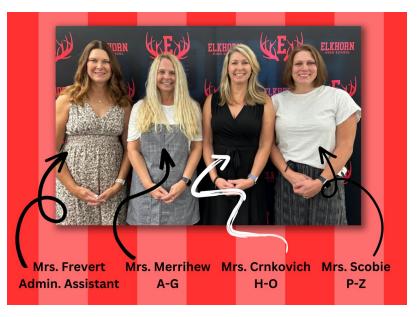
# **WELCOME TO SENIOR SEMINAR!**

### Meet the Counselors:



Desiree Merrihew A-G

Megan Scobie
P-Z

Tracy Frevert Admin Assistant

Have Closed Chromebook on desk

# **Senior Seminar Documents**

- Senior Interview Form—Return to Counselor
- Senior Seminar Worksheet
   —You Keep
- PowerPoint Slides link in your email
- Quick Links Sheet in your email



## Senior Interview Documents

All seniors will meet individually with their counselor in the next few weeks

- Copy of Senior Interview/Transcript—will be mailed home after interview
- Educationquest College Planning Guide
- Additional Information as Needed

## Your Senior Year Agenda:

- 1. Make sure you you earn the necessary credits to graduate from EHS!
- 2. Plan what you would like to do after high school:
  - a. Continue to research Career Options.
  - b. Apply to colleges/trade schools online. (UNL, UNO, UNK Free until Nov.1)
- 3. Sign up for college admissions testing if you want to increase your score.
- 4. Research Athletic requirements if you plan to play in college.
- 5. Work with parents to complete the FAFSA (Financial Aid).
- 6. Apply for scholarships (Gears up after Thanksgiving).
- 7. Sign up for AP Testing.





	Credits Required for graduation	Credits <u>needed</u> for graduation	Credits Recommended <u>for most</u> Colleges	Credits <u>needed</u> for most colleges
English	8		8	
Social Studies	6	4	6	
Math	6		8	
Science	6		6	
PE	2			
Financial Literacy	1			
Electives	13	1		
Foreign Language	0		4	

4 Year College	OR Trade School	Apprenticeship	Military	Work
Top School Choice:	Top School Choice:	Trade:	Branch:	Type of Work:
Major:	Major:	Company Name:		
Sport:	Sport:			

#### Reminders:

- Each senior gets two college visit days that don't count against their attendance.
  - To get excused for college visit days, parents need to email trevert@epsne.org to fill out a form.
- Each student gets one free career day a year. See your counselor for more information.



Counselor will explain what the numbers mean.

NOTE: Any class beyond the requirement for graduation turns into an elective credit.

**EXAMPLE:** You have had 3 years of Social Studies–if you have current problems, it is considered an elective for high school graduation, but a social studies for college purposes.

 Complete plans for next year and fill in any blanks necessary.

**Important Reminders** 

#### General College Application Steps:

- Sept-Oct: Student completes online application. (Watch for deadlines.)
   A. See your counselor right away if you are using Common App.
- If a transcript is needed, follow these steps to request a transcript from EHS.
   On the Naviance home page, click on Colleges I am applying to, search for and add your college.
   Click the pink plus button and fill in accordingly.
- If requested, send ACT scores by logging into act.org.
   It was suggested that the students use their school email and <u>Ens(</u>student number)#!, if they can't remember their password, they will have to click on the forgot password button.
- 4. TBD: Fill out FAFSA. This is now a Nebraska High School REQUIREMENT.
- 5. Nov-End of year: Apply for Scholarships.

#### How to Find Scholarships:

- 1. Once you submit your college applications, colleges will look at you for their scholarships.
- Classlink—Naviance--Colleges—Scholarships & Money—Scholarship Search.
- 3. Elkhorn Foundation Scholarships & Achieve: www.elkhornfoundation.org. Opens Dec. 1.
- Set up a <u>ScholarshipQuest</u> Account: educationquest.org—tools—<u>ScholarshipQuest</u>. Set up account.

Requirements:	Gold \$1350	Gold Check List	Silver \$900	Silver Check List	\$500	Bronze Check List
AP Classes Taken (Grade of 3 or higher)	7		5-6		4	
AP Exams Taken By End of Senior Year	4		3	ed.	2	-
Years In Extracurricular Activities	4		3	et e	2	
Different Career Explorations	4		4		4	-
Community Service Hours	100+		75-99		50-74	-

Example: To earn Gold you must have checked all 5 boxes on the gold level.

Note: You must Apply to earn this through the EPS foundation website. Applications open on Dec. 1st.





