



JOURNEY TO COLLEGE & CAREER PROGRAM

Zachary High School

Zachary, LA

INTRODUCTION

- What is the Journey to College and Career (JTCC) Program?
 - Comprehensive (Pre-K through 12th grade)
 - Involves all stakeholders
 - Curriculum-embedded
 - Ever-evolving
- Meet the ZHS Counselors and staff



OVERVIEW

- Classroom guidance lessons
- Scheduling process and course advisement
 - Donna Grice, Sophomore Counselor
- Curriculum-embedded activities
- Additional JTCC activities and events
 - Tiffany Montelepre, Freshman Counselor
 - Kelly Hinote, ZCSB Staff
- Collaborating with college and career representatives
- Scholarships, financial aid, and special opportunities
 - Bianca Brown, Senior Counselor
- College admission test information and preparation
- Publicity and information dissemination
 - Michelle Vaughn, Junior Counselor



CLASSROOM GUIDANCE LESSONS

○ Fall

- Transcript review
- Graduation requirements
- Career pathways
- JTCC vocabulary
- TOPS requirements
- College admission requirements
- College admission test types

○ Spring

- Individual Graduation Plans
- Transcript review
- Graduation requirements
- Career pathway options and course offerings
- Summer opportunities and resume building suggestions



SCHEDULING PROCESS AND COURSE ADVISEMENT

- Classroom guidance lesson with IGP
- Career Pathway Expo for incoming 9th grade parents and students
- Parent meetings by grade level
- AP parent meeting
- Meet one-on-one with each student to schedule
 - Transcript
 - Test scores
 - Teacher input
 - IGP with career pathway choice
 - Post-secondary plans
- Counselors review student schedules for appropriateness before each semester begins



CURRICULUM-EMBEDDED ACTIVITIES

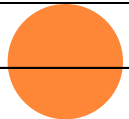
- IBCA incorporates career exploration lessons
- English I – interest inventory and related essay
- English II – utilize PLAN results to identify career of interest; research chosen career and write research paper; satisfies GLE's of research unit
- English III – research to compare and contrast several colleges/training programs; become familiar with college search process and common vocabulary; create “Can I afford college?” budget; write reflection paper
- English IV – write scholarship essay and submit for an actual scholarship
- All students begin and maintain a resume through English classes



11th Grade JTCC College Comparison Activity

1. This worksheet will help you research six colleges that you are considering. You will need to select two “fall-back” schools (schools that you will definitely get into), two “realistic” schools (schools that you will probably get into), and two “dream” schools (schools that you would like to get into). Once you have narrowed down your six college choices, fill in the names of your college choices in the top row.
2. Use the “Choosing your College Priorities” worksheet to determine which five factors are **most** important to you. Enter these five factors in the blank rows at the bottom of the chart.
3. Research each college of your choice and fill in the information for rows 1-5.
4. Based on your research of each college choice, you will rate each college for rows 6-10. Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 is excellent, rate each college by your criteria. Total each column to see which college rates the highest based upon your criteria.

	Dream 1	Dream 2	Realistic 1	Realistic 2	Fall-Back 1	Fall-Back 2
Selection Criteria						
1. GPA Requirement						
2. ACT/SAT Requirement						
3. Application Deadline						
4. Required high school courses						
5. Major/ Training Program offered						
My College Priorities						
6.						
7.						
8.						
9.						
10.						
Total Score:						



ADDITIONAL JTCC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- Mentoring – JTCC goals worksheets
- College and Career Expo every Fall semester
- University/technical college field trip for juniors



ADDITIONAL JTCC ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- Seize the Day summer workshop
 - Interest inventories, career values assessment
 - College/training admissions process
 - Scholarship/financial aid process
 - Financial literacy
 - Volunteerism
 - College life
 - Finding, applying for, and keeping a job



COLLABORATING WITH COLLEGE AND CAREER REPRESENTATIVES

- College luncheon visits
- Individual student appointments with representatives
- College showcase




SCHOLARSHIPS, FINANCIAL AID, AND SPECIAL OPPORT

- Utilizing survey results to match opportunities to students
- Scholarship database
- Scholarship workshops for parents and students
- Special program informational meetings
 - SU Talent Search, IVY league, LSU programs, ...
- Collaborating with college and career representatives

**ZACHARY HIGH'S
FIRST ANNUAL**

Date: 9/6/11
Time: 6:00 p.m.
ZHS Cafeteria

*You are certainly NOT out
of your league by pursuing
THE IVY LEAGUE as a
postsecondary educational goal.**




**Ivy League
Round-Up**

Dear Parents, Your child has been invited to attend an overview session for the most prestigious universities in the nation. These programs offer incentives such as full-tuition assistance and scholarships to improve their enrollment! Please plan to attend the overview session and gain application tips, upcoming deadlines, specifics about each program, as well as information about SAT.

For more information, contact:
bianca.brown@zacharyschools.org
(225) 658-7308


SCHOLARSHIP NIGHT

Date: 12/09/10
Time: 6 PM
Place: Cafeteria



Scholarships are for **SENIORS** only.

Zachary High is proud to announce our first annual Scholarship Night. There will be a scholarship give-away at the end of the event!



For additional information, contact Mrs. Bianca Brown
(225) 654-2776 ext. 508

Scholarship compliments of Herff Jones
Graduate Supply, Inc.
6855 Van Gogh Avenue Baton Rouge, LA 70806
(225) 927-1383

COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST INFORMATION AND PREPARATION

- PLAN – Parent/student meeting to interpret results
- ACT – Advertise upcoming test dates and deadlines
- ACT Prep
 - One-semester ACT Prep course (two levels)
 - Saturday workshops
 - www.ACTonlineprep.com accounts for all students
 - Bellringers and ACT-type questions in content areas



Journey to College and Career! **ACT** **ACT Prep Workshops**

The Zachary Community School District is pleased to announce that starting this fall ACT Prep Workshops will be offered to all students throughout the school year to prep for specific ACT tests.

