

Seniors and Parents Informational Meeting:

Mrs. Poston

Welcome to your senior meeting!

Helping to guide our Falcons to leave the nest!

The purpose of this meeting is to help guide you through what can be a stressful and overwhelming year!

We will cover several topics to give you an idea of what to expect and when events and deadlines will tentatively be!

We will also share resources to help guide you through the process of life after high school!



What does my student need to Graduate?



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR FUHS:

3 STEPS TO GRADUATE

STEP 1-EARN YOUR CREDITS

4 UNITS OF ENGLISH

4 UNITS OF MATH

3 UNITS OF SOCIAL STUDIES

3 UNITS OF SCIENCE

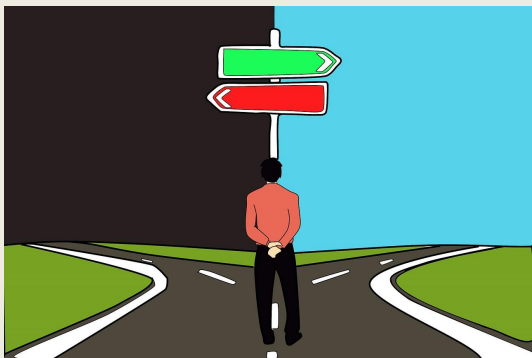
.5 UNIT OF PE

.5 UNIT OF HEALTH

8 UNITS OF ELECTIVES INCLUDING FINE ARTS

= 23 TOTAL CREDITS

Step 2: Show Competency



Earn at least a 684 on

Algebra I EOC

and

ELA 2 EOC

-OR-

Use an Alternative Pathway

Alternative Pathway

Second SHOW
Competency
✓ Demonstrate Competency



Earn a "competency" score on the Algebra I and English II end-of-course tests or college-ready score on the ACT or SAT

or



College Credit Plus

or



Career Technical

or



Military Readiness

Seals for Graduation-

Can have two
State Seals
or
One Local and
One State Seal.

State Seals:



Technology



Ohio Means Jobs



Biliteracy



Military Enlistment



Industry-Recognized Credential



Honors Diploma



Citizenship



College-Ready



Science

Local Seals:



Fine and Performing Arts



Community Service



Student Engagement

GPA and Rank

On the FUHS transcript, the top box is the unweighted GPA and Class Rank based on our 4.0 scale. AP and weighted CCP courses are included but unweighted.

The bottom box is the weighted GPA and Rank that includes AP courses and weighted CCP courses on the 5.0 scale.

On applications, I will use the weighted GPA and Rank unless it specifically asks for the 4.0 scale.

Cumulative GPA And Credits					
POINTS	GPA CRED EARNED	GPA CRED ATTEMPT	GPA	RANK	TOTL RNKD
113.000	28.500	28.500	3.96	11	142
115.000	28.500	28.500	4.03	13	142

How will I know if my I am on track?

Senior Credit Check Interviews are in the fall.

Students received their Credit Check form as 9th graders updated each year. The credit check form shared through google sheets allows the student and parent to monitor progress.

Credit Checks also include testing requirements and future plans!



**Mrs. Poston's
Google
Classroom: Use
the Classroom
tab to find an
organized list
of topics and
resources!**

All topics

Important Fairfield ...

Important Forms

Scheduling and Aca...

Senior Checklist an...

College Credit Plus (...)

CCP Transcript Req...

College Planning

College Applications

Job Openings and C...

Scholarships Search...

Community Service ...

Armed Forces Reso...

Student-Athletes

Testing

FAFSA and Financia...

College Information ...

Summer Programmi...

Important Fairfield Union Announcements

- Annual Presentation for CCP Edited Jun 8
- CCP Annual Notice for Grades 6-11 Edited Jun 8

Important Forms

- Mrs. Poston's Student Meeting and Schedul... Edited Yesterday
- Schedule Change Request Form: Must be c... Edited Dec 10, 2020
- PE Waiver form Posted Oct 29, 2020
- CCP Intent to Participate Form and Informa... Edited Mar 5
- Transcript Requests Posted Oct 19, 2020

Scheduling and Academic Resources

- Four Year Plans Edited Jun 8
- PROGRAM OF STUDIES: 2021-2022 Edited Jun 8
- Scheduling Presentation for 2021-2022 Edited Jun 8

Senior Checklist and Guides

- Senior-Year Checklist Edited Yesterday

Enroll. Enlist. Employ.



