

Senior Presentation Class of 2025

Park Hill High School
September 4, 2024



Introductions



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Students: L-O



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Students: Ch-Gi



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Students: P-Sn



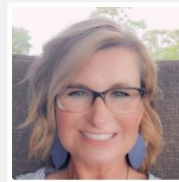
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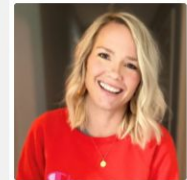
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What are my post-secondary options???

In this presentation we will mostly talk about the steps required to apply to:

- Trade school/technical school
- 2 year community college
- 4 year college/university

What are my post-secondary options???

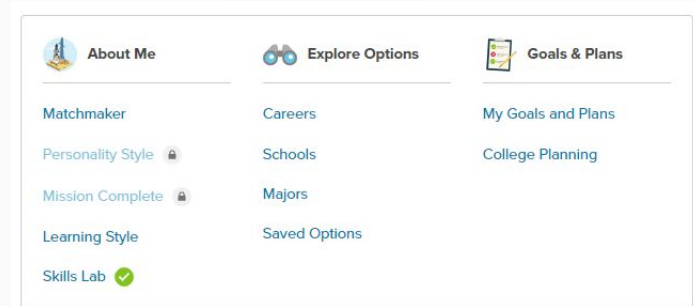
There will be different steps for these options, so if one of these applies to you, let your counselor know so we can help you navigate that process:

- [Military](#)
 - Visit with the recruiters during lunch
- Work/Apprenticeship Programs
 - [MCC Apprenticeships](#)
 - [SAGC Builders and Construction](#)
 - [ATS](#)
 - [KC Tech Council](#)
 - [Evergy Internships](#)
 - [Quest Diagnostics](#)
 - [Great Jobs KC](#)
- Gap Year
 - Communicate directly with admissions at university you plan to attend if wanting to take an “official” gap year.
 - Example: [Mizzou GAP year info](#)

Xello

Xello

- Each student has an account. Login using the portal app.
 - Transcripts
 - Resumes
 - College searches
 - Research colleges, careers, and majors
 - Scholarships
 - Click on College Planning > View My Scholarships > Search for Local Scholarships



Where do I even start?

Research and narrow college choices

Apply to at least
3 schools!
1. Stretch
2. Perfect Match
3. Fall Back

- Make a [list of schools](#)
- [Xello](#)
 - Click on Explore Options
 - Click on Explore Schools
 - Complete filters to find your college matches
- [Big Future](#)
- Explore College Websites
- Take [virtual tours](#)
- Take College Visits (Preferably on days we don't have school)
 - Typically you can find the information for these under Admissions or visits.
- Visit with the college representatives when they come to PHHS
 - All rep visits will be LUNCH visits this year so students can talk with them during their lunch.

UPCOMING COLLEGE FAIRS

- Liberty College Fair
 - September 24, 2024 @ Liberty North HS
 - 5:30-7:00 pm
 - [Register Here](#)
- NACAC College Fair
 - October 22, 2024 @ Hy-Vee Arena
 - 8:30-11:30 and 5-7 pm
 - [Register Here](#)
- HBCU College Fair at LEAD
 - November 7, 2024 6-8 pm

Other Useful Resources

- The Source [“Journey to College”](#)
 - published by MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
- State of Missouri higher education institutions
 - 13 public four-year universities
 - 14 public two-year colleges
 - 24 independence colleges
 - 11 specialized/technical colleges
 - 17 theological institutions
 - More than 150 proprietary and private career schools.
 - Search for schools here:
 - [Missouri Higher Education Institutions](#)

What is needed to apply to college?

- College Application
 - Create account on college website **OR**
 - [Common Application](#) **OR**
 - [Common Black College Application](#)
- High School Transcript (Official and Unofficial)
- Senior Schedule
- Application Fee
 - Fee waivers available for some schools for those who qualify - see counselor
- ACT and/or SAT Scores
- Some schools require an essay
 - Be familiar with the college's policy on using AI to write, or help with writing, the essay

How do I send transcripts to colleges?

