

**JUNIOR NIGHT  
FOR THE GRADUATING  
CLASS OF 2021!**

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# TONIGHT'S AGENDA

- Post-Secondary Options
- Testing—SAT/ACT
- College Selection & Application Process
- Cost of Attendance/Funding a College Education
- Review High School Transcripts & Senior Year Prep
- EHS Resources
- Senior Class Information
- Jon Guldager: Elevate Lane County & Job Shadows
- ASPIRE Volunteers
- Questions

# INFORMATION PACKETS

- High School Transcript
- Important Website List
  - All websites included in the presentation
- Senior Year Checklist by Month
  - Help to stay on track!
- Personal Statement questions and Activity Chart
- College Guide and Workbook
- FAFSA Worksheet
- Oregon Promise Fact Sheet
- Federal Student Aid Info Sheet
- 18-19 Standard Student Budgets for OR Post-Secondary Institutions

# POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS

Vocational/  
Technical Schools

Oregon Public  
Colleges/  
Universities

Oregon Private  
Colleges/Universities

Oregon Community  
Colleges

Military

Out-Of-State  
Colleges/Universities

# VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

- **Certification**
  - **Combination of Hands-on-Training + Academics**
- **Admission process varies**
- **Examples of Field of Training Include:**
  - **Diesel Mechanic**
  - **Cosmetology**
  - **Nursing**
  - **Construction, Electrician, Sheet Metal Apprenticeships**
  - **Veterinary Tech**

# VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL CAREER SCHOOLS IN OREGON

- Pioneer Pacific College
- Lane Community College
- Linn-Benton Community College
- Carrington College
- DeVry University
- Springfield College of Beauty
- Heavy Equipment Operator Training School
- WW NDT Services and Welding School

# COMMUNITY COLLEGES (2-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGES)

- Degree Awarded:
  - Associate Degree
  - Certificate of Completion
- Open Enrollment
  - Accept all students
- Student can prepare for transfer to 4-year school
- Rolling Admissions
  - Spring, Summer, Fall
- Placement tests in Math, Reading & Writing
- TUITION IS LESS!
  - 12 Credits (Tuition + Fees): UO = \$3,000 LCC = \$1,400

# 4-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

- Degrees Offered:
  - Baccalaureate -> Masters -> Doctorate
- Enrollment Varies: 3,000-23,000+ students
- Must Meet Admission Requirements
- SAT or ACT Test Required
- Complete Application By a Specific Date
- Only a Percentage of Applicants are Admitted



# OREGON PUBLIC UNIVERSITY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- English: 4 Years
  - Math: 3 Years\*
  - Science: 3 Years
  - Social Studies: 3 Years
  - Second Language: 2 Years\*\*
  - Minimum required GPA is 2.75-3.0 (unweighted)
  - Grades earned must be a C- or above
- \* Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2 and above
- \*\* Two Years of the SAME language

# 4-YEAR PRIVATE COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

- Degrees Awarded:
  - Baccalaureate -> Masters -> Doctorate
- Must Meet Admissions Requirements
- SAT or ACT Required; SAT Subjects Test may be required
- May Require
  - Recommendations
  - Special Essays
  - Interviews
  - Supplemental Financial Aid Form

# OUT-OF-STATE OPPORTUNITIES

- Over 4,000 Colleges and Universities Nationwide
- Requirements vary greatly; check each school's requirements and deadlines
- Requirements may change annually; seek current information

# WESTERN UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE (WUE “WOO-WEE”)

- Through WUE, students in western states may enroll in many two year and four year college programs at a reduced tuition level: 150% of the institution’s regular resident tuition. WUE tuition is considerably less than non resident tuition.
- There are 15 states that participate in this program. See Website:

<http://www.wiche.edu/wue>

# MILITARY

- Options: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, National Guard, U.S. Coast Guard
- Military Academies
  - Air Force Academy
  - Naval Academy
  - West Point
  - U.S. Coast Guard Academy
  - U.S. Merchant Marine Academy
  - Colleges and Universities: ROTC Programs (Req. SAT/ACT)
- General Enlistment Requirements:
  - Good Health, At least 17 years Old, U.S. Citizen or Green Card Holder, H.S. Diploma (some branches accept GED), Pass the ASVAB (Career Aptitude Test)
    - <http://official-asvab.com/index.htm>

LETS TALK ABOUT TESTING...