### **Achieve Scholarships**



- Check which boxes that apply to you.
- To earn a scholarship, you **must** check all four boxes for the respective level.
- You must apply for this scholarship through the EPS Foundation—opens 12/1
- Click <u>Here</u> for Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Scholarship Information

Requirements:	Gold \$1350	Silver \$900	Bronze \$500
Semesters of Courses in One Designated Elective Program of Focus* (Grade of 3 or higher)	3	3	3
Years of Math	4	4	4
Years of either Social Studies OR Science	4	3	3
Different Career Explorations**		5	4
Hours of Career Experience over a minimum of two years during high school.		175	150
Years in School-Based Extracurricular Activities	4	3	2
Community Service Hours	100	75	50
Resume and Cover Letter	х	х	х
Enroll at post-secondary educational Institution	х	х	х

#### \*PROGRAMS OF FOCUS

- 1. Accounting: Accounting I (Semester 1), Accounting I (Semester 2), Accounting II OR Financial Wealth
- Business Administration: Business Mamt, Personal and Business Law, Economics OR Financial Wealth
   Culinary: Foods/Nutrition I. Foods/Nutrition II. Culinary Arts
- 4. Education: Child Development, Human Dev. & Relationships, Introduction to Education
- Engineering: Introduction to Design, Eng and Design OR Civil Eng & Architecture, Eng and Design OR
  Civil Eng & Architecture OR Capstone EDD
- 6. Health Care: Anatomy (Sem 1), Anatomy (Sem 2), Health Care Careers
- Information Technology: Programming I, AP Computer Science A (Sem 1), AP Computer Science A (Sem 2)
- 8. Journalism: Journalism, Photojournalism, Newspaper Convergence OR Yearbook
- 9. Marketing: Marketing I (Sem 1), Marketing I (Sem 2), Sports & Entertainment Marketing
- Small Engines: Small Engines I, Small Engines II, Any Skilled or Technical Science Class\*
- 11. Welding: Welding I, Welding II, Any Skilled or Technical Science Class\*
- 12. Woods: Woods I, Woods II Furniture, Woods III Cabinets

#### \*\* Career Explorations (cannot use the same category twice)

- Career tour
- Career/College Camp
- Career Exploring Program
- College Visit
- Eat with an Expert
- Elkhorn Technology Team
- Internship
- Job Shadow
- · Job with Bonafide employer
- Meet with military rep (see Naviance for sign-ups) OR ASVAB
- Teacher Cadet
- Other: Meet with college rep (see Naviance for sign-ups) OR College Fair at EHS on Sept. 9th at 6 pm

### Achieve Career/Tech Ed Scholarships

- To earn a scholarship, you must meet all requirements for the respective level.
- You must apply for this scholarship through the EPS Foundation—opens 12/1
- Click <u>Here</u> for detailed Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Scholarship Information

### Junior/Senior College Planning night:

- Monday September 9th 6:00pm to 7:30pm
  - Several Colleges will be present
  - Several Military Branches will be present
  - Parents and students invited

## Save the Date!

# **Construction Career Exploration Day**

#### **Construction Career Exploration Day:**

An opportunity for high school students to get a hands-on exposure to various construction, diesel, fire science and utility line programs.

#### When:

Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Lunch will be provided.

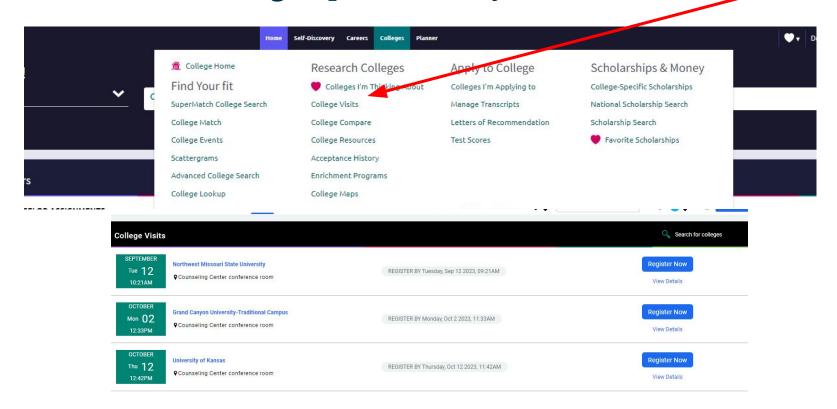
EHS will transport students.

#### Register:

Register with the counseling center by Tuesday, September 10th. First come, first served.