- To access Xello, visit the [Park Hill Portal](#) and select the *Xello* icon
- From student dashboard, go to *College Planning* (located in quick links on right hand side of screen)
- In the pink college applications box:
 - Click *Create New Application* button
 - Type in the name of college you are applying to
 - Click on that college (box turns purple)
 - Click *Next* button (bottom right corner of screen)
- Application Method:
 - Pick which type of application you used to apply to your school (Common App, Direct Application, or Other)
- Admission Type:
 - If applying to community college, select *Rolling Admission*
 - If applying to college/university, select *Priority Deadline Admission*
- Application Deadline:
 - Choose tomorrow's date
 - **It's important for you to know your application deadline for your specific college/university, however for this request, please choose tomorrow's date. All transcript requests will be sent within one week.*
 - Select *Create* button



How do I send my dual credit, AP credits and ACT scores to my college?

- Dual Credit
 - send directly through MCC or college account
- AP Scores
 - send directly through Collegeboard account
- ACT Scores
 - send directly through ACT student account (**free if requested at time of registering for test**; fee of \$19.00 if requested after test is taken)

How do I sign up for the ACT?

- Sign up online @ www.actstudent.org
- Students will create online account (if they don't already have one)
- PHHS School Code 262-545
- PHHS Test Site Code 191410
- Cost:
 - \$69.00 (No Writing)
 - \$94.00 (With Writing)
- Fee waivers are available to those who qualify...see counselor!
- Request to send scores to colleges in the registration process!

ACT National Test Dates

TEST DATES

United States, US Territories, and Puerto Rico



2024|2025

Test Dates	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Photo Upload and Standby Deadline
September 14, 2024	August 9	August 25	September 6
October 26, 2024	September 20	October 7	October 18
December 14, 2024	November 8	November 22	December 6
February 8, 2025	January 3	January 20	January 31
April 5, 2025	February 28	March 16	March 28
June 14, 2025	May 9	May 26	June 6
July 12, 2025*	June 6	June 20	July 4

*No test centers are scheduled in New York for the July test date.

Why should I take the ACT multiple times?

- Admissions
 - MU- 24 automatic admission (with 2.0 or greater)
- Program Admission
- SuperScore: Many schools, including MU superscore admissions and scholarship decisions
- MU Scholarships (also GPA requirement)
 - Provost's: 20 ACT / at least 2.5 GPA
 - \$1,000
 - Excellence: 21-25 ACT / at least 2.95 GPA
 - \$3,500 renewable
 - Curators: 26-29 ACT/ at least 3.35 GPA
 - \$5000 renewable
 - Chancellor: 30-36 ACT/ at least 3.65
 - \$7,500 renewable
- Remedial Course Placement
 - Ex. low math subscore=placement in remedial math that you pay for but doesn't count

How do I prepare for the ACT?

Several ACT Prep opportunities are listed on our counseling web page:

- [ACT PREP OPPORTUNITIES HERE](#)
 - Scroll down to Testing, then click on ACT Prep Opportunities

NCAA / NAIA Eligibility Center

- [NCAA Eligibility Center](#)
 - Must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center if playing Division I or II NCAA Athletics
 - \$100 to register (fee waivers available for qualifying students)
 - Request transcript to be sent through Xello
- [NAIA](#)
 - Must register with the NAIA Eligibility Center if playing athletics at an NAIA school
 - \$100 to register (fee waivers available for qualifying students)
 - Request transcript to be sent through Xello

What is the FAFSA, and how do I apply?

- [FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#)
 - Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID - student and parent
 - Create a username & password - google 'fsa id'
 - Use personal email address
 - December 1 - FAFSA opens for 2025-2026 academic year
 - \$ awarded based on student need - not academic achievement
 - Will need 2023 IRS Tax Information - Data Retrieval Tool

Why complete the FAFSA?

