

POSTSECONDARY ADMISSIONS A GUIDE FOR GRADE 8



CAREER GUIDANCE
WASHINGTON



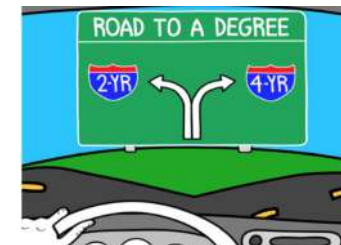
HUSKY OR COUGAR OR...?

- ▶ Washington State has six four-year public colleges
 - University of Washington
 - Washington State University
 - Western Washington University
 - The Evergreen State College
 - Eastern Washington University
 - Central Washington University
- ▶ There are also 34 community and technical colleges
- ▶ What else is available?



Postsecondary Options

- ▶ 4-Year Colleges
- ▶ There are also 34 community and technical colleges
- ▶ Military Training
- ▶ Industry Standard Certificate Programs
- ▶ Apprenticeships
- ▶ Internships
- ▶ On the Job Training
- ▶ Where do you want to go?



WILL YOU BE READY?

- ▶ Work hard in high school
- ▶ Apply during Fall of senior year
- ▶ Graduate in good standing
- ▶ Meet college admission requirements



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ College Academic Distribution Requirements (*these are MORE than HS graduation requirements*)
- ▶ 2.0 minimum GPA
- ▶ Official SAT/ACT test scores sent directly to the college



COLLEGE ACADEMIC DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECT	REQUIREMENTS (Note that requirements may change)
ENGLISH 4 credits	Including 3 credits of college prep composition or literature
MATH 3 credits	Algebra I & II + Geometry or Integrated Math I, II, III Must take a math-based quantitative course senior year
SCIENCE 2 credits	One credit must be in an algebra-based science course One credit must be in biology, chemistry, or physics
SOCIAL STUDIES 3 credits	History or other social science
WORLD LANGUAGE 2 credits	2 credits must be earned in the same language 1 credit may be earned during middle school
ARTS 1 credit	Fine, visual, or performing arts



CLUBS, SPORTS, ACTIVITIES

- ▶ In addition to academics, show colleges your interests and skills:
 - Join clubs
 - Participate in activities
 - Play a sport
 - Volunteer at school or in your community



LEARN MORE ABOUT COLLEGE

- ▶ Ask your school counselor about summer programs:
 - WSU Cougar Quest
 - UW Summer Classes for Teens
 - WWU College Quest
 - And more...
- ▶ Live on campus
- ▶ Try out a college major
- ▶ Scholarships available!



HOW WILL YOU GET THERE?

- ▶ Take rigorous classes in high school
- ▶ Join activities, clubs, and sports teams
- ▶ Research majors and careers
- ▶ Visit colleges
- ▶ Decide where to apply!

