

Hebron High School



Juniors: Preparing for Your Future

Presented by the Hebron High
School Counseling Department

To Do List for Juniors

- ❖ Testing: PSAT, EOC, SAT, ACT, TSI
- ❖ Senior Coursework and Registration Information
- ❖ Begin the College Search
- ❖ College Applications
- ❖ Financial Aid/Scholarships
- ❖ NCAA
- ❖ Military Academies/Military

Hebron Counselors' Website

The SAT - SAT Suite | College | x The ACT Test for Students | AC x Counseling / Counselor's Buzz x +

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OUR SCHOOL ACADEMICS ATHLETICS FINE ARTS ELECTIVES PROGRAMS & SERVICES RESOURCES

- Counselor's Buzz
- Course Selection Information
- Dual Credit Information
- Information for Current Seniors
- Information for Current Juniors
- College & Career Assistance (G Force)
- Counseling Staff
- Transcript Requests
- New Student Enrollment
- School Profile 2021-22
- Academic Information +
- Personal/Social Information +
- College & Career Information +
- Counselor Recommendation Packet
- Prevention & Wellness

Click here for the link to access the [Junior Information Session](#)

Join the HHS Counselors for our annual
Junior Information Session
Thursday, Dec. 1, 2022 @ 6PM
[Click Here for the Meeting Link](#)

Meeting number:
2023 873 2919
Password:
Hawks2022
Join by phone
+1-419-905-9023 US Toll
Access code: 2023 873 2919
Host PIN: 1831

10th Grade Families: Click here for the video recording of our [Sophomore Parent Meeting](#)

The Financial Aid Meeting on Wednesday, September 14 at 6 PM on Webex had some technical difficulties in live production. (Whoops!) We DO have the slides from the presentation! They're really informative. Click [here for the slides](#).

The Class of 2023 Senior Meeting was live-streamed on YouTube. Watch it here: <https://youtu.be/gtPT4PFO9qs>

Click [here for the notes](#).

Attached are some additional [handouts from the meeting](#)

Tweets from @HawksCounselor

Hebron HS Counselors Retweeted

College Essay G...
@Colleg... · Nov 27

First things first. Remember that you are not your college resume. You are a human being, not a human doing. If you don't have a rockstar resume, that's okay. 🙌

Now that we've got that out of the way, let's talk about how to write an amazing resume:
bit.ly/3cn5kwl

HOW TO WRITE A COLLEGE RESUME
GUIDE • TEMPLATES

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Hebron HS Counselors Retweeted

The SAT Pro...
@Officia... · Nov 15

DEADLINE 📅 The late registration deadline for the December SAT is November 22 at 11:59 pm Eastern Time.
sqr.lv/6013M0hrz

PSAT Results

- Scores – Available December 6 through students' College Board Accounts
 - Use College Board to [Understand your Scores](#)
 - View Online Score Report
 - Personalized SAT Study Practice through Khan Academy
 - See the new score structure
 - [View Sample Score Report](#)
- National Merit Scholarship
 - www.nationalmerit.org
 - Pgs. 24-2 in the Jr./Sr. Handbook

STAAR/EOC Testing

- Students must successfully pass ELA I, ELA II, Algebra I, Biology, and US History EOC exams. Some students have COVID exemptions, depending on if they were to take English 1/Algebra 1/Biology during spring of Freshman year
- Students must take all EOCs to graduate.
 - Fall US History Students will take the test in December. Spring US History Students and Dual Credit Humanities Students will test the week of May 2, 2023
 - Students will be contacted for any retake exams.
 - This is all pending and changes from TEA

Senior Schedule

- Take the most challenging courses possible but be realistic
- **TECC-E/TECC-W (Technology, Exploration and Career Centers East and West)** course offerings give students the opportunity to get experience in specific fields they may be interested in studying in college
- Dual Credit/Concurrent Enrollment through Collin College

Colleges will see the courses you chose for your senior year!