- \$ to pay for college costs
- Types of aid
 - Pell Grant - up to \$7,395
 - Work Study
 - Low-cost loans
 - Subsidized (Gov. pays interest) & Unsubsidized (you pay interest) - about \$5500/yr
- Missouri student financial aid
 - Access Missouri (Need-based)
 - Bright Flight (ACT/SAT Score)
 - Missouri Land Grant (Need-based - covers all tuition and fees not covered by other grants and scholarships)
- A+ requirement

Plan for these college-related costs

- Tuition
- Fees
- Room and Board
- Books and school supplies
- Equipment and supplies for dorm room or other housing
- Travel and miscellaneous expenses

FAFSA example #1:

Mizzou - Pell Eligible		
Tuition In-State	\$14,122	\$14,122
Housing - Food	+13,550	\$27,672
Pell (FAFSA)	-7,395	\$20,277
Loan (FAFSA)	-5,500	\$14,777
Scholarship	-2,000	\$12,777
Work Study (FAFSA)	-2,000	\$10,777
Missouri Land Grant	-10,777	\$0 (Balance owed)

FAFSA example #2

Mizzou - Loan Eligible		
Tuition In-State	\$14,122	\$14,122
Housing - Food	+13,550	\$27,672
Loan (FAFSA)	-5,500	\$22,172
Scholarship	-3,000	\$19,172 (Balance owed)

FAFSA example #3:

Maple Woods - A+ Eligible		
Tuition In-State	\$5,950/year	\$5,950
Books/Fees	+1,000/year	\$6,950
A+ Scholarship	-5,950	\$1,000 (Balance owed)

ABC UNIVERSITY

Award Letter

John Smith
123 Main Street, Boston, MA 02110

Cost of Attendance: \$56,000

Cost of attendance includes tuition, fees, housing, meals, books, supplies, transportation, and other education costs.

Eligibility Factors

Our determination of your eligibility for financial assistance was based in part on the factors listed below:

Enrollment Status: Full-Time Undergrad: **Number in Family:** 3
Housing Status: On Campus **Number in College:** 1

A change in any of these factors will affect your eligibility. Please notify our office right away if any of these factors are incorrect or if they change at any time during the academic year.

Financial Aid Award

You are eligible to receive the following assistance:

	Fall	Spring	Total	Check to Accept	Revised Amount
ABC University Grant	17,995	17,995	35,990	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Federal SEOG	500	500	1,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Federal Pell Grant	2,960	2,960	5,920	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
MASSGrant	800	800	1,600	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Federal Work-Study Program	750	750	1,500	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Federal Direct Subsidized Loan	1,750	1,750	3,500	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan	1,000	1,000	2,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Total	\$25,755	\$25,755	\$51,510		

Outside Scholarships/Resources:

Total outside scholarships and/or other education resources for the academic year, as reported by you:

\$1,000 Computer Science League Scholarship
\$500 Boston Karate Scholarship

This letter is for your records and does not need to be returned to us unless you would like to decline any of the aid offered to you. If you do not want to accept particular awards, or you would like to accept less than the amount offered, please indicate the revised amount on the line next to the appropriate award(s), initial your changes, make a photocopy for your records, and return the original to our office.

SAMPLE UNIVERSITY

Dear Joe Sample:

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Office of University Financial Aid has prepared this statement using the following criteria:

Academic Level: Undergraduate Freshman
Dependency Status: Dependent
College: Undergraduate
Major/Program of Study: Non-Declared Major
Housing Category: On-Campus Housing

ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE:	\$55,000
Tuition and fees:	\$39,000
Housing and meals:	\$13,000
Books and supplies:	\$ 1,000
Personal and miscellaneous:	\$ 2,000

AWARD

Description	Fall	Spring	Total	Accepted Y/N
1 President's Scholarship	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	Y/N
Federal Pell Grant	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00	Y/N
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	Y/N
2 State Scholarship	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$900.00	Y/N
3 Federal Work-Study (FWS)	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00	Y/N
Federal Perkins Loan	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	\$2,500.00	Y/N
Federal Stafford Loan – Subsidized	\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00	\$3,500.00	Y/N
Federal Stafford Loan – Unsubsidized	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	Y/N
Total:	\$34,100.00			

If any of the information in the table above is incorrect, please contact the Office of Financial Aid in writing or via the Ask the Counselor service.