To register at a
community college,
university, or trade
school



To join one of
the six
branches of the
U.S. military



To become a
part of the
workforce.

How to find information about colleges and universities

Campus Visit: College visits are scheduled on the college's website. You and your student can register based on your availability.

College Rep Visits at FUHS during the Fall

Open Houses and Major-Specific Events: Colleges will post on their website major and/or program specific days to attend. For example: Pre-Vet, Health Sciences, or Engineering!

Use links to find net cost and other important factors about schools. The actual cost especially for a private school can be different than the sticker price!

Search Sites: College Navigator, College Board/Big Future, and Cappex

How do I
schedule
a
college
visit?



Future Students ▾

THE OHIO STATE
UNIVERSITY



First-year students

[Learn more >](#)

Campus Visits

Colleges will also
Email you special
visit dates!
OU will have a day
for Health Science!



Special Visit Programs

Special visit programs offer unique opportunities to get a sneak peek into life at OHIO. If you're a prospective first-year or transfer student or a high-achieving high school senior, you'll want to check out these options! Can't make it to campus? No problem — join us in a city near you to learn about life as a Bobcat. Check back often, because we add new options regularly!

[Special Visit Programs](#)



Daily Campus Visits

Daily campus visits offer the flexibility to explore OHIO on the date that works best for you. Personalize your visit by scheduling a time to meet with a representative from an academic college while you're on campus.

[Register for a Daily Campus Visit](#)

Campus Visits-Regional Campuses

Saturday Open House: Experience Ohio State ATI

This open house visit experience is for prospective students to get to know Ohio State ATI and all it offers. Along with other families interested in Ohio State ATI, *this is your opportunity to hear from a professor in your area of interest*, take a walking tour of campus with a current student, and learn about the admissions process, campus housing, financial aid, student services, and campus activities. Your day begins around 9:00 a.m. and wraps up by 1:30 p.m.

Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 Open House dates coming soon!

We encourage all students interested in learning more about Ohio State Newark to join us for a Buckeye Visit Day.



Buckeye Visit Days are perhaps the best way to get a comprehensive overview of Ohio State Newark. Your visit will include an admissions overview, faculty interviews and a chance to learn more about financial aid and scholarships, student clubs and organizations, learning communities, housing, study abroad, honors and much more. The event will conclude with guests taking a guided tour of campus with a student or an admissions professional, or you can tour campus on your own — it's up to you!

Friday, Oct. 20, 9 a.m.—1 p.m. >

Friday, Nov. 17, 9 a.m.—1 p.m. >

Saturday, Dec. 2, 9 a.m.—1 p.m. >



Individual Campus Visit

Learn about the application process, paying for college, academic offerings, campus life and more.

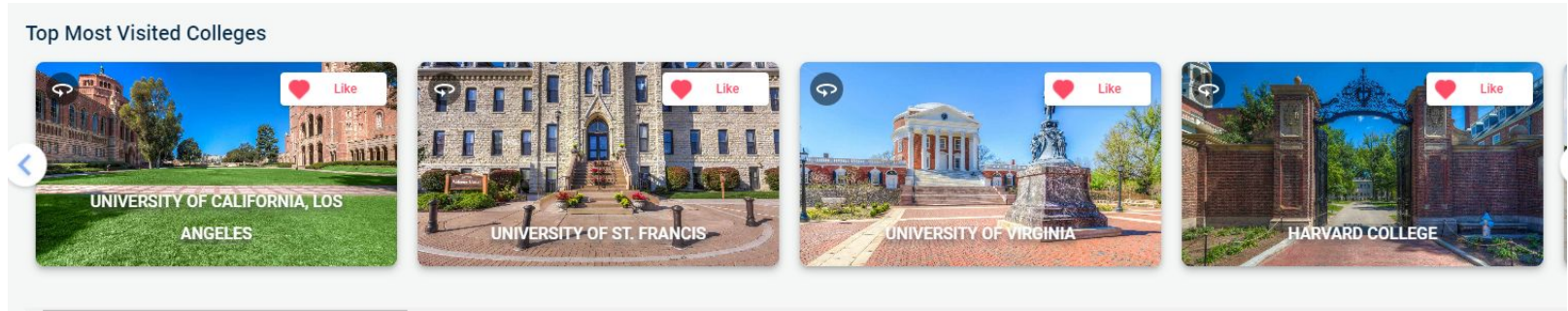


Virtual Appointment

Register for a 30-minute, one-on-one video chat with an admissions advisor.

