

JUNIOR INFORMATION 2019-2020

TO: Juniors
FROM: Mrs. Hipps, School Counselor
RE: Junior Information

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

24 Credits

4 English
4 Social Studies
3 Math
3 Science
1/2 Credit of Health
1/2 Credit in Life After High School
1/2 Credit Computer Applications
1 Credit of Physical Education (1/4 credit each year)

Advanced Placement classes are awarded an extra .05%. If you are unsure about your credits, please see your school counselor.

KEYSTONE EXAMS:

Algebra I
Literature
Biology

CAREER READY PORTFOLIO:

Eight career artifacts. Two of those artifacts must be a Career Plan.

JUNIOR CONFERENCE:

Please schedule a junior conference with Mrs. Hipps as needed.

PSAT:

PSAT on Wednesday, October 16th at Yough High School. (All Juniors in College or Advanced English 11 have the option to take the test. Cost: Free)

FREE SAT AND ACT PREP:

SAT/ACT Prep is a free service offered through Yough High School. Please see Mrs. Rogge (Room 118) or Mr. Schmook (Room 215) to register.

SAT and ACT:

College bound juniors typically take the SAT and/or ACT two times in the spring of their Junior year; however, each test can be taken earlier in the junior year if needed. The SAT/ACT registration info sheet is found under the "Guidance" tab of the Yough High School Website.

COLLEGE IN HIGH SCHOOL AND TRANSFERRING CREDITS IN PA :

An information session on the Dual Enrollment process will occur Friday, September 20, 2019 during 1st period. It may go into 2nd period as well. Pennsylvania Transfer and Articulation Center can assist with understanding how some colleges transfer credits. The website is patrac.org

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) TESTING:

New Process from College Board: Students interested in taking an AP test will need to register in the fall of 2019. More information will be available soon.

JOB SHADOWING :

Students are encouraged to job shadow an occupation of interest. Your counselor will walk you through the steps including documentation and permission forms. Permission is needed in advance.

**COLLEGE, TECHNICAL
SCHOOL AND CAREER
NIGHT:**

Westmoreland County Community College
Wednesday, September 25th, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Financial Aid Workshop: 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

ASVAB:

Military & career test will be scheduled in the Fall of 2019.

**FINANCIAL AID
NIGHT:**

A financial aid night is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 7th, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**COLLEGE, TRADE,
TECHNICAL, OR
BUSINESS SCHOOL:**

You must obtain a school visitation slip from guidance, have it signed, and returned to the **high school office** at least one day before your scheduled visit. Juniors are permitted to use 2 visitation days.

ATTENDANCE:

Pennsylvania permits parents or guardians to write excuses for up to 10 days. Anything over the limit is considered illegal and will be evaluated for charges filed with the magistrate.

**WEBSITES FOR
SCHOLARSHIPS:**

<http://www.collegeboard.com>
<http://www.fastweb.com>
<http://www.TuitionFundingSources.com>

**GUIDANCE
CONTACT:**

Guidance Visitation Request Form or by email
hippsg@youghsd.net

For additional information about what is going on in the guidance office go to
www.youghsd.net

Click: Schools
Go to: Yough High School
Click: Guidance Department

HAVE A GREAT JUNIOR YEAR!