



College Corner

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IMPORTANT DATES

11/27 to 11/29-
Thanksgiving Break

12/16– 2A, 4A Exams

12/17– 2B, 4B Exams

12/18– 1A, 3A Exams

12/19– 1B, 3B Exams

12/20 to 1/6– Winter Break

1/7– Students return for 2nd Semester

THE HOLIDAY HOMESTRETCH

Can you believe we only have two full weeks left until we start semester finals? This is important because final semester grades are recorded on your transcript and sent to colleges !

Seniors

- Narrow down your **College choices**. By now, you should have applied to several schools that you may be interested in attending. Now is the time to start narrowing that list to a small number.
- **Review your transcript**. Make an appointment with your school counselor to re-view this important document. This piece of paper will influence decisions that others make about you for the rest of your life
- **Apply, apply, apply! It is never too early to start applying for schools or scholarships**. If you haven't applied to a school you're interested in, now is the time! Ideally, you would like to have applications in to any school you might be interested before we leave for the holiday break. This allows time for processing of records.
- Begin collection of your **Letters of Recommendation**. You want to ask people that know you and will give a shining recommendation. A brag sheet or discussion with your reference person on what you want said can be advantageous for both you and the reference person. We recommend having 5 letters of recommendation with at least 2 being from outside of school.
- **Turn in any make-up work**. You may have missed an assignment at some point in the first semester. Now is the time to turn in that missing work! Semester grades will be posted after our break and it is important that your transcript reflect an accurate picture of your grades!

Juniors

- Review your grades and determine where adjustments are needed to reach your goals.
- Sign up and take the PSAT.
- Make a College List.
- Begin studying for the ACT in the Spring.

Sophomores

- Begin to think about your academy choice, you will have an opportunity to change this spring
- Stay on track with your grades.
- Explore colleges and possible careers.

Freshmen

- Visit College Club!
- Check out the Hub!
- Start to explore careers.
- Get involved. Join clubs & organizations to gain some additional experiences.

COUNSELORS

Academy of Health & Human Services
International Baccalaureate
Sharika Starks

Academy of Hosp., Marketing and Business
Pamela Williams

Griffin Academy of Design & Technology
Joseph Levickis

Freshman Academy
Alejandra Morales

College Counselor
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THE WARRIOR VISION

THE FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS OF HUNTERS LANE HIGH SCHOOL WILL PROVIDE A NURTURING ENVIRONMENT WHERE GROWTH AND RESPONSIBILITY ARE VALUED, AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IS A DAILY PURSUIT.

FYI COLLEGE 101

- Don't feel forced to declare a major immediately. However, make sure you try to do so by the end of your freshmen year.
- You don't have to choose between college or having a life. As you learn to balance school and life, you'll see that you can study hard and play hard and still have fun
- Take advantage of all the resources offered by your college, such as a free health clinic or a career center and alumni network.

THE HUB

The Hub is a new partnership between Hunters Lane and the Martha O'Bryan Center! The Hub is an academic student union, modeled after a college student union, providing academic, social and emotional, work and career, and college prep supports. Starting September 26, The Hub will provide after-school programming from 2:05 to 5:30 Monday through Thursday. During programming, students can receive homework help and tutoring, explore their interests and dreams for college and career, and participate in enrichment activities such as spoken word, music recording, cooking club, dance club, and more! An MNPS bus will provide transportation home at 5:30 for students who live in the Hunters Lane cluster. Students who would like to participate must have a permission packet signed by a parent or guardian and bring it back to The Hub staff (room 214). Permission packets are available for pickup in The Hub or in each principal/academy office. For more information on after-school programming, please e-mail Raymond Tate, Program Coordinator – rtate@marthaobryan.org. For more information on college prep for 12th graders, please e-mail Laura Herrell, Lead Transition Coach – lherrell@marthaobryan.org.

TESTS

- **ACT- Fall Dates Only**

Test Date	Sign up Deadline
December 14	November 8
February 8	January 10
- **SAT-Fall Dates only**

Test Date	Sign up Deadline
December 7	November 8
March 14	February 14

HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Sites that are useful when planning for your college career:

www.CollegeforTN.org

www.Fasfa.ed.gov

www.exploringcollegeoptions.org

www.TNPromise.gov

www.Fastweb.com

www.NashvilleScholarships.com

www.TNTransferPathway.org

www.CollegeData.com

www.BigFuture.CollegeBoard.com

www.Finanaid.com

www.eCampusTours.com

www.WiredScholarships.com

NCAA-www.EligibilityCenter.org

YOUTUBE: The College Lady

www.WeeklyScholarshipAlert.com

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