The **ACT**<sup>®</sup>



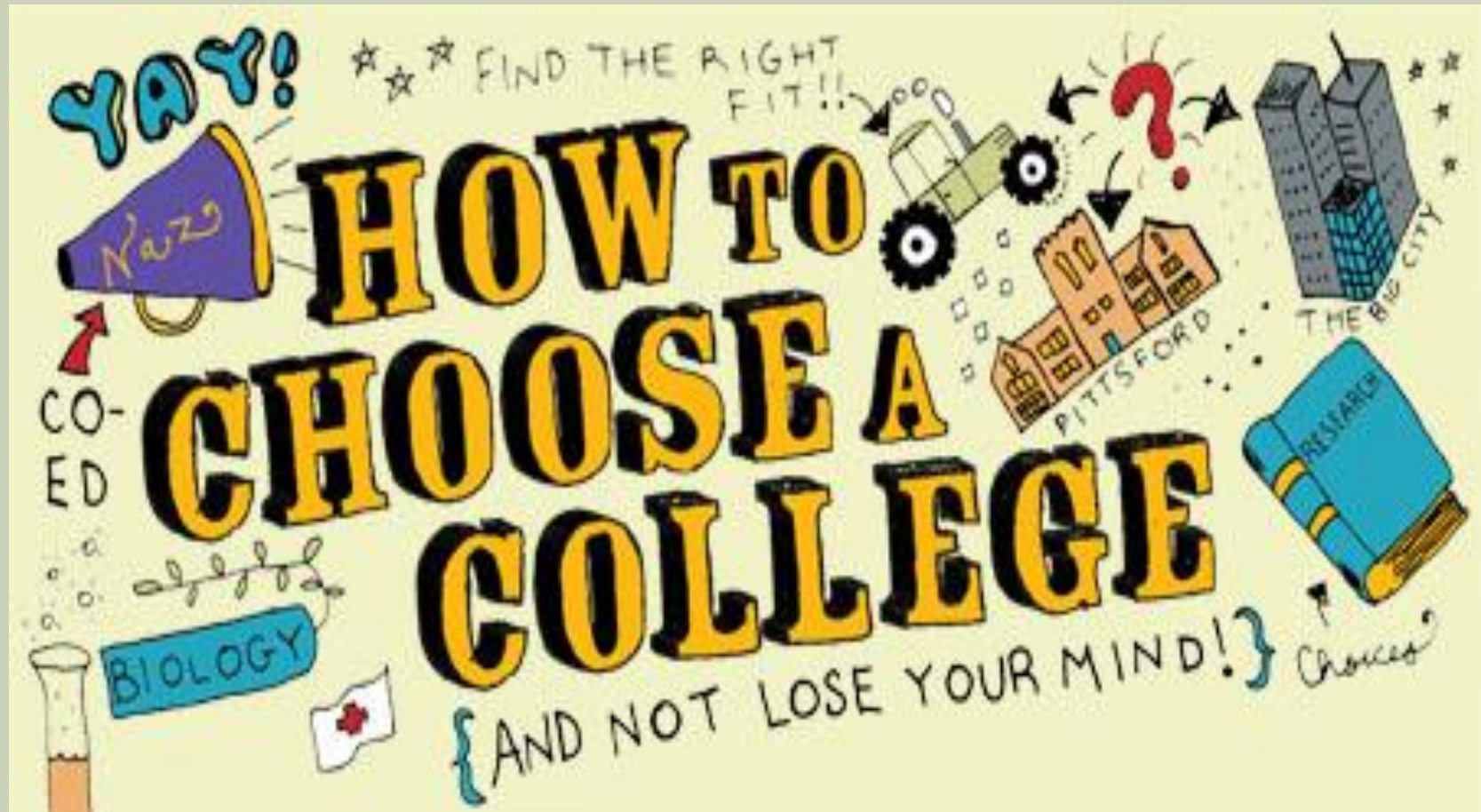
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# TESTING!

