Newsletter

August 2022—Welcome Back, Trojans!!!



9th grade is important for building a strong foundation in your classes

- ✓ **Your High School GPA starts now.** We are on a 10 point scale and honors and AP courses give higher weighting. A's and B's will give you a lot of great options for whatever you want to do after high school
- ✓ **Explore Extracurricular Activities.** Get involved in clubs/sports/fine arts or something that sparks your interest
- ✓ **TESTING:** Algebra I, Biology, and English 2 will require state testing (EOC) at the end of the semester

MEET YOUR COUNSELOR

Counselors are here to support your academic, social/emotional, and career needs.

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CREDIT RECOVERY—Did you fail a class last spring? If you made a 50-59 in a course last year you may be able to recover the credit. See your counselor ASAP for more information.



10th grade is for exploring career and college options

- ✓ **Explore Careers!** Use the website below for free career assessments and more
<https://portal.sccis.intocareers.org>
Username: Northwestern
Password: Trojans
- ✓ **Explore Colleges!** Find colleges that meet your goals. Research options at
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>
- ✓ **Testing:** English 2 will require state testing (EOC) at the end of the semester.
October 12th: The PSAT is offered to all 10th graders



11th grade narrows down your future goals

- ✓ **Narrow down your future goals.** Your school counselor can help you with your graduation requirements and assist with helping you attain college, career, or military requirements
- ✓ **Interested in a 4 year or 2 year college?**
-Sign up to take the ACT OR the SAT this year
- ✓ **Interested in the military?**
-Take the ASVAB Nov. 1st (sign up with Mrs. Dean)
- ✓ **Interested in the workforce?**
-Take the work readiness assessment in the spring
-Look into internships for your senior year to build your resume

IN-STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Life (4 Yr)	Life (2 YR)	Hope (4 YR)	Palmetto Fellows	Lottery Tuition Assistance
\$5,000 for the first year	Up to \$5000 + \$300 for books	\$2,500 + \$300 for books	\$6,700 for the first year	Portion of tuition
<u>Two out of Three:</u> -3.0 Final GPA -1100 SAT or 22 ACT -Final Rank in top 30%	3.0 Final GPA	3.0 Final GPA	1200 SAT or 25 ACT PLUS 3.5 GPA, PLUS Top 6% rank in 10, 11, or 12 th OR 1400 SAT or 31 ACT plus 4.0	SC Resident and enrolled in at least 6 credit hours



Your school counselors are here to support you every day at school but if you feel like you have ongoing mental health concerns Northwestern High School has mental health counselors on campus you can see regularly. Please see your school counselor for a referral.

MAKE UP SCHOOL

Did you have a FA on your report card last spring? That stands for **failure due to attendance.**

Make Up School is Mon.-Thurs. through September 15th from 4-7. Email qlamar@rhmail.org with questions

After School Tutoring

Where: A101
When: Mon-Thurs
Time: 3:45-4:45
Help in all subject areas. Students must show up right after 4th block. Fall tutoring begins Tuesday, September 6