Office of University Financial Aid
Sample University, 199 State Street, 4th Floor, City, MA 02009
800.555.1212 www.sampleuniversity.edu

A+ Scholarship Program



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A+ Coordinator

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[Park Hill A+ Website](#)

Why should seniors complete the A+ Scholarship Program?

1. **2 years free** community college or vocational/technical school in MO
2. Several 4-year universities in MO offer **A+ Recognition Scholarships**
 - a. Northwest, MO State, Truman, Park, MO Southern, & more!
3. Can take **2 summer classes for free** at community college BEFORE attending a 4-year university
4. Looks great on resumes and college/scholarship applications
5. Students have 4 years after graduation to use A+ (good back up plan)

A+ Senior Deadlines (mid-year grads are different)

- **December:** FAFSA opens up (all A+ students must apply)
- **Selective Service:** All males within 30 days of their 18th birthday must register with selective service
- **April 19:** Attendance Appeals due (students will be contacted)
- **May 1:** All 50 Mentoring & Tutoring hours are due (Dec. for midyear)
 - Aspiring Educators = 50 hours
 - Aspiring Professionals = 12.5 hours (only 1 semester counts)
 - NCAPS = 12.5 hours (only 1 semester counts)
 - Child Growth & Development = 20 hours

How do students notify colleges that they are A+ students?

The official high school transcript will be stamped with a “Completion of A+ Scholarship Program”. When the school receives the transcript, they will see the A+ stamp.

- Some 4-year schools have applications that must be completed by a certain date. Check that university’s website.
- Some 4-year schools require a letter from the A+ Coordinator.

How do I find scholarships?

- Resources listed on our counseling website, newsletter or click links below:
 - Xello - click on College Planning > View My Scholarships > Search for Local Scholarships
 - [Fastweb](#)
 - <https://myscholarshipcentral.org/>
 - [Greater Kansas City Community Foundation](#)
- Scholarships will be posted in the following places:
 - Park Hill Counseling page on Facebook
 - Xello
 - Schoology in grade level group
 - Twitter/X
 - Occasional emails will be sent out.
- **You should NEVER pay to apply to a scholarship or FAFSA. If you are asked, it is a scam.**

How do I obtain letters of recommendation?

- Ask for letters of recommendation from teachers/counselors 2-3 weeks in advance, if possible!
- When asking a teacher/counselor for a letter of recommendation, have your resume prepared and ready to give them.
- If letter is for a scholarship, be sure to provide the teacher/counselor with details about the scholarship so they can be specific to any necessary details in their letter.
- In many cases, it would be beneficial for your counselor to have VERY specific information about you that they might not already know, so consider filling out the student questionnaire
 - [CLICK HERE](#) for PHHS SENIOR Questionnaire
- Attend the writing lab w

How do I create a resume?

- Create using the Resume Builder Feature in Xello Student
 - Login to Xello through portal
 - Click About Me
 - Click Resume- update
 - Students can add activities as they go through high school and it will save them so when they want to print resumes as a senior, there isn't as much work to do!
- Create using Microsoft Word
 - When creating a new document, type "Resume" in the "search for online templates" box. Many resume options will appear. Select one to open and edit it.

What is the timeline for my senior year?

- Fall 2024
 - Narrow College Search
 - Visit college campuses and meet in person or virtually with college reps
 - Complete college applications (pay close attention to automatic scholarship deadlines)
 - Retake ACT to improve score
 - File FAFSA starting December 1, 2024
 - Complete A+ hours
 - Research and start applying for scholarships
 - Prepare any necessary essays
 - Ask for recommendations (utilizing resume/student questionnaire)

What is the timeline for my senior year?

