## Juniors

**Class of 2027** 

Fall College Information Session

## Resources

Gathering Information

#### Student Services Office

- Student Services Website
  - Online calendar of events
  - Scrolling announcements/opportunities
- Gather info on careers
- Colleges, apprenticeships and military
- College rep visits
- Financial aid information

## Minnesota Career Information System

#### MCIS (CIS 360)

Login with Clever **after** logging into your school email

- FREE practice test prep for ACT, SAT, PSAT, ASVAB & Accuplacer
- Self-surveys- financial aid, skills, interests, school sort
- Education- which colleges have which majors or programs of study
- Careers- Occupations and Employment Data

#### MEA Break

#### October 15th - 17th

#### NO SCHOOL!

A GREAT time to visit schools!

Go to college websites to schedule campus visits!

For Private College MEA visits go to: mnprivatecolleges.org/fall

## College Admissions

High School Courses GPA Test Scores

## Minimum Requirements for Four-Year Colleges

- 4 Years of English
- 3 Years of Math (4 Recommended)
- 3 Years of Science (4 Recommended)
- 3 Years of Social Studies (4 Recommended)
- 2 Years of a Single World Language (3-4 Recommended)
- 1 Year Humanities

#### Tests

PSAT - www.collegeboard.org

ACT - www.actstudent.org

SAT- www.collegeboard.com

ACCUPLACER - check with individual college

## PSAT (pre-SAT)

# 10th and 11th grade option Morning of Wednesday, October 15th Buffalo High School

Additional practice questions can be found at: MCIS- Practice Tests, College Entrance Tests

Collegeboard- PSAT

Junior year test- can qualify for National Merit Scholarship (less than 1% of test takers)

## College Admission Tests-ACT and SAT

**ACT** 

#### 3 Sections

- -35 Minutes of English
- -50 Minutes of Math
- -40 Minutes of Reading

#### **Optional Sections**

- -40 Minutes of Science
- -40 Minute Writing

SAT

#### 2 Sections

- 64 minutes Reading and
- Writing
- -70 minutes of Math

www.actstudent.org

www.collegeboard.org

#### ACT dates

#### SAT dates

December 13

February 14

April 11

April 21 optional &

free @ BHS

June 13

July 11

November 8

December 6

March 14

May 2

June 6

### Accuplacer

- Placement test used by community and technical colleges to place into Math and English courses.
- Test taken after completed application is submitted to a 2-year college.
- Resources for test prep:

#### NHCC Accuplacer Prep

Accuplacer Study App

MCIS (CIS 360) Login with Clever (Practice Tests, College Placement Skills Training Accuplacer)

### Test Preparation

- You have been preparing for these tests all of your life
- ACT and CollegeBoard have free prep resources
- Use the free practice tests on the MCIS website
- Search for reputable, free apps for test prep
- In print prep books are readily available and inexpensive
- Classes are available ranging from a few hours to many weeks in duration (See Community Education)

## Other Admissions Considerations

- Essay and Letters of Recommendation
  - These can be supplied even if not required
- Extra-curricular activities
  - School Activities and Athletics
  - Community Involvement
  - Employment

\*Schools consider the level of involvement and leadership demonstrated in your activities

> BOTTOM LINE - HOW HAS THIS STUDENT SPENT HER/HIS TIME OUTSIDE OF THE CLASSROOM

#### NCAA

## Want to participate in athletics at a Division I or Division II level?

- Meet with your school counselor to communicate and check requirements
- Check the NCAA website:
   <u>www.eligibilitycenter.org</u> for information on the regulations regarding high school preparation.
- It is important that you select the right courses to be eligible. You will register with the clearinghouse during your junior year.

## College Knowledge Month

- NCAA, ROTC, Financial Aid, Alumni Panel, & more!
  - Look for posters about info on sessions
- Mini College Fairs <u>every Tuesday</u> during lunches & College Trivia on Tuesday's--win prizes!
- Go to a college fair or visit a college during fall break
- Meet with college reps

## Questions?

**BHS Student Services Website**