The first series of workshops will take place in preparation for the October 23 test.

<u>Saturday, September 18</u>	English 8 am - 12 noon
<u>Saturday, September 25</u>	Science 8 am - 12 noon
<u>Saturday, October 2</u>	Math 8 am - 12 noon
<u>Saturday, October 9</u>	Reading 8 am - 12 noon

Courses will be held at Zachary High School to offer all ZHS students the opportunity to prepare for the ACT. Register for each class individually to secure your slot. Sign-up sheets to be located on a table in the atrium of Zachary High School.

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COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST INFORMATION AND PREPARATION

○ PSAT

- Classroom visits to sophomores and juniors with information about PSAT
- Encourage student registration

○ PSAT Prep

- Test-taking strategies
- Test prep course for identified students; taught by PSAT-trained teachers

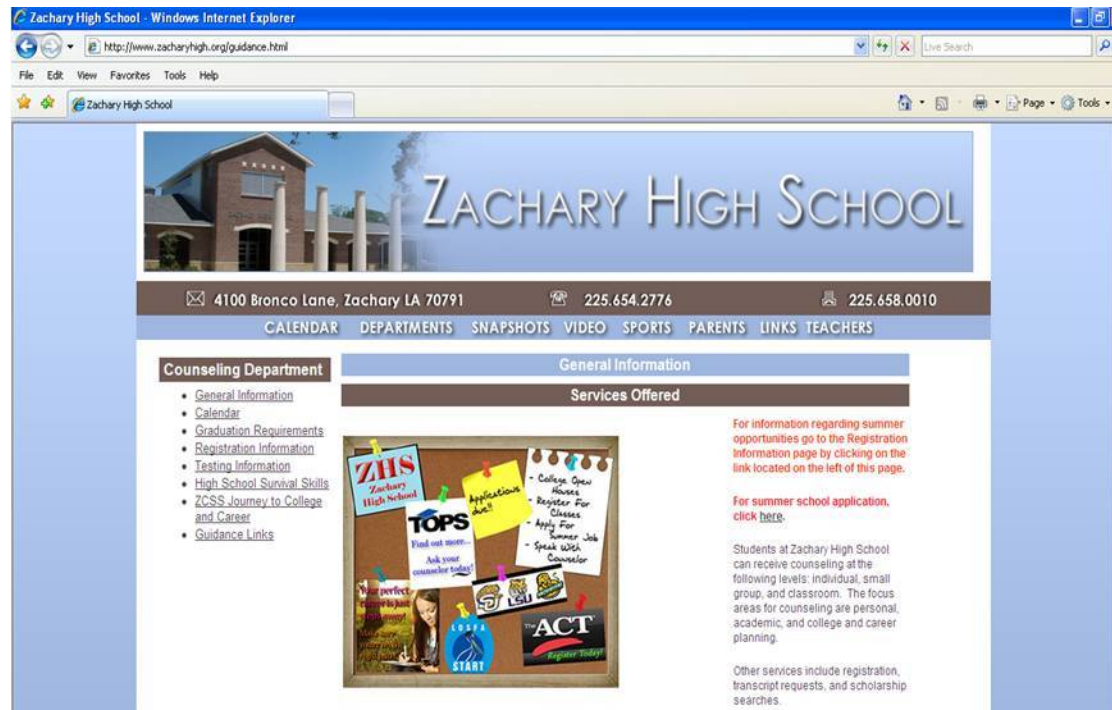
○ SAT

- SAT testing site
- Promote awareness and encourage registration



PUBLICITY AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

- Parent informational meetings
- Classroom guidance lessons
- Course Catalog and Career Pathway flowcharts
- Website – ZHS Counselor’s Corner



PUBLICITY AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

- WZHS – student-run multimedia school-wide broadcasting program
- ZHS Newsletter
- School announcements
- Postcards
- One Call system
- Local newspapers

Journey to College & Career

seize the day!


Prepare for your senior year

Workshops and presentations for incoming seniors on topics including college and career planning, scholarships, personal finances, and career success
July 13 & 14 • 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Zachary High School

Reserve your spot by Monday, June 7, 2010. Space is limited and reservations will be first come first-served. Please email jtcc@zacharyschools.org or send a note with your name, contact information and primary college or career interest to: Zachary Community School District, Attn: Tammy Wood, 4656 Main Street, Zachary, LA 70791.

We will be giving away an iPod and other great freebies!!!

11th Grade Steps on Journey to College and Career P-16

11th Grade Steps on Journey to College and Career P-16	Persons Responsible	Time Frame	Evaluation of Implementation
11. Students create a budget for their top school choice including: potential extracurricular activities, meal plan, fees, tuition, cost of living in geographic area of school and other fees specific to college of choice..	Junior Counselor English Teachers Mentors	Spring Month needs to be picked	
12. District wide ACT prep classes to be offered during school day, Saturday, afternoons, and summer utilizing an approved outline/coursework.	Counselor Administrators Office Staff Teachers	Year Round	
13. College Fair Day at ZHS Set up day for representatives from post-secondary schools to come to ZHS to talk to students.	Junior Counselor	September	
14. A short informational paragraph will be included in each school newsletter from the Counselors' Office to publicize JTCC P-16 events as well as give tips to parents on how to talk with their children about career and interests.	Junior Counselor		
15. Summer camp following Junior year: Seize the Day! For college and career planning. Will include workshops and presentations on various topics such as: essay writing, finding scholarships, financial literacy, applying for financial aid	JTCC Team	Summer	

QUESTIONS?