- Spring 2024
 - Compare Financial Aid awards
 - Decide on college that is right for you
 - Be sure to meet your college's admissions, financial aid, housing, deposit and other deadlines.
 - Continue researching and applying for scholarships
 - Continue working hard in school, last semester of high school matters!
 - Request final transcript to be sent to college of choice!
 - Complete Senior Exit Survey

Yearbook Information

Adviser: Jessica Tiller (Rm 350)

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- **PICTURE DAY (Not ID Picture):** September 20-21, 8:00am-1:45pm
 - SCH Photography is hosting
- **SENIOR Photos (cap and gown or formal portraits):** September 20-21
 - OR call SCH Photography for appointment (913) 384-9126
- **Yearbook Pre-order Deadline:** December 31, 2024 (\$75)
- **Yearbook Price Increases:** January 1, 2025 (\$80)
- **Purchase options:**
 - www.yearbookforever.com (until March 31, 2025)
 - In-person with cash/check between April 1-31 (cash price: \$85)

Senior Salutes

Adviser: Jessica Tiller (Rm 350)

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- **SENIOR AD Priority Deadline: Friday, November 22**
 - Senior ads are a "celebratory" message that family members can add to the yearbook for their graduating children.
- **Price: priced by page size (from \$80 for a 1/8 page to \$300 for a full page)**

Submit at www.yearbookforever.com

**No picture collages accepted.*

Senior Salute Samples

Design is subject to change depending on the year, the yearbook theme and the staff designers.

The yearbook designs the ads. You just need to purchase and submit your message and photos at www.yearbookforever.com.

MARTA Richenburg

SOAR

Marta, We are very proud of you. You have grown into a beautiful young lady. We love you. It is your time to spread your wings and soar to your future. Mommy and daddy will be your wind beneath your wings to help you soar. Travel the world and see what it has to offer. Meet every challenge head on, and know that every hump in the road leads you to another road. And if ever that road leads you to sadness, don't be afraid to turn back and take another road. There is a road for everyone. We LOVE YOU!!!!!!
Mommy, Daddy, Ben, Henry







KATIE Modlin

Katie, You have always added so much joy to our family! We are so proud of you, your hard work, and all that you have achieved and accomplished! Despite difficult times, you have maintained a positive attitude, you choose to do! Always keep the faith, hold your head high, believe in yourself, and dream big! We will be here to cheer you on and support you in every accomplishment! Congratulations from your biggest fans! Love, Mom, Dad, and Holly




TAYLOR Moore

Congratulations! We are so proud of you and what you have accomplished! We can't wait to see what the future holds!
Love, Dad, Mom, Erin & Dakota




ALEXA Lashbrook

Alexa, We are both so proud of your dedication and commitment you have shown in education and athletics. You brighten our lives with your kind heart, sense of humor, and beautiful smile! It is our hope that you will always cherish the happy memories of great friends and people that were an inspiration to you. Your compassion, determination, and talent will take you anywhere your heart desires. We know you will go on to do great things with your life and are always here to support you as you move forward in pursuit of your dreams. Love you with all our hearts! Mom and Dad





ZACH Linard

Zach, Your mom & I are very proud of all the accomplishments you have made. As you move towards the next chapter, let your heart guide you and ALWAYS believe in yourself. We will always be your biggest fans. Remember to pursue your dreams, work hard, and most of all HAVE FUN! You are a wonderful son and awesome big brother. We love you- Mom & Dad





JOSEPH Serrone

Joseph Domenic Serrone, It seems like yesterday I was walking you into your first day of Kindergarten. I am so proud of the young man you have grown into and the self motivation you display. I love you and know you will do great things in your life. I will always be here to encourage and support you. I know your dad is proud and watching over you. Love, Mom
"Let me guess who will win, eenie, meenie, miny, moe..." - Ella
"Joseph I am going to guess all the Pokémon but first I need batteries." - Liam
"That's a wrap Chief!" - Peter
"Liam I just realized it's 'bless the rains' not 'miss the rains'." - Mom







Senior Exec Information

Sara Holmes & Amanda Irvin-Black

- Homecoming - October 12, 2024
- Josten's Meetings for cap and gown - October 14, 2024
- Josten's Order Days for grad announcements, cap, and gown - October 23, 2024/October 31, 2024/November 21, 2024
- In April you will get a letter from Dr. Kincheloe about senior events (cap and gown pickup, exit survey, etc)
- In May all senior events will take place:
 - Senior awards night - TBD
 - Senior countdown - 5/14
 - Senior fun day - 5/15
 - Senior breakfast/graduation practice - 5/16
 - Graduation - 5/17

Where to find us online...