Virtual Tours

Youvisit.com or campustours.com

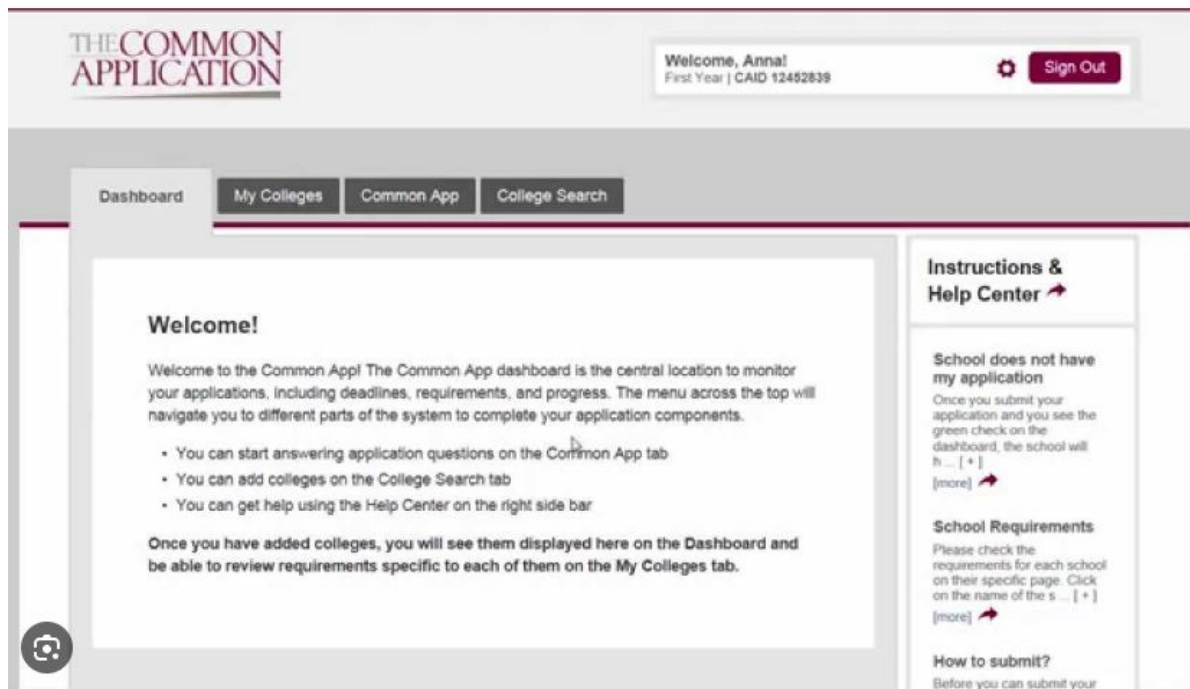


Or check a school's website!

College Application Tips

- ❑ Two Ways to Apply: Direct Application on the college's website or Common App-one applications for hundreds of colleges!
- ❑ Apply Early and organize deadlines
- ❑ Test Scores: Know if your school requires students to directly send test scores from their account or if scores are accepted on the transcript
- ❑ Professional email addresses a must: Can create an email just for college purposes in order to keep all of it together and not cluttered. Do not use school email for college communications and FAFSA!
- ❑ Keep track of College Application fees
- ❑ Request Letters of Recommendation
- ❑ Create Resume or Brag Sheet
- ❑ Compose Essays early to have time to polish-first draft is not the final draft!
- ❑ Make copies of everything you send out and dates.

The Common App



The screenshot shows the Common App dashboard for a user named Anna. At the top left is the logo "THE COMMON APPLICATION". To the right, a welcome message says "Welcome, Anna! First Year | CAID 12452839" with a "Sign Out" button. Below this is a navigation bar with tabs for "Dashboard", "My Colleges", "Common App", and "College Search". The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has a "Welcome!" section with a paragraph and a bulleted list of instructions. The right column has an "Instructions & Help Center" section with two sub-sections: "School does not have my application" and "School Requirements", each with a "more" link. A small camera icon is visible in the bottom left corner.

