Overview of the Half Hollow Hills High School Counseling Experience

With a Focus on the Post-Secondary Process & Naviance
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What Do School Counselors Do?

More Important Question:

"How are students different as a result of what school counselors do?"

Evolution of the School Counselor's Role

(Holistic & Comprehensive Approach)

- Social-Emotional Learning
 - Self-awareness; self management; social awareness; relationship skills; responsible decision making
- Counseling Students with Behavioral/Attendance Concerns
- Individual Needs & Group Issues (Peer Relations/Mediations)
- Collaborate with Stakeholders to Promote Student Progress
- Partnering with Parents & Teachers
- Individual Course Planning & Career Readiness (Naviance)
- Post-Secondary Planning/Careers (Naviance)
- Graduation

Counseling Program & NYSED ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act)

- "Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child" multi-tiered model to promote positive school climates that, in turn, improve student outcomes
- School climate is the way school culture affects a child's sense of safety & acceptance, and consequently, is a critical determinant of their ability to focus on the task of learning
- Lessons provided in classes and/or small groups addressing specific & relevant student competencies in career/college readiness, academic skills & social/emotional development

Why the School Counselor & Student Relationship is Important

- Provide a safe, trusting & supportive atmosphere
- Liaison for support within the school
- Teach strategies and skills for self-advocacy
- Educational planning and course advisement
- Post-secondary & career planning



What Does a High School Counselor Handle & Manage?

SAT. ACT, SAT II, PSAT	Bullying/ Harassment/ Social Media	Social Issues/ Assist Students in Adapting	Scheduling Issues	Monitor Academic Progress	Senior & Junior Awards	Mini College Days
Financial Aid Night	Alcohol & Drug Issues	Parent Concerns	College Applications	Liaison to Administration	NCAA Clearinghouse	On- Site College Admissions
Scholarships	New Entrant Orientation	Committee on Special Education	Recommendation Letters	Grade Level Orientations & Meetings	Naviance Assessments	Testing Modifications
Peer Tutoring	Troubleshoot Problems	Illness; Homebound Instruction	Junior Conferences	Non-Standard Doc's to College Board & ACT	Summer School Registration	AP Examinations
Wilson Tech & Cultural Arts	Teacher Conflicts	Relationship Issues; Identity Issues	Contacting Colleges	Collaborate with School Psychologists	Academic Concerns	Special Education Liaison

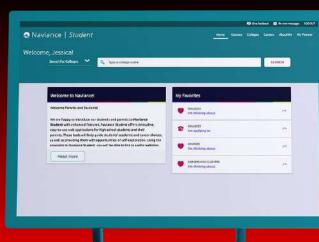
What is Naviance?

 Naviance is a college and career readiness platform that helps students connect career assessments/interests/college planning to post-secondary goals and success

Each year we conduct a specific program in small groups as it

pertains to grade level

Building Block of Tools: Learning Styles, Personality Type & Career Assessments, College/Career Planning & College Searches



High School Experience

Grade 9 (The Foundation Year)

- Freshmen Orientation (<u>Everything Counts Now!</u>)
- Naviance "Learning Style Inventory" (How do you optimize learning?)
- Join clubs, sports, organizations and/or volunteer your time in the community (Over <u>70</u> options available!)
- SAT II (Subject Test) for students in H-Biology or AP Environmental Science

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"Learning Styles Inventory"

What is it?

- Online assessment that evaluates a student's unique learning styles based on an analysis of personal preferences in 16 different domains. (No right or wrong answers.)
- Focused on: student's environment (sound, light, heat & design); emotionality (motivation, persistence, & structure), sociological needs (self-oriented, peer-oriented, or adult-oriented), & physical needs (time of day and mobility).
- Purpose? Help students look at themselves differently
 - Create individualized smart goals & discuss results with students

High School Experience

<u>Grade 10</u> (The Discovery Year)

- Naviance Career Assessment "Do What You Are"
 - What careers matches your personality at this point?
- Select electives which complement potential career interests
- Is Wilson Tech an option for Grades 11 & 12?
- Student Athletes & NCAA Requirements (Core Course GPA)
- Sophomore "Jump-Start" Evening (Parents Only)
- SAT II's & AP Exams





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"Do What You Are" is a personality-type assessment. It reveals information about a student's <u>strengths</u> & <u>blind spots</u>, suggested career paths & college majors, tips for effective career search.

- Enables self-discovery; helps match personal skills & interests to career paths
- Educates students about different career options
- Provides students an understanding of coursework needed to reach their career goals
- Enables students to search for post-secondary options with specific majors

High School Experience

Grade 11 (The Exploration Year)

- Junior Orientation & Naviance (Start of college search)
- PSAT in October; SAT I, SAT II, ACT Exam, AP Exams
- National Honor Society Eligibility Determined (Mid-year)
- Junior Conference (How & Where to Apply: Safety, Target & Reach)
- GPA sent to colleges is determined at the end of the junior year



JUNIORS

Naviance helps high school students:

- SuperMatch® tool helps students research colleges that are the "Right Fit"
- Matches students to colleges and careers based on interests & goals
- Compares admissions rates at students' top college choices
- Make informed decisions about college
- admissions
- Explore alternative career options for the non-college bound student



High School Experience

Grade 12 (The Transition Year)

- Senior Orientation: Review college application process or other post-graduate plans
- Culmination of a successful four-year experience. What are the next steps?
- 4 year college? 2 Year College?
 - Vocational School/Training?
 - Work? Military?
- Financial Aid Night in October
- College Day Trips Available through Huntington Youth Bureau

SENIORS

Naviance helps high school students:

- Helps schools track progress & student outcomes
- Allows schools to manage the college admissions & application process
- Students can view acceptance history of prior applicants (anonymously)
- College comparisons
- Explore scholarships
- View news regarding college visits & "on-site" college application opportunities

Is College My Destination?

Goal:

 Finding the "Right Fit" in the College Search Process

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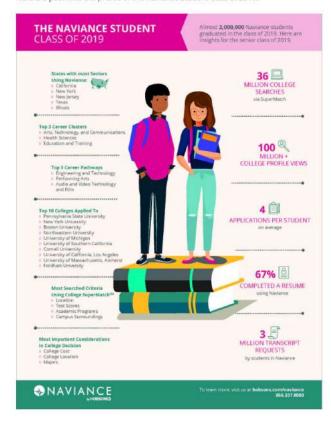
- Avoid "Senioritis"
- All College Acceptances are <u>CONDITIONAL</u>





Naviance 2019

Here is a peek into the profile of the Naviance Student class of 2019:



Scheduling

Process & Timeline (Begins in January)

- Periods 1-9
- School day is from 7:19 am to 2:00 pm
- Carefully review Course Offering Book & Elective Sheets available at the HHH Website
- Look for electives that are of interest
- Importance of alternates/backups
- Student-Driven

Overview of Graduation Requirements

<u>Diploma Types:</u>

Local Regents

Advanced Regents

Credit Requirements:

- 4 credits in English
- 4 credits in Social Studies
- 3 credits in Science
- 3 credits in Math
- 1 credit in LOTE**
- 1 credit in Art/Music
- 2 credits of Physical Education
- ½ credit of Health
- 3.5 credits of Electives

22 credits

**LOTE may be waived for student with classified disability

4+1 Multiple Pathways:

Regents Exams (4)

- ELA (English Language Arts)
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies

<u>Plus + 1</u>:

5th Regents Exam

Questions?