Counseling Website: <https://phhs.parkhill.k12.mo.us/student-support>



Park Hill High School Counseling Department



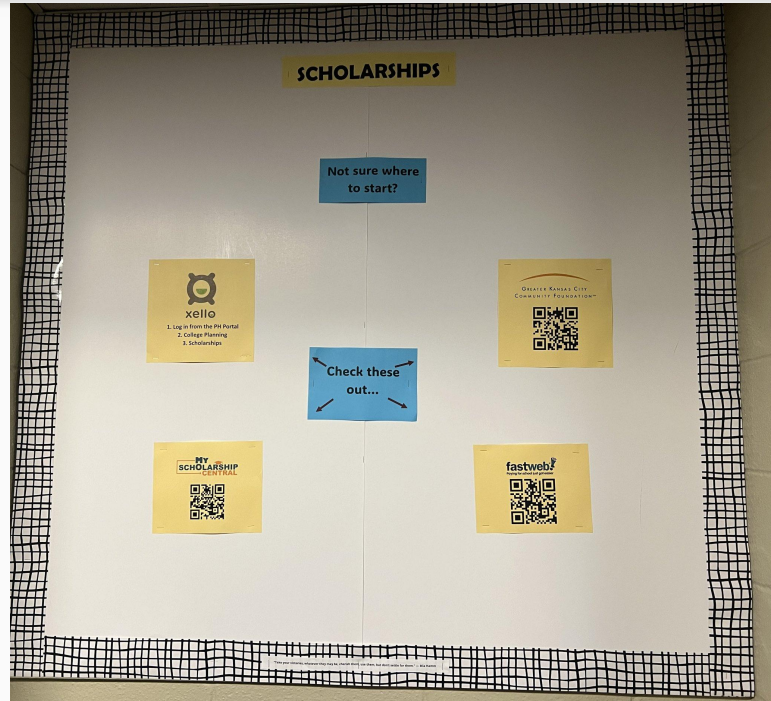
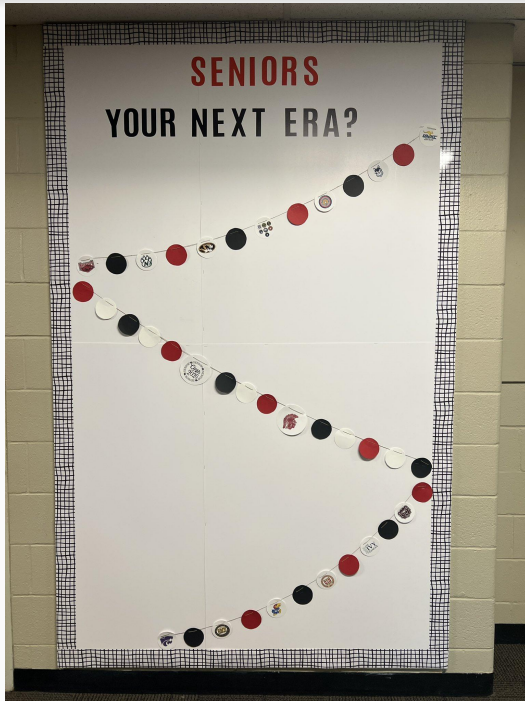
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Info on the Counseling Bulletin Boards



Sign Up for Individual Meetings

- If you haven't signed up for your individual meeting with your counselor, please do so before you leave.
- Go to your school email and look for the email from your counselor with the link to sign up in Calendly.