### Meet with college reps at EHS during the school day!

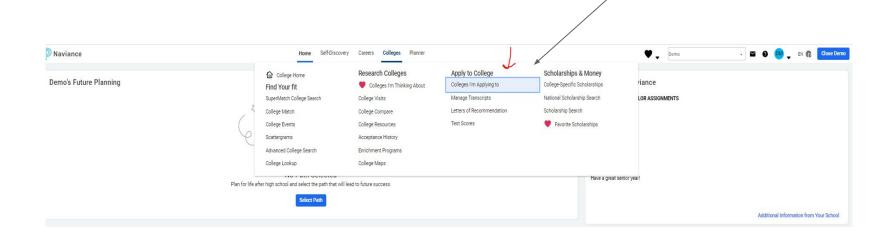
- To sign up: Click on College-Research Colleges-College Visits
  - You can also sign up for Military Visits



### Or plan to visit campus of top 2 choices

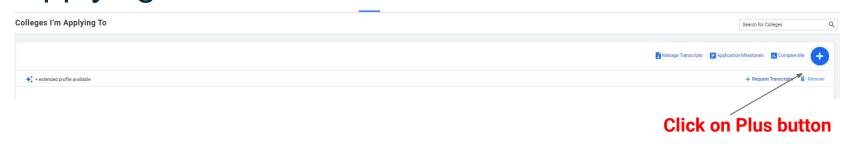
 Parent must request "College Visit Form Link" from Mrs. Frevert in counseling center before visiting so it will not count against attendance (max of 2 days) (email tfrevert@epsne.org)

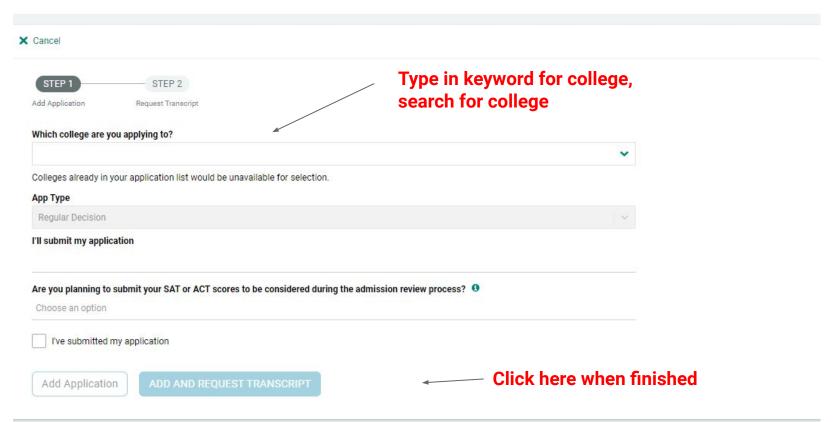
# Naviance Seniors should review, update or add to their list of colleges you are applying to.





Seniors must request transcripts to be sent to colleges through Naviance and the college must be in your "applying to" list.







What type of transcript are you requesting?  Initial	Select Initial
Mid year Final	
What additional materials, if my, do you want included?  Unofficial SAT Acores  Mofficial ACT Scores	We can't send ACT Scores. You have to request directly from ACT.
Where are you sending the transcript/s?  No Preference	
Request and Finish	Click here when finished



# **Explore Military Options**

- Click <u>Here</u> to view Military Opportunities
- ASVAB: October 11th at EHS (9 am to noon)
  - Test is free
  - Sign up in Counseling Center by October 6th
- Military will be available during Jr/Sr College Planning Night



# College Testing

# To sign up for college admissions testing or to request to have scores sent to colleges:

(December tests are usually the last used for scholarships)

Click ACT OR SAT

To Login to ACT: Recommended email—Elkhorn Student Email

Recommended password–Eps(student number)#!

### **Test Prep**

Class Link: Naviance–scroll down to bottom left–Naviance Test Prep

In person options: <u>Educationquest</u>

# **Explore Careers**

- EHS Career Website
- Explore Apprenticeships (trades): <u>Click Here</u>
- Job Shadow (outside of school day)
  - Link to form: <u>Job Shadow Form</u> (click to show form)
- Career Exploration Day (during school day)
  - All students are allotted 1 excused career exploration day per year.
  - Fill out the linked form to start the process:
  - Career Exploration Day Form (click to show form)
    - Then, see your counselor for Activity Absence/Liability Waiver/Verification Forms
    - If you don't know what you want to do, see your counselor for help
- Eat with an Expert (Once a month in library via zoom)
  - Must sign up on <u>link</u> (click to show form)
- Career Camps, Fairs, & Tours
  - Link to <u>Calendar of Events</u> (click to show calendar)

### You Have to talk about cost!

Being in debt right out of college is something you really need to consider.



