Wheaton Warrenville South High School

Counseling Center Newsletter

December, 2024



Second Semester Schedules

 $Students\ can\ access\ their\ second\ semester\ schedules\ on\ Student Vue.$

The following schedule changes are the only available options to students for 2nd semester:

All schedule change requests (including level changes) must be completed by Friday, December 6th.

<u>Level Change</u>	2nd Semester Elective Change	Drop A Class for a Study Hall
 Students must start the conversation with their first-semester teacher for approval. A level-change form must be filled out and completed. The form can be picked up from the Counseling Center. 	 Sequential changes only. A new elective will be selected, as space is available. Fill out this <u>form</u> to request a sequential elective change. 	 Students may drop an elective for a study hall within the first 15 days of the semester. Fill out this form to request to drop a class for a study hall.

Seniors - Class of 2025 Updated FAFSA Information

The 2025-2026 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is open and available to be completed! Completing the FAFSA is free and it gives families access to the largest source of financial aid to help pay for college or career school. Many colleges use a student's FAFSA to determine eligibility for school aid.



FAFSA Completion Workshop: December 4, 2024 6-8pm

Families with questions about completing the FAFSA are invited to attend a FAFSA Completion Workshop on December 4 at WWS in the Counseling Center, led by Illinois Student Assistance Commission representatives. Spanish speaking professionals will also be available. Completing the FAFSA is a graduation requirement- consider filling it out ASAP!

Learn More

<u>Financial Aid Night Presentation (from 9/25/24)</u>
Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Resources

^{*}There will be another FAFSA Completion Workshop opportunity on January 15th from 6-8pm.

Local Scholarship Information

Seniors are encouraged to apply for Local Scholarships which are available to CUSD200 students. Follow this <u>link</u> for information about the scholarships and the separate 2024-2025 Local Scholarship Application.

<u>The application is DUE by February 19, 2025 by 12:30pm (turn completed applications into the Counseling Office Secretaries).</u>

Applications turned in after 12:30pm will not be accepted. Additionally, below the Local Scholarship Links, you'll find over 20 scholarship search engines & each one details who may want to utilize each link.

Learn More

College of DuPage Enrollment Workshops

Seniors who plan on attending the College of DuPage next year but want some help to stay on track can work through the enrollment process throughout the semester. Please come to the LIBRARY at the beginning of lunch periods for these sessions:

December 4: Student FAFSA ID (need social security number and personal email)

**Workshops will continue second semester

Wellness Series

On February 4th, our Senior class will have the opportunity to participate in a presentation during 7th period in the Auditorium presented by Guest Speaker, Dean Jeske. Dean is the parent of three Glenbard South graduates, whose youngest son, Peter, graduated in 2017. In April 2021, Peter was found dead in his college apartment after taking just a single pill that he believed to be a "safe" prescription drug. Jeske's presentation will tell Peter's story and give potentially life-saving information about this crisis. The goal of retelling his personal story is to educate and protect students from making life altering decisions. If you would like to know more details about this presentation, please view this short video.

wellness series

Scholarships

Junior Class of 2026

Junior Class Presentations

Juniors will attend large group presentations from Counselors on **January 14 or 16** from their English classes. After learning more about post-secondary education and planning, Juniors will have individual conferences with their counselor starting in late January and ending before Spring Break. Juniors will get a detailed transcript outlining their necessary graduation requirements for Senior year in order to aid in course selection.



All Students

TCD (Technology Center of DuPage)

TCD is hosting its Winter Open House on **Thursday, January 16, 2025** from 6:30-8:00 pm. Any interested families may attend to learn more about TCD and their programs. TCD applications will be available by January.

Learn More



SchooLinks

SchooLinks is our college and career exploration tool. All students can use the provided assessments to help with individualized career pathways planning. All students can also access their transcript from SchooLinks ("School"> "Record Requests"> "Download Unofficial Transcript"). Please note that 9th graders don't currently have a transcript because final grades have not been submitted.



Parents/Guardians- you can have access to SchooLinks as well! Please use the following links and directions to use your student's claim code and to create your own account.