Senior Off Option

- Students that have acquired enough credits may take senior off.
- Students may elect to have either 1st or 4th period off all year or for 1 semester.
- Reliable transportation is a requirement. Students do not have the option of waiting in the Library/Cafeteria or anywhere else on campus during their off period
- A signed parent consent form is required

Early Graduation Option

- Accelerated Block allows students the opportunity to graduate at mid-year.
- Students must have at least 22 credits at the end of their junior year and be able to meet all course requirements for their graduation plan.
- Early graduates are not eligible to be valedictorian or salutatorian
- Students must check with the college they wish to attend to determine if early graduation will affect enrollment status, financial aid or scholarships.
- Be on the lookout for early grad letter— the STUDENT must request this from the Counselor
- Things to consider for Early Grad:
 - When to start university: Spring? Summer? Fall?
 - If they want to start in the fall, what do they want to do with the time “off”?
 - Totally okay to work part-time and go to school part time. Need to show the universities/next steps for them that they are pursuing their further academics.
 - Note: Gap years are not looked at too fondly in the US (more common in Europe/Australia, but not here). The minimum: Take College Writing 1 and a Creative Arts class at Collin—you will need them for each degree you want to pursue.

College Admission Tests

SAT

- The SAT tests students' knowledge of subjects that are necessary for college success: Critical Reading & Writing and Mathematics. The SAT also assesses the critical thinking skills students need for academic success in college—skills that students learned in high school.
- Each section of the SAT is scored on a scale of 200-800.
- Register at: sat.collegeboard.org/register

<https://www.collegeboard.org/>

College Board - SAT, AP, Colle x The ACT Test for Students | AC x Counseling / Counselor's Buzz x +

collegeboard.org

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CollegeBoard Sign In Search

College Starts Here

Sign in for personalized recommendations and access to your PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, and AP scores and more.

[Sign In](#)

[Create Account](#)

How to Use Your SAT Score

5 Tips for Success in AP

Win a Scholarship for Applying to Colleges

SAT >	AP >	BigFuture >	ACCUPLACER >
PSAT/NMSQT >	AP Students	College Search	CLEP >
PSAT 10 >	AP Central	BigFuture Scholarships	Higher Ed Search >
PSAT 8/9 >	Pre-AP >	Scholarship Search	CSS Profile >
Student Score Reports	SpringBoard >	Career Search	PowerFAIDS >

FREE SAT Test Prep Through the Khan Academy - Link in the CollegeBoard Website

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the following elements:

- Browser Tabs:** "The SAT - SAT Suite | College | x", "The ACT Test for Students | AC | x", "Counseling / Counselor's Buzz | x", and a "+" icon for more tabs.
- Address Bar:** "satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat".
- Page Header:** "CollegeBoard" logo on the left, "Sign In" with a user icon, and a "Search" field on the right.
- Navigation Menu:** "SAT Suite of Assessments" followed by "Home", "Digital", "SAT", "PSAT/NMSQT", "PSAT 10", "PSAT 8/9", "For K-12 Educators", and "More".
- Main Content Area:** A blue-tinted banner featuring a photograph of three students. The text reads: "Get Free SAT Prep" in large white font, followed by "Practice for 15 minutes each day to get ready for the SAT." Below this is a white button with the text "Start Practicing".
- Footer:** A "Live Chat" button is visible in the bottom right corner.

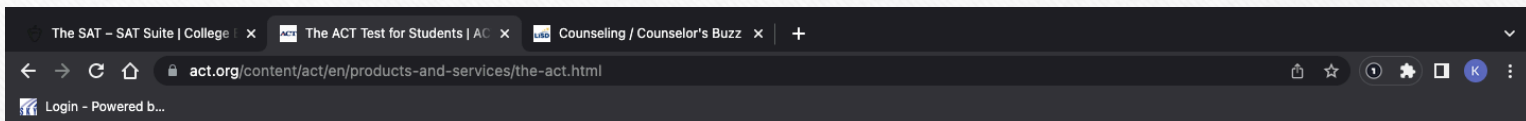
College Admission Tests

ACT

- The ACT test assesses high school students' general educational development and their ability to complete college-level work.
- The multiple-choice tests cover four skill areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science.
- The Writing Test, which is optional, measures skill in planning and writing a short essay.
- Register at: actstudent.org

***We recommend taking either the SAT or the ACT by the end of the junior year.**

https://www.actstudent.org



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MyACT Sign In

The ACT Test



US Students ▾

Registration ▾

Test Prep ▾

Test Day ▾

Scores ▾



Register for the ACT Test!