- **SAT/ACT**
  - Given multiple times each year
  - Required by OUS Schools and Private Schools
  - Required by some scholarship programs
  - CC's may accept scores in lieu of placement tests
- **SAT Subject Tests**
  - Given same time as SAT tests
  - Required by some private and more selective public institutions
- **SAT/ACT Differences can be found on the College and Career Center Webpage:**  
<http://www.fernridge.k12.or.us/bmcmillan/>

# COLLEGE SELECTION & APPLICATION PROCESS





# POST-SECONDARY SELECTION PROCESS

## THINGS TO CONSIDER

- **Campus & Community Personality**
  - Discuss campus life and culture with former and current students, arrange a visit, What are other students like? Political/Religious philosophy?
- **Cost**
  - See Cost Of Tuition and Fees for Public Oregon Colleges worksheet
  - Scholarships, grants, tuition waivers—ways to reduce cost. Take the time to apply for as many opportunities as possible
- **Geographic Location and Campus Size**
  - Proximity to home, Large vs. Small size, urban vs. small-town setting

# CAMPUS VISITS

- *How?* Contact the admissions office to set-up an appointment
- *When?* Start visiting the summer before Senior Year—Visits are even more productive when classes are in session
- *What?* Ask to see areas of interest such as an art studio, chemistry lab, or housing
- *Why?* It is important to visit a campus before you enroll—you will potentially be spending the next 4 years there!! Every campus feels different.

# WHERE TO GET APPLICATIONS

- Visit school admissions website. Most colleges use an online application only.
- Common Application may reduce workload:
  - Allows you to apply to multiple colleges with one application

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

- Helpful Hints:
  - Read instructions carefully—TWICE!!
  - Proofread all applications before sending
  - Keep copies of everything submitted!

# AVERAGE COST OF ATTENDANCE PER YEAR

- Oregon Private Colleges: \$49,500
- Oregon Public Colleges: \$27,400
- Community Colleges: \$19,400
- Vocational/Technical Programs: Varies Widely
  
- See 18-19 Standard Student Budgets for Oregon Postsecondary Institutions for more details

# FUNDING A COLLEGE EDUCATION



# FINANCIAL AID

- Where does financial aid come from?
  - Federal Government
    - Grants, Work Study, Loans → FAFSA to apply
  - State Government
    - Don't qualify for federal aid or small amount?
    - [www.ed.gov/sgt](http://www.ed.gov/sgt)
  - From the college itself
    - Offer financial aid from their own funds
    - FAFSA Form—automatically apply for aid from state and institutions listed on FAFSA

# FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

- How to Apply? You must apply through FAFSA!  
[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
  - Students AND Parents apply for FSA ID → Electronic signature used to access your financial aid info.
  - [Studentaid.gov/fsaid](http://Studentaid.gov/fsaid)
- When should I apply?
  - Each October, form is available for the next school year
  - Reapply for aid every year you are in school
- Basic Eligibility
  - See Federal Student Aid Worksheet

# FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

- What do you need to complete the FAFSA?
  1. Federal income tax returns—w-2s, and other records of money earned
  2. Social Security Number
  3. Bank Statements—savings and checking account balances
  4. List of schools that you plan to attend—you can list up to 10
  5. Records of untaxed income—child support, interest income, and veterans non-education benefits
  6. FSA ID



# TYPES OF AID

- **Federal Grants:** Money that does not have to be paid back! Apply for the following via FAFSA...
  - Federal Pell Grant (\$6,095)
  - Federal Suppl. Edu Opp. Grant (\$4,000)
  - Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant (\$6,095)
  - Teach Grant (\$4,000)
  - See Federal Student Aid Worksheet for more details
- **Federal Work-Study:** Money is earned through a job and doesn't have to be repaid. Award depends on:
  - When you apply, level of financial need, school's funding

# TYPES OF AID

- **Federal Student Loans: These are loans, and MUST be repaid**
  - Direct Subsidized Loans
  - Direct Unsubsidized Loans
  - Direct PLUS Loans
  - See Federal Student Aid Worksheet for more details including, who the loans are for, award amounts, and interest rate

# I COMPLETED THE FAFSA, NOW WHAT?

- After you submit your FAFSA, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) that summarizes the data you submitted
  - If you fill out the FAFSA form online and provide your email address, you will receive a SAR within 3 days.
- Carefully review SAR for any mistakes
  - No mistakes? Keep for your records
  - Mistakes? Or Update? [Studentaid.gov/fafsa/next-steps/accept-aid](https://studentaid.gov/fafsa/next-steps/accept-aid)
- The information in your SAR will be provided to the schools you listed on your FAFSA form.
- You will receive an aid offer from the schools at which you were accepted for admission

# AID OFFER AND AMOUNT

- The aid offer will tell you how much aid you're eligible to receive, types of aids, and amounts of aid from Federal, State, private and school sources.
- How much aid you receive depends on the following factors:
  - Cost of Attendance (for each school)
  - Expected Family Contribution (EFC) (based on FAFSA info.)
  - Year in school
  - Enrollment status (e.g., full-time, half-time)
- Compare school aid offers. Which is most affordable? Which is a BEST fit for you?
- Only borrow what you NEED and what you can afford to pay back!