THE COMMON APPLICATION

Welcome, Anna!
First Year | CAID 12452839 [Sign Out](#)

Dashboard My Colleges Common App College Search

Welcome!

Welcome to the Common App! The Common App dashboard is the central location to monitor your applications, including deadlines, requirements, and progress. The menu across the top will navigate you to different parts of the system to complete your application components.

- You can start answering application questions on the Common App tab
- You can add colleges on the College Search tab
- You can get help using the Help Center on the right side bar

Once you have added colleges, you will see them displayed here on the Dashboard and be able to review requirements specific to each of them on the My Colleges tab.

Instructions & Help Center

School does not have my application

Once you submit your application and you see the green check on the dashboard, the school will h... [+]

[\[more\]](#)

School Requirements

Please check the requirements for each school on their specific page. Click on the name of the s... [+]

[\[more\]](#)

How to submit?

Before you can submit your





Letters of Recommendation

Do's and Don'ts

Who should you ask: Teachers, advisors, principals, coaches, counselors, employers, and pastors

Make sure you have the person's permission before listing them as a recommender.

Submit a brag sheet or resume: Activities, awards, leadership, community service and future plans

Request early and give plenty of time to complete

Common App letters must be uploaded by the person writing the letter

Can ask recommenders to give you a hard copy/email a copy to use for scholarships or other future applications.

DO NOT have family members, family friends write letter unless there is a professional relationship

Once in college, you should use current recommenders such as professors. HS teacher cannot always speak to your current status.





What if I have CCP credits?

Students wanting to transfer college credits, must request a transcript from directly from the college to send to the college you are attending.

Students wanting to transfer college credits, must request a transcript from directly from the college to send to the college you are attending for your Undergraduate/Associate's Degree!

There is typically a \$5-\$10 dollar charge per transcript. If you have attended multiple colleges, you must request from each college.



Building a College List



Reach Schools: GPA and ACT/SAT scores fall below the school's range for average freshmen. Reach schools are considered long shots. Typically students apply to one or two reach schools.

Match Schools: Your GPA and ACT/SAT scores fall within (or exceed) the school's range for the average freshman. The majority of your list should be match schools.

Safety Schools: Your GPA and ACT/SAT scores are above the school's range for the average freshman or the school is considered an open-enrollment school. Typically students apply to one or two safety schools.

The number of schools where you apply can vary greatly! Also, remember that you may match with many colleges, but the correct fit is key!

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?

Non-Restrictive Application Plans

Regular Decision

DEFINITION:

Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Rolling Admission

DEFINITION:

Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Early Action (EA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

Restrictive Application Plans

Early Decision (ED)

DEFINITION:

Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.

COMMITMENT:

BINDING

Restrictive Early Action (REA)

DEFINITION:

Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.

COMMITMENT:

NON-BINDING

College Application Process: Transcripts

MUST USE THE GOOGLE FORM!

You must request a transcript using the link provided on the district website and/or google classroom each time you apply or plan to submit an application for college, scholarships, military, or for employers.

Please allow three days to process your request.

Please note if this request is for the common app or send.edu or must be mailed to the school and provide an address and/or email/fax number to send.

Official Transcripts can only be sent by your counselor or the school.

You can find the link to request a transcript on our HS webpage!

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FAFSA

When: Expected to open in December!

How: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa> or you can download the FAFSA App!

What do I need?

1. FSA ID (student and parent)
2. Social Security Number
3. Driver's License (if applicable)
4. Federal Tax Information including W-2 (can use data retrieval tool but can use your records for reference. Please note your tax return information will not be visible on the FAFSA if you use the retrieval tool. It will say "transferred from the IRS.")
5. Records of untaxed income (if applicable) such as child support, interest income, and veterans' non-education benefits.
6. Records of Your Assets (Money)-This is the most common mistake on the FAFSA. You can review what is a student or a parent investment to be sure you don't over or under report.
7. List of schools attending- you can have 10 at a time. You can either remove or add (or call and have them add)

FAFSA Resources and help!

Common App has a tab for Financial Aid

A new website to help families understand the FAFSA:
[It's For You!](#)

FAFSA.gov also has resources and help! You can always contact support at FAFSA.gov for help!