Next Test Date: February 11
Registration Deadline: January 6

✓ Register for the ACT

📅 Get a Registration Reminder

Not quite ready to register? Sign up for a reminder alert so you don't miss the deadline!

Get an email or text

How would you like your reminder to be sent?

- Email Reminder
- Text Reminder

Send Me a Reminder

ACT School Day

is coming to Hebron March 7th

Registration is

November 10th–December 2nd



- Junior and Seniors are eligible to register for this exam.
- You may be eligible to use your HB3 Waiver to pay for this exam. (Juniors this exam will be your first opportunity to use the waiver)
- If not the fee will be \$37.
- Use the link or QR Code to register and you will receive payment or waiver information before winter break.

<https://bit.ly/ACT2023HHS>

College Admissions Test Dates

SAT Test Dates: Register at sat.collegeboard.org

March 11, 2023

February 10– Registration Deadline

May 6, 2023

April 7- Registration Deadline

June 3, 2023

May 4- Registration Deadline

ACT Test Dates: Register at <http://www.actstudent.org/>

February 11, 2023

January 6– Registration Deadline

April 15, 2023

March 10 - Registration Deadline

June 10, 2023

May 5 – Registration Deadline

July 15, 2023

June 16- Registration Deadline

**Ask for results to be sent to Hebron so that counselors have your scores on file.*

Hebron High School CEEB code: 441-146

Tests for Possible College Credit

Advanced Placement Exams

- Examinations are given in May.
- Student may receive college credit or placement based on exam score.
- Each college sets its own standards for awarding credit or placement. [Check a college's AP Credit Policy](#)
- **AP Test Dates: May 1st - 12th**

Dual Credit

<https://www.collin.edu/express/enrollment.html>



- Dual Credit
 - Enrolled in High School and College
 - Earning High School and College credit at the same time for the same course
- Concurrent
 - Enrolled in High School and College
 - Earn only college credit

Start with your Counselor!

1. Admission

- Apply online
- Official Transcript
- Testing or exemptions

2. Registration

- Completed Concurrent Permission Form

FERPA- You will be a college student

FYI for Students interested in Dual Credit for the First Time, Senior Year

- Be on the lookout for the information session in January/February over webex, all about dual credit
- Apply to Collin for Fall of 2023 at [Goapplytexas.org](https://goapplytexas.org) (You will use the Dual Credit application)
- After information session, you will fill out a separate google course request form that will act as a permission form for you to do DC— both student and parent needs to sign
- Dr. Robinson and Counselors will put you in dual credit classes
- Payment will be due by end of Spring semester for tuition for Collin for everyone who is not part of the National Free/Reduced Lunch Program

TSI-Texas Success Initiative

The TSI must be taken prior to enrollment in a Texas public college, university or technical school including students wanting to take dual credit classes.

This test helps colleges determine if you need to take remedial courses prior to your regular coursework.

Exemptions:

- ACT composite of **23** with a minimum of 19 on both the English and Math tests.
- SAT combined verbal and math score of **1070** with a minimum of 500 on both the verbal and math sections.