# SCHOLARSHIPS (FREE MONEY!)

- **Forms of Scholarships:**
  - Need Based and Merit Based, or Combination
  - Institutional and Private
- **Prioritize Scholarships**
  1. Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
  2. School-Based Scholarships, OSAC, and Local Scholarship Opportunities (College and Career Website)
  3. All other scholarship opportunities
    - Fastweb, Cappex, Unigo, Big Future

# OREGON STUDENT ACCESS COMMISSION (OSAC)

- OSAC administers a variety of State of Oregon, Federal, and privately funded student financial aid programs
- Grants: Oregon Opportunity Grant, Oregon Promise Grant, Chafee Education & Training Grant, etc.
- OSAC Private Scholarships: Over 400 private scholarships offered—Criteria and award amount varies.
- Applications open November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 (-ish)
  - Work on Activity Chart and Personal Statements NOW!  
<https://app.oregonstudentaid.gov/>

# OREGON PROMISE GRANT

- Oregon Promise is a state grant that covers a portion or all tuition at any Oregon community college for recent high school graduates (See Oregon Promise Info Sheet)
- Who is eligible?
  - Complete Oregon Promise application (See OSAC)
  - Complete a FAFSA application
  - Be a recent Oregon H.S. graduate (within 6 mo.)
  - Have a 2.5+ cumulative GPA
  - Be an Oregon resident for at least 12 months

<http://oregonstudentaid.gov/oregon-promise.aspx>

# WHAT DOES THE H.S. TRANSCRIPT TELL US?

- 24 Credits to Graduate from EHS
  - See: “Credit Summary: Grad. Requirements” box
    - Req., Cmp., Def.
- List of Courses Taken
  - Algebra 2
  - 2 Years of the same language
- GPA Summary
  - Weighted v. Non-Weighted
  - IMPORTANT: College Admissions, Scholarships (Free Money!)
- Essential Skill Requirements
  - Reading, Writing, Math
  - Smarter Balance, SAT, ACT (Reading & Math Only), Work Sample



# PREPARING FOR SENIOR YEAR

- Review transcript and carefully select your Senior classes
- Sign-up for SAT or ACT (SAT @ EHS deadline is 5/3/19)
- Attend college fairs
- Visit colleges
- Make the most of what EHS has to offer
  - Admissions rep. visits, field trips, ASPIRE, etc.
- Use Collegeboard.org
- Opportunities booklets (Important info. all in one spot!)
- Request Letters of Recommendations early (at least 3)
  - Scholarships and College Applications
  - Request Forms are located in the Counseling Center
  - Give writers at least 3 weeks before the due date
- Work hard and visit your counselor or ASPIRE mentor regularly!

# COMPETING IN ATHLETICS?

- Students wishing to participate at college level will require special attention.
- You will need to speak to your counselor for NCAA or NAIA rules and regulations.
- You can begin by looking at the NCAA and NAIA websites:

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

<http://www.naia.org>

**FEELING OVERWHELMED?!**  
**EHS RESOURCES TO THE RESCUE!!**



# EHS RESOURCES

- EHS ASPIRE Program (Mentor; 1-on-1)
- EHS Counseling and Career Center
  - Students and Parents Subscribe Today At:  
<http://www.fernridge.k12.or.us/bmcmillan/>
- ECMC Opportunities Booklets
- EHS Morning Announcements
- EHS College Fair (Fall) and Career Fair (Spring)

# SENIOR CLASS INFORMATION

- Graduation Requirements
  - Credits
  - Essential Skills: State Testing
  - Plan & Profile: Homeroom
  - CRLE: Job Shadow, Career Fair, College Fair
  - Extended Application: Senior Project
- Graduation Night:
- Senior Pictures: Typically due Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>
- Graduation Information
  - Cap, Gown, & Announcements
  - Night of Graduation—Grad Night