Student: How to Invite Your Guardian and Find Your Claim Code

Parent: How to Create an Account and Claim a Student

All Students will follow the Final Exam Schedule December 18-20 (lunch and study hall period attendance are optional)

DAY 1: Wednesday, Dec. 18	DAY 2: Thursday, Dec. 19	DAY 3: Friday, Dec. 20	
PERIOD 1 : 7:20 - 8:50 am PASSING: 8:50 - 9:05 PERIOD 2 : 9:05 - 10:35 PASSING: 10:35 - 10:50 PERIOD 4 : 10:50 - 12:20 pm	PERIOD 3 : 7:20 - 8:50 am PASSING: 8:50 - 9:05 PERIOD 7 : 9:05 - 10:35 PASSING: 10:35 - 10:50 PERIOD 5 : 10:50 - 12:20 pm	PERIOD 8 : 7:20 - 8:50 am PASSING: 8:50 - 9:05 PERIOD 6 : 9:05 - 10:35 PASSING: 10:35 - 10:50 MAKE UP : 10:50 - 12:20 pm	

Academic Help:

Students and parents are encouraged to check StudentVue and ParentVue to stay up to date with class grades. Any student who needs additional support in academic classes should utilize the Resource options during access time and/or work with their teacher.

DEPARTMENT	P	ERIOD 4	PER	IOD 5	PERIOD 6
MATH/SCIENCE (Testing Center)		S236	s	236	S236
		students can com Tuesday	plete makeups an Wednesday	d retakes any dag	y of the week.
	onday I by Science	Staffed by Math	Staffed by Science	Staffed by Math	Staffed by Science
MATH/SCIENCE (Help Room)		S232	S	232	S232
	onday d by Math	Tuesday Staffed by Science	Wednesday Staffed by Math	Thursday Staffed by Science	Friday Staffed by Math
PE/HEALTH/ DRIVER EDUCATION (Help & Makeup)		AM ROOM (M/W/F) LDHOUSE (T/TH) Clark	FIELD	ROOM /W/F) HOUSE /TH) ward	TEAM ROOM (M/W/F) FIELDHOUSE (T/TH) Valenti
SOCIAL STUDIES		S140 Macabobby		I 40 Marzo	S140 Rediehs
English (Test makeup only) World Language (Help Room & Test Makeup)		G274 Maier		277 miento	G275 Bass

Upcoming Events



December 1: FAFSA Opens

December 4: FAFSA Completion Workshop

December 4: COD Steps to Enrollment Workshop during lunch periods

December 18-20: Final Exams (adjusted schedule)

December 22- Jan 6: Winter Break

January 14 & 16: Junior Presentations

January 15: FAFSA Completion Workshop

January 16: TCD Open House

January 20: No School- MLK Day

January 21 & 23: Seniors and TCD SOS Days

February 4: Senior Wellness Series Event during 7th period

February 19: Local Scholarship Applications Due

Community Resources

There might be times when your student or family needs resources not provided by the school. Our community has many resources available to access:

<u>Referral GPS</u>: An anonymous, easy-to-use, secure website to find local Mental Health and Substance Abuse treatment resources.

988 is now the number to dial for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

Proveedores de Servicios de Asistencia para Alquiler - Condado de DuPage Utilice este enlace

Mental Health Issues:

Wheaton Youth Outreach 630-682-1910
Warrenville Youth and Family Services 630-393-7057
DuPage County Health Department- Behavioral Health 630-682-7400
360 Youth Services 630-717-9408

Suicide Prevention:

<u>Crisis Line through Dupage County</u> 630-627-1700 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 800-273-8255

Substance Abuse:

Gateway Foundation 630-966-7400 Rosecrance 815-387-5615 Linden Oaks 630-305-5027 Central DuPage Hospital 630-933-1600

Healthcare:

<u>DuPage Community Clinic</u> 630-682-7400 <u>VNA (medical clinics)</u> 630-892-4355

Financial Needs:

<u>DuPage County Human Services</u> 630-407-6500 <u>DuPage Pads</u> 630-862-3846 <u>People's Resource Center</u> 630-682-5402

Visit our <u>Community Resources Page</u> for more resources and providers. As always, please contact a member of the Counseling Center if you have questions or concerns.

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