Temporary Waivers:

- Counselors will review PSAT and STAAR scores to determine if a student is eligible for a temporary waiver for Dual Credit enrollment

Beginning the College Search

- College Access at Hebron
 - Make an appointment with our College & Career Readiness Counselor, Dr. Robinson jarobinson@collin.edu
 - Attend our Annual Spring College Fair @ Open House on Feb. 1 @ 6:30 on the upper level of the HAC
 - Check the Hebron Counselor website & talk with your Counselor
- Internet
 - www.sat.org/register
 - www.actstudent.org/start
 - Choices 360- In the L-Hub
 - Visit specific college websites
- Schedule a college visit.
- Plan on attending the NORTEX College Fair at UNT in the fall of 2023

College Visits

- Students are allowed 2 days for college visits during their junior year and 2 days their senior year. Unused days do not carry over. Notify the attendance office if you are going on a college visit.
- College visits are a great way to get a feel for the college atmosphere and colleges want you to come visit.
- Good times to go:
 - Spring Break
 - Summer Break
 - College Hosted Preview Days
- Attendance will need the following:
 - A letter from the college on their letterhead stating that your student was on campus for a visit on the date of the absence. It must be signed by a college official.

Local admissions offices

Several schools have offices or dedicated Admissions Counselors in the D/FW area

- University of Texas – 214-526-2386
- Texas A&M University – 817-375-0960
- Texas Tech University – 214-630-8324
- Oklahoma State University – 405-744-5358
- Louisiana State University – 225-578-1175
- Texas State University – 512-245-2364

College Admission Plans

- Non-Restrictive Application Plans
 - Regular Decision
 - Rolling Admission
 - Early Action
- Restrictive Application Plans
 - Early Decision
 - Restrictive Early Action
 - With a restrictive indication, you are committing to attend this school if you are accepted

No matter the plan, you must meet the deadlines!

Application Process

Apply Texas

(The Texas Common Application)

www.goapplytexas.org

This application is used to apply for admission to any Texas public college, as well as to participating community and private colleges. It also includes an application for **scholarships** from participating schools.

(You must apply even if you are in the top 10%!)

The Common Application*

www.commonapp.org

This application is accepted by over 1000 institutions in the United States: public and private, large and small, highly selective and modestly selective.

***Requires teacher and counselor recommendations**

- Applications will be available as early as July 1, 2023
- Check specific college websites for additional instructions.

Senate Bill 588 – Top 10% Rule

Students who are in the top 10% of their graduating class are eligible for automatic admission to any public university in Texas.

To be eligible, students must:

- Graduate from a public or private high school in Texas
- Graduate on the Foundations Plan with the Distinguished Level of Achievement
- Enroll in college no more than two years after graduating from high school
- Submit an application to a Texas public university for admission before the institution's application deadline

**Students are required to provide SAT or ACT scores.*

**Students must also take the TSI test unless exempt.*

Senate Bill 175

- Senate Bill 175, passed by the 81st Texas Legislature, allows The University of Texas at Austin to limit automatic admission to 75 percent of the university's enrollment capacity designated for first-time resident undergraduate students beginning with admissions for the 2011-12 academic year.
- The University has determined that they will automatically admit all eligible 2024 summer/fall freshman applicants who rank within the top 6% of their high school graduating classes, with remaining spaces to be filled through holistic review.

The Professional Application

Your application is a reflection of yourself.
It is important that you make your application look professional.

- Have someone proofread for spelling – if you're not sure, look it up!
- If you don't already have one, create an appropriate email address
- Make an appointment with your counselor if you need help

Essays

- Answer the prompt.
- Write and re-write.
- Have someone else proofread.
- Can be compared to SAT writing sample.

Your essay is a reflection of you. It is a way to “sell” yourself to the college admissions committee.

Recommendations

Recommendation Procedures

- ❖ Access the Recommendation Packet from the HHS Counseling Website, or email your Counselor for a copy
- ❖ Provide information about you that your counselor or teacher would not already know about you.
- ❖ Return the completed packet and résumé along with **all requests at least 2 school weeks** before the recommendations are due. **It is very important that you keep this in mind during the holidays.** Late submissions to the counselor may result in late submissions to the college.
- ❖ Include a stamped envelope with the address of the college and the return address listed as Hebron HS.
- ❖ Recommendations are sent directly to the college from Hebron.

