

V-News: Posse Scholarship Info Session for Juniors, Sophomore Connection, Free Summer Classes at NEIU (05/24/2021)

Important Dates

Monday, May 31: Memorial Day - No School

Thursday, June 10: Staff Development Day - Early Dismissal for Students

Tuesday, June 22: Q4 Ends

SENIOR UPDATES:

More updates later this week - continue to check [the Senior Updates website!](#)

May 25-27, 4-6PM: Dress and Suit Drive at Amundsen to pick a dress or suit from donations!

June 11th: Prom-Style celebration: [Buy your tickets BY MAY 28 by clicking here!](#)

June 13th: Graduation: [Find out about senior fees!](#)

Seniors: Make Sure to Complete Your Learn.Plan.Succeed (LPS) Graduation Requirement

Watch this [LPS Step-by-Step Video for Students and Families](#)

Show Us the Money!

Seniors - make sure to upload all of your financial aid award letters/financial aid packages to your Senior Folders on your Google Drive by Sunday, May 30! This includes the colleges/universities you are not planning to attend. You will be entered into a raffle for a goodie bag! Let's break last year's record for scholarship money earned!



AMUNDSEN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

An Enchanted Evening Under the Stars

Prom-Style Celebration

AHS Seniors Only ~ No Date Required :)

Attendees must wear masks AND dressed to impress

JUNE 11, 2021

5:30-11:00PM

THE TRANSFORMED AMUNDSEN BACK LOT

Tickets \$100 - Pay by May 28th at
amundsenhs.org/fees



After School Tutoring: Finish the Semester with the Help You Need!

Tutoring is available Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. It will be hybrid, so students can attend from school or remotely.

[Click here to sign up for tutoring](#). Check out the schedule!

Semester 2 Q4

Effective 4/26/21

NO WEDNESDAY TUTORING

3:00 – 4:30	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
Math	Algebra 1&2 Geometry	Algebra 1&2 Geometry Pre-calc/Calculus	Algebra 1&2 Geometry Pre-calc/Calculus
Science	Biology Chemistry Physics	Biology Chemistry Physics	Biology Chemistry
English	English 1-4	English 1-4	English 1-4
CTE	Exploring Computer Science (ECS) CCRF		Col Car Ready Foundations (CCRF) ECS
Music	Music (3:00-4:00)	Music (3:00-4:00)	Music (3:00-4:00)
PE/Health		PE Health	PE Health
World Lang		French (3:00-4:00)	Spanish (3:00-4:00)
SC	SC - Instructional	SC - Instructional	SC - Instructional

Tutoring will start late (3:30) on May 13, June 10th. (early release day for students)

SCHOLARSHIP ALERT FOR JUNIORS: Posse Scholarship Info Session

For current JUNIORS, Class of 2022: the AHS Scholarship Team is hosting a virtual information session with a Posse Representative on June 1st at 3:00-4:00 pm. Stay tuned for a flyer and virtual link to learn more about the Posse Scholarship present. Check on the [Posse informational video](#) and [Chicago Posse website](#) for information.

What is the Posse Scholarship? For more than 30 years, Posse has identified and trained young people with extraordinary potential who might be missed by elite schools. Our program places Scholars in supportive, multicultural groups of 10 students — Posses. With mentoring and full-tuition leadership scholarships from our partner colleges, Posse Scholars graduate at a rate of 90 percent. As alumni, they are well prepared and positioned for success.

Are you interested in getting nominated for Posse?? [Click here to fill out this form.](#)

For Current Freshman: Sophomore Connection!

We hope you're excited to get back to the classroom this fall. We wanted to remind you of a new opportunity that can help you get a head start on the new school year – Sophomore Connection. This opt-in transition program is open to all soon-to-be sophomores (current Freshman) who missed out on Freshman Connection and have spent most of this year learning remotely. This free program is a great way for you to learn about high school before the first day.

This summer, get ready for next year with Sophomore Connection! Sign up May 17 through

June 4th at this link:

<https://go.cps.edu/high-school/freshman-sophomore-connections>



Enrichment: Going Above & Beyond → [Click here for link to tracker](#) ←

Looking for something to do this summer? Click on the Enrichment tracker above to check out so many amazing programs available to YOU!

CPS Virtual Field Trips!

[Click here to begin!](#) College virtual field trips give students and their families a chance to get information from a large number of colleges and meet college admissions representatives at one local event. Some fairs feature a wide variety of colleges, such as regional and national fairs, while others focus on certain types of colleges, such as historically black colleges and universities (HBCU), military colleges, or colleges with strong athletics programs. Open to all grade levels.

Northeastern Illinois University (NEIU) Free Summer Courses!