Note: The FAFSA is free! If you are asked to pay to submit your FAFSA, you are on the wrong site!

Is your student interested in College Athletics?



Please note: it is the parent and student responsibility to register and request information be uploaded to the portal.

More Info can be found on the Counselor's website or my google classroom! Students must submit test scores from ACT/SAT!

After Applying

This time will vary depending on deadlines and how long it takes schools to process and send out acceptance letters and financial aid packages.

Compare packages and bottom line-revisit a college if needed! Most colleges have a May 1st deadline to accept and make deposits!

ENLISTMENT

- ❑ A guaranteed paycheck and Cash Bonuses
- ❑ Education Benefits
- ❑ Advanced and Specialty Training
- ❑ Annual paid vacation
- ❑ Travel
- ❑ Option for full-time or part time service
- ❑ Tax-free room, board and allowances
- ❑ Health and Dental Care



Enlistment

Steps to Joining the Military

1. Meet with a recruiter
2. MEPS
3. Take the ASVAB
4. Pass the physical examination
5. Determine Military career with a service enlistment counselor
6. Oath of Enlistment
7. Basic Training

Enlistment

Students will have access to recruiters. If a student wants to contact a certain branch, I have contact information in my office. Check out military.com for more information!

Practice ASVAB tests are available online: the higher your score the more variety of jobs!

We must have a transcript request to release transcripts to the military.

*Please have your student let us know about military commitments! We recognize them during graduation. Military Commitment can be a graduation pathway, a Seal, and a cord at Graduation! Submit copies of enlistment forms to Mrs. Poston!

LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL: EMPLOY



EMPLOYMENT AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

OHIO MEANS JOBS-UPLOAD RESUME AND APPLY FOR JOBS

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER: TWO CAREER FAIRS!

ONE CAREER FAIR IN THE FALL AND ONE IN THE SPRING-

IF YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO JOIN THE WORKFORCE, YOU CAN ATTEND BOTH FAIRS. SCOPE OUT THE FALL AND TAKE YOUR RESUME IN THE SPRING!



Senior Program-Workforce Development



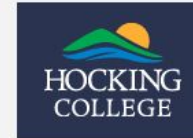
Seniors can join the Workforce Development Program!



Career Signing Day

Healthcare
Carpentry
HVAC
Electrical

Higher Education Partnerships



Water/Wastewater Management
Industrial Technology



Important People to Contact



GOT SENIORITIS?

Your Student's Teachers: Please keep tabs with Progress Book and with your student's teachers to make sure senioritis has not kicked into high gear!

Mrs. Poston: Academic, Social-Emotional, and College and Career Questions, scholarship applications

Mr. Thompson: Senior Class events and ordering

Mrs. Skinner: Transcripts and Records

Mr. McPhail: Principal to help with any senior issue

How to Stay in the Loop

District website: Class of 2024 informational page and Guidance
Office page: [Class of 2024 Link](#)

Mrs. Poston's Google Classroom

FUHS Guidance Twitter-@FUHSGuidance

Announcements

Student Emails!

SENIORS! YOU MUST CHECK YOUR STUDENT EMAILS!!!!

How to Access our Website!

