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October 6th, 2021 @ 7 PM

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Senior Parents:

Hello, I'm Taylor Piatak, the school counselor for grades 9-12! Senior year is an exciting and busy one for both students and their parents. This letter is an attempt to provide you with information regarding some upcoming senior guidance activities at Utica High School. Keep tabs on the North Fork Counselor Webpage as well for the most to date information and resources!

Graduation Progress Reports

Graduation Progress Reports were mailed to all 2021 seniors in June. These reports included a graduation checklist and a copy of your student's updated transcript through the 2020-2021 school year. The form gave a picture of your student's past credits and credits in academic areas needed to meet graduation requirements.

FAFSA

The FAFSA, or Free Application for Federal Student Aid, is a form that students fill out to apply for federal financial aid. In order for colleges to award eligible students with grants and federal student loans, the government assesses the information included on the FAFSA. Students can start completing the FAFSA beginning October 1, 2021.

Senior Parent College & Financial Aid Information

On <u>October 6th, 2021 at 7 P.M.</u> Utica will be holding a *Senior Parent College & Financial Aid Information Night* in the cafeteria. Nancy Shepard, financial aid advisor, from OSU-Newark/COTC will be presenting information about the FAFSA and the financial aid process.

ACT/SAT Test Prep

There are free resources available online that can help students increase their ACT/SAT scores.

Websites:

Prep Factory - https://www.prepfactory.com/

Kaplan Test Prep - https://www.kaptest.com/sat/free/events

ACT - https://www.act.org

SAT – https://www.collegeboard.com

Scholarship Information

Scholarship Information is posted on the UHS Counseling website at http://www.northfork.k12.oh.us/GuidanceOffice.aspx

College Fairs & College Rep Visits

Senior year, students are permitted two college visits. Students must pick up a form in the counseling office and have their college representative sign for the day to be excused.

Be sure to check out one of the local college fairs!

9/21-Knox County College Night (6:30-8 PM)

9/29- South-Western City School District College Fair (6 -8 PM)

9/29- Pickaway WORKS (6:00-8 PM)

10/1- Mario Area College Day (12-1:30 PM)

10/7- GLHS Learning Differences College Fair (6:30-8 PM)

10/22- Zane State College Day Fair (9-11 AM)

College Rep Visits will be happening throughout the fall & winter months here at the high school during U-Time. Seniors are encouraged to sign-up ahead of time with their counselor.

Current College Rep Visits scheduled are:

9/13- Miami University of Oxford

9/21- OSU- Main Campus

10/6- Shawnee State University

10/7- Youngstown State

10/11- Ohio Northern University

10/12- University of Mount Union

Please do not hesitate to call the Guidance Office at (740) 892-2855 ext 2011 concerning any questions regarding the above information. I look forward to working with you and your student.

-Taylor Piatak, School Counselor