NEIU is offering FREE College Credit Summer Dual Enrollment classes for rising juniors, rising seniors and those planning to attend NEIU in Fall 2021 (graduated seniors). This is a great opportunity for students to take a course, engage with peers, explore majors, and become familiar with a university campus at no cost.

The NEIU summer dual enrollment courses will start on July 2nd and end on August 12th. Students will be able to select from one of the following four liberal arts courses:

ART 120: Drawing 1

CMTC 101: Public Speaking

LING 120: Language and Human Behavior

PSCI 210: Introduction to Political Science

[Please complete this form by clicking this link!](#)



Dual Enrollment



Get a Jump Start on College - Earn Free Credit at NEIU!

College Classes for High School Students

Northeastern Illinois University's College of Arts and Sciences is offering a great opportunity for high school students to get an early college experience, fully supported by scholarships!

Experience college class rigor at Northeastern Illinois University this summer as a high school student.

Dual Enrollment Overview

You'll earn 3 credits on a NEIU transcript that will also count toward your high school graduation (and are widely transferable to many other institutions). You'll be taking a real college course with NEIU students, supported by NEIU advisors and staff to optimize your success; and you'll have a student ID giving you all the privileges of any other NEIU student: access to the library, the gym, student services, and more! You'll connect with other motivated high school students from around the city.

Space is Limited!

Students must meet certain academic requirements for admission, including a recommendation from their counselor or principal.

Requirements

- High school junior or senior in good standing. Priority will be given to seniors attending NEIU in Fall 2021.
- Minimum cumulative unweighted grade point average of 2.5
- At least 80% attendance
- Signed recommendation form from the principal or guidance counselor
- Apply to NEIU admission
- Official transcript
- Parental Consent Form
- Student and parent/legal guardian must participate in a mandatory orientation.

Ready to Apply?

Complete the interest form by June 4, 2021

Visit the link: <https://bit.ly/DENEIU>

Once submitted, an NEIU CCAS staff member will schedule an appointment to guide you through the official Dual Enrollment application process.

For More Information About Admissions and How To Apply, Please Contact:

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www.centerforcollegeaccessandsuccess.org

Bottom Line

Deadline: June 15, 2021

Open for JUNIORS: Bottom Line is an organization dedicated to helping rising seniors apply for college. With services like creating a college match list, applying for scholarships and more.

Bottom Line advisors are dedicated to providing the best individual college counseling services.

The program is free. Apply today! [Click here for link.](#)

Hispanic National Bar Foundation

Deadline: June 14, 2021

The Future Latino Leaders Summer Law Institute is a unique program designed to inspire students to pursue careers in law, supporting the HNBF's mission to increase diversity in the legal profession. The Institute will take place from July 13-15, 2021 through an online format. Open for all grade levels! [Click here for link.](#)



Scholarship Spotlight

PepsiCo Juice to Succeed Scholarship

Deadline: June 1, 2021; [Click here for link!](#)

The Juice to Succeed Scholarship is designed to help deserving CPS high school Seniors who have been accepted to a four-year college and can demonstrate financial need. Up to 3 students will earn renewable scholarships of \$50,000 each for undergraduate study.

Eligibility: Be a CPS graduating senior (Class of 2021), Identify as Black or African-American and/or Hispanic or Latino, Possess a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5, Be planning to pursue an undergraduate degree at a 4-year college or university, Demonstrate financial need, leadership, and participation in school and community activities.

[Watch Ms. Lopez in a preview video to learn more!](#)

Seniors: Thinking about Becoming a Teacher and Going to City Colleges?! Keep reading!

Seniors who are thinking of becoming educators and are attending the City Colleges of Chicago (CCC) in the Fall: the CCC announced a new, up to \$3,000 annual scholarship in support of CPS graduates pursuing teaching careers.

Class of 2021 and 2020 graduates with a 2.5 GPA or better are eligible, and they are accepting applications now at cps.edu/applyTCT.

CPS Dream Fund Scholarship for Undocumented Students

Deadline: June 1, 2021; [Click here for link!](#)

The goal of the scholarship is to assist talented Undocumented Students and DREAMers in their quest to pursue a post-secondary education.

Eligibility: Undocumented graduating CPS senior (Class of 2021), Minimum GPA of 2.5 (weighted), and If Eligible, Apply for the SY21 Alternative Application for Illinois Financial Aid

Attending Southern Illinois University next Fall?!

SIU admitted Fall 2021 students, SIU announced scholarship opportunities. Eligible students who are admitted before the new deadline of July 1, 2021 will receive awards! Check out their scholarships. <https://scholarships.siu.edu/types/freshmen/>



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Tips of the day:

- * Catch up on missing work
- * Ask questions to your teachers!
- * Set a goal you want to achieve by the end of this week.

Question of the day: What's your favorite color?

School Counselor Information

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