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Student



Educator



Industry



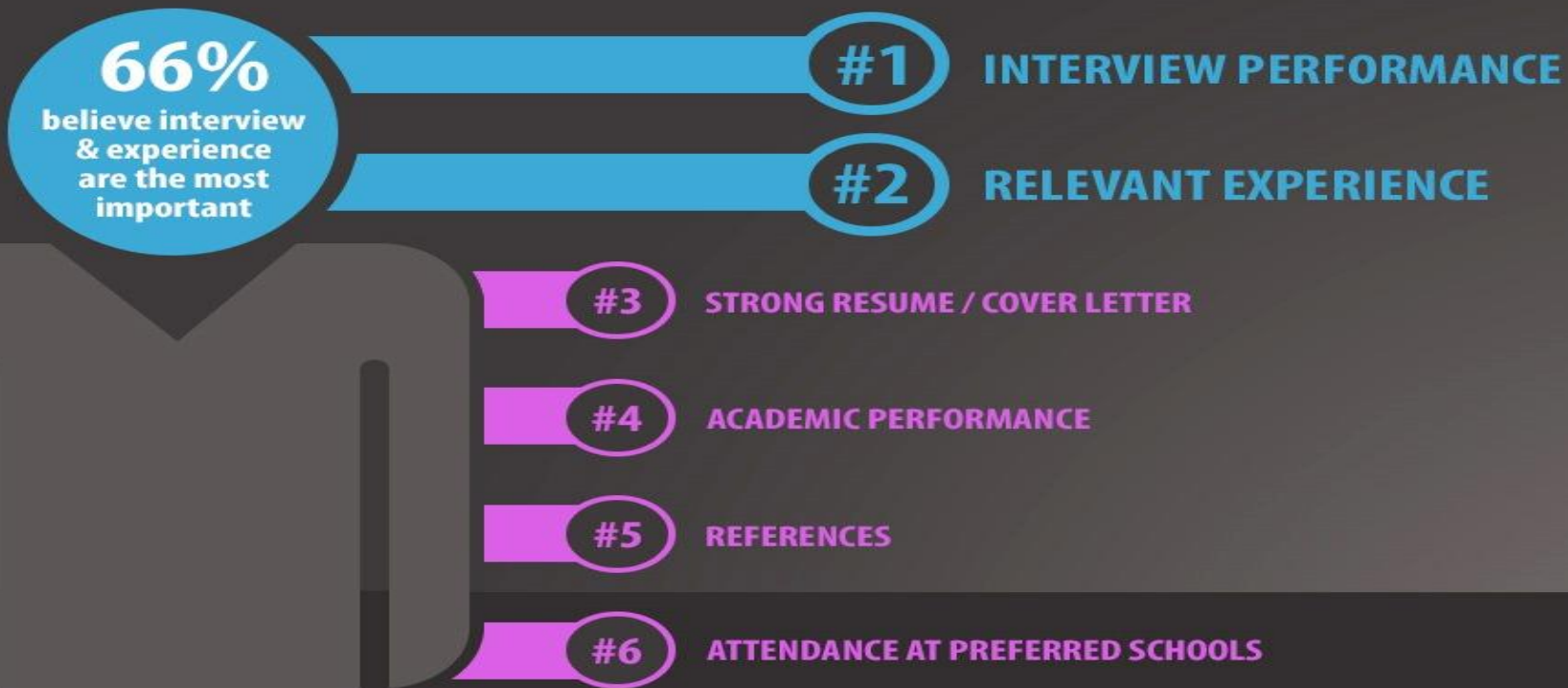


# Job Shadows Give You a Chance to:

- Begin to identify career interests by observing the daily routine of workers.
- Learn about the academic, technical, and personal skills required by particular jobs.
- Understand the connection between school, work, and your goals for the future.
- Develop the skills required to secure future employment.

# WHO GETS HIRED???

## Most important qualities employers consider when hiring an intern



**83%** of employers would consider APPLICATIONS from RECENT GRADUATES





# ASPIRE VOLUNTEERS

- What is ASPIRE?
  - Official mentor program to help students access post-secondary options, admissions and financial aid information. Trained ASPIRE volunteer mentors work one-on-one with students throughout the year.
- Sandie Smith (Seniors)
- ASPIRE Information
- Q & A Session

# QUESTIONS



# THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THE EHS JUNIOR NIGHT!

If you have questions regarding tonight's presentation or your child's education, please feel free to contact Brittany McMillan.

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