Click on the Guidance Department

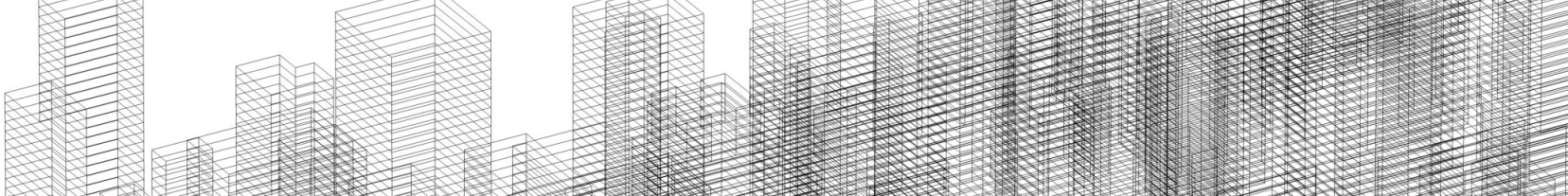


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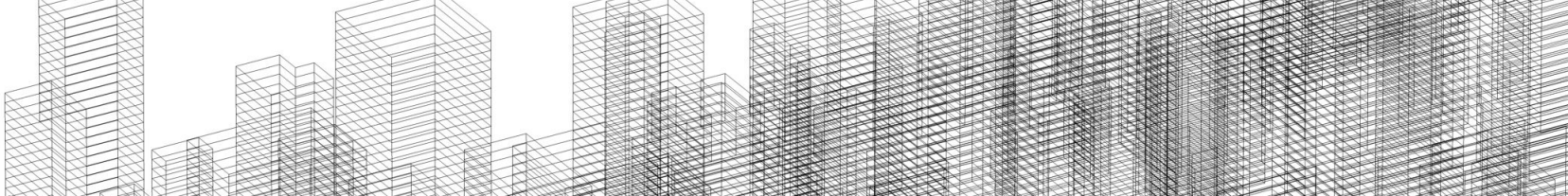


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Making an Appointment with Mrs. Poston

In Mrs. Poston's Google Classroom, there is a link to request a meeting. Students may use this form to request a meeting for any reason.



Senior Year Checklist

There is a senior checklist that maps out what seniors should be doing to have a successful transition to post-graduation.



Herff Jones

Caps and Gowns are ordered by the Senior Class Advisor-Mr. Thompson

Mr. Thompson will send out a google form to collect information for the cap and gown order!

Senior Parents: Be on the lookout for Fundraisers for your seniors!

Senior Meeting takes place end of August/early Sept. to go over all of the items that can be ordered, but nothing is required.

Families can order from Herff Jones at any time.

End-of-Year Requirements

Senior Final Plans Survey:

Google form to tell us about scholarships and where to send the student's final transcript.

Fees must be paid in order to participate in graduation and to receive your diploma.

There will be a follow-up survey after graduation sent to the student's personal email!

What do I need to know about Graduation Events?

Date: Graduation is Sunday, May 26th

Seniors have several picture opportunities including Graduation practice during the year!

Seniors must have a photo taken with Lifetouch on picture days!

Yearbook Sales begin in September-All sales are online!

Beginning of May: A brochure will be sent home with all the important dates and information!

Awards Night: In May! A great night to celebrate senior accomplishments and scholarships!

Senior Breakfast, Graduation Practice and visiting elementary school and middle school! **GRAD PRACTICE IS MANDATORY!!!!**

FAIRFIELD COUNTY COLLEGE FAIR-OCT. 4TH

80 TO 100 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WILL BE THERE!

SCHOOLS FROM OHIO

OUT-OF-STATE SCHOOLS


MILITARY ACADEMIES

TWO-YEAR COLLEGES

SPECIALIZED SCHOOLS

BRANCH CAMPUSES FROM MAJOR OHIO UNIVERSITIES

TWO FINANCIAL AID PRESENTATIONS!



OHIO UNIVERSITY
LANCASTER

WE'RE BACK!

The 26th annual College Fair returns to the Ohio University Lancaster campus. Meet with admissions representatives from 100 colleges, universities, and technical schools.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH
6-8 p.m. | Brasee Hall - gymnasium, north lobby, Wilkes art gallery and Wagner theatre.
1570 Granville Pike | Lancaster

FINANCIAL AID SESSIONS
6 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. | Wagner Theatre

— *Free Admission & Free Parking!* —

Don't miss what your high school guidance staff helped plan for you!

Important Dates

FAFSA

Opens
December

Yearbook &
Cap & Gown
orders

Fairfield
County
College Fair

*October 4th at OU-L
6pm*

Financial Aid
& FAFSA
Help

Dec. 13th at
FUHS

Parent & Teacher
Conferences

Nov. 14th & 20th
Mar. 12th & 14th

Foundation
Scholarships

Opens December 1st

OU-L Kilburger
Scholarship
opens Dec.1st

Senior Awards
by invitation
TBD

National
College
Signing Day
May 1st

33 Corridor
Signing

TBD-in May

Mandatory
Graduation
Practice

TBD in May
Will take up the day!

Graduation
May 26th

Finish Strong

Apply Early: The Trick or Treat Timeline saves stress for everyone!

Use senior year to prep for freshman year to build independence and accountability

Academic rigor increase, not decrease

Scholarships are like research, a click away

Finish Strong: Be here to be successful!