Examples of Annual Cost to Attend College					
Institution Type	Cost of Tuition	Cost of Room/Board	Cost of Attendance	4 (or 2) Year Cost of Attendance	
4-Year In-State (UNL)	\$10,434	\$14,120	\$24,554	\$98,216	
Average 4-Year Out-of-State	\$28,386	\$17,322	\$45,708	\$182,832	
2-Year In-State (SCC)	\$3, 690	\$11,820	\$15,510	\$31,020	
4-Year Private (Creighton)	\$48,856	\$13,652	\$62,508	\$250,032	



# **FAFSA:** Financial Aid

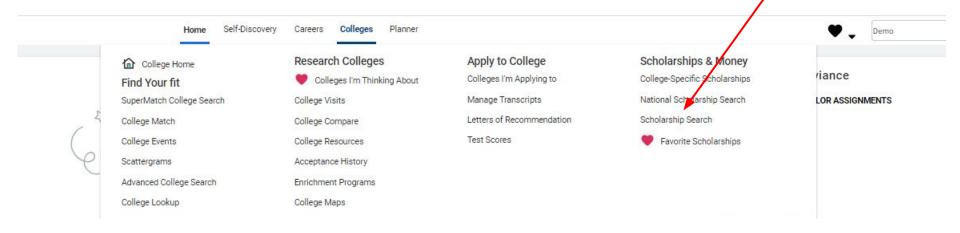


- NEW Graduation Requirement THIS YEAR:
  - All seniors MUST complete the FAFSA
  - There may be a few exceptions, see your counselor.
- 1. <u>Educationquest</u> is a free service in Omaha that will help parents fill out financial aid paperwork.
  - a. Educationquest offers online tutorial webinars
  - b. Click <u>Here</u> to see dates and to register
- 2. December 1: Fill out FAFSA
  - a. Create a <u>Federal Student Aid Account</u>
  - b. Complete the <u>FAFSA</u>



# Seniors should begin exploring scholarships Will really gear up after Thanksgiving





Elkhorn Foundation and Achieve Scholarships open on Dec. 1.

Due Feb. 1, 2025

Create a ScholarshipQuest account at <u>EducationQuest.org</u> to create a scholarship account.

# **Explore College Athletics**

- Find out all information necessary by visiting the specific site for the athletic division(s) you are interested in
  - NCAA Schools <a href="https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/">https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/</a>
     NAIA Schools <a href="https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/">www.Playnaia.Org</a>
  - Division 3 schools have their own paperwork



# AP testing

- You will register for the exam in your AP class by joining the AP Classroom
- You will need to pay \$59 by October 25th as instructed by your AP teacher
- If you dual enroll in the class and take the exam in June EHS will reimburse you the \$59



#### Items to work on in class right now

- Complete your worksheet
- Join EHS Class of 2025 Google Classroom: elq35kh
- Access This Presentation in your email to gain access to links
- Access Naviance: Classlink, Click on Naviance Icon.
- Add colleges to your "Applying to Colleges List" in Naviance
- Start online college application process
- Prepare a resume to give to teachers or counselors if your college requires
- a letter of recommendation
- Research Careers/Visit Career page on EHS website
- Explore Apprenticeship link on quick links sheet
- Search for Scholarships on Naviance/Create a scholarshipquest account
- Explore the military
- Sign up for AP Testing
- Register for additional ACT/SAT if desired
- Make sure you save your usernames/passwords this year in a special place

### Class of 2025! Have a GREAT YEAR!

- To apply to college online (Example)
  - Google the college: University of Nebraska Lincoln Application
    - You can apply free to UNL, UNO, UNK at the same time
      - UNL Code=HUSKER
  - Click on the link to get to the website
  - Click on <u>Apply</u>
  - Follow the screen instructions
  - Make sure you save your usernames/passwords this year in a special place
    - Don't use Elkhorn Student Email

### **Apply Now**

From day one, Huskers engage in experiential learning, collaborate with peers and professors and make a difference on campus and beyond. We can't wait to see how you'll create your future at Nebraska.

First-year students can apply through the Common Application of Nebraska's application.

Transfer, readmits, visiting and Intensive English Program (IEP) students should only apply through Nebraska's application.

#### **Admission Requirements**

Review the academic qualifications, core courses and transcripts needed to gain admission. You are not required to submit an ACT/SAT score to be considered for admission.

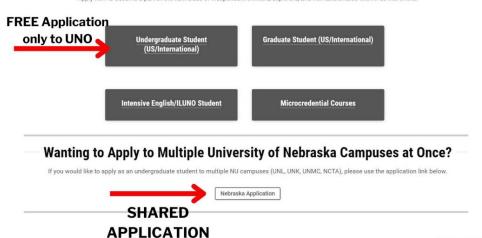
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