Résumés

- Many colleges and scholarships will require a résumé
- Keep track of extracurricular activities, awards, clubs, organizations and community service
- Leadership positions should also be included
- Include activities from high school

Transcripts

Ordering Transcripts

- ❖ Transcripts are requested online through Scriborder. Visit the following website to learn more: <https://lewisville.tx.scriborder.com>
- ❖ Many transcripts can be submitted online, but some may require a stamped addressed envelope. Your registrar will contact you if additional materials are needed.
- ❖ Each student receives 5 free transcripts. Each additional transcript is \$5.
- ❖ Unofficial transcripts are available in Skyward under the Portfolio tab.
- ❖ Students who took Dual Credit from Collin College must request their COLLIN transcript from the COLLIN website to go to the university.
- ❖ AP Credit: students must also request College Board to send AP scores to the university, directly from the testing organization.

Counselors Do Not Handle Transcripts

Financial Aid

*****The State of Texas requires ALL senior students to address the FAFSA. It is a graduation requirement*****

- Parents may apply for financial aid beginning October 1st of the **senior** year using this year's income tax return statement. Applications are on the FAFSA website at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>
- Both the student and one parent must have an FSA ID number. Apply for the FSA ID by creating an account at: <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/sign-in/landing>
- Talk directly to the college/university financial aid office to discuss financial aid questions.
- Our College Access Counselor can also assist with this process

Scholarships

Finding the right scholarship is the responsibility of the student and parent.

Resources:

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- Hebron Counselor website
 - Scholarship List updated throughout the year
 - Choices 360 scholarship listings
 - UNT GO-Center
 - Collin Access Counselor
 - www.fastweb.com
 - Unigo.com
 - Scholarships.com
 - Financial Aid office at the specific university
 - Announcements at school
 - Lewisville Education Foundation Scholarships
 - available beginning in November of senior year

NCAA Eligibility Center

National Collegiate Athletic Association

NCAA Eligibility: The Eligibility Center processes academic qualifications for all prospective Division I and Division II athletes and determines whether they are eligible to compete.

If you plan to play sports in college you should be on track to graduate on the Foundations high school plan with an endorsement and the required amount of NCAA-approved courses(16).

Colleges prefer that you apply at the end of your sophomore year. Submit your transcript and SAT or ACT scores.

www.eligibilitycenter.org

Military Academies

Students should contact the Academy of their choice soon after January 31st of their junior year and send a written request for an application to your State Senator or Representative in April of their junior year to allow adequate time to meet all requirements.

(More detailed information is available in the Jr./Sr. Handbook (under the Academic Planning Tab, click Jr/Sr Handbook) on pgs. 33-35 and 57)

Also check out www.serviceacademyforums.com

Military Options

- Air Force
- Army
- Marines
- National Guard
- Navy

Recruiters are back to visiting campus during each lunch.
Please visit with a recruiter for more information.

Be Prepared

Final Thoughts for remainder of Junior Year, throughout Senior Year, AND preparing for College:

- 1. Keep all options open
- 2. Have a plan
- 3. Better to strike early, rather than wait until the last minute
- 4. Ask for Help

Resources

- Junior/Senior Handbook
- HHS Counselor Website
- HHS College website
- **Counselor conferences**

***This presentation will be posted on the HHS Counselor Page**

Questions

If you have questions please contact your student's counselor.

Alpha Splits by last name:

A-B- Mrs. Rayford- rayfordlm@lisd.net

C-E – Ms. Chapman – chapmanr@lisd.net

F-H- Mrs. Lovett- lovetts@lisd.net

I-Le- Mrs. Hood- hoodm@lisd.net

Li-Mi- Dr. Fields- fildsjr@lisd.net

Mo-Q – Mrs. Bradley – bradleyj@lisd.net

R-St - Mrs. Clingan- clingank@lisd.net

Su-Z- Mrs. Renee- reneej@lisd.net

Student Assistance Counselor – Mrs. Banuelos – banueloss@lisd.net

College Access Counselor – Dr. Robinson – jarobinson@collin.edu