

# Postsecondary Planning Class of 2024

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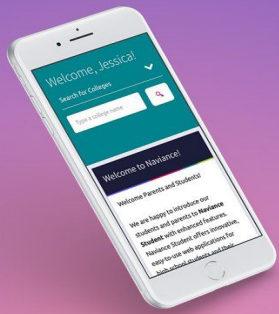


# Google Classroom ~ DHS Class of 2024

Please join the  
Google Classroom  
if you haven't done  
so already!

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# Naviance Student

THE NEW NAVIANCE EXPERIENCE.  
NOW LIVE!

- Colleges Tab: *SuperMatch*
  - Identify potential colleges & universities
  - Research admissions stats & connect with colleges
- Colleges Tab: *Colleges I'm Applying to*
  - Match Common App to Naviance account with your counselor.
- Record Activities:
  - About Me: *Resume*
  - *Create a Google Doc*
- Request letter(s) of recommendation
- Complete letter of recommendation surveys
- Match Common App and Naviance

# Counseling Postsecondary Planning Site

- [DHS Post Secondary Planning Site](#) important school-based information
- Comprehensive career-training site with links to local programs for many career paths
- Military site:
  - All branches
  - Recruiter contacts
  - ASVAB information & prep
  - Military careers
  - Gap Year supports



# Common App vs. Institutional Applications

## **Common Application** - [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)

- Accepted by over 500 colleges and universities
- One application, submit to multiple colleges

**Institutional Applications** - Application is submitted online on the college's website/college does not or may not accept Common App

- *Examples:* Endicott College, MIT, Bristol Community College

# FERPA Waiver and Release Authorization

What is FERPA and how does it relate to my applications?

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

- FERPA Waiver
  - FERPA gives you the right to review confidential letters of recommendation under certain circumstances
  - In the application you'll be asked if you want to waive this right
  - Waiving your right let's colleges know that you do not intend to read your recommendations, which helps reassure colleges that the letters are candid and truthful.
- Release Authorization
  - Allows the school to disclose personally identifiable and otherwise private information from your academic record

# Decision Deadlines

Decision Types:

- Early Action
- Early Decision
- Regular Decision
- Rolling Admission

# BCC On-site Admissions

Bristol Community College will come to Dartmouth High School in February 2024 to meet with all interested seniors to accept students On the Spot!

BCC has many majors that are articulated to transfer directly to over 111 colleges!

MassTransfer Program: A2B (Associates to Bachelor's)



# Standardized Tests 2023

- SAT
  - October 5th is registration deadline for November 4th SAT
  - November 2nd is the deadline for December 2nd SAT
- ACT
  - November 3rd is registration deadline for December 9th ACT

Send scores to colleges ***at least three weeks*** before your college deadline!

*Scores must be sent directly from your*

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) or [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) account

# Teacher Letters of Recommendation

- Invite via your [Naviance](#) account
- *Colleges Tab, Colleges I'm Applying To, Letters of Recommendation*
- *Survey located under your initials, then Surveys from your school*
- **Invite teachers, not Guidance Counselors via Naviance**
- [Outside recommenders](#) can be invited via the [Common App](#)

# School Counselor Letters of Recommendation

- Google Form shared with you by your counselor
- Will be re-shared with students who have not yet filled it out
- Depicts a comprehensive picture of you as a member of our school community:
  - School / Extracurricular involvement
  - Highlights of courses taken 9 - 12th grades
  - Future goals

# Transcript Request Forms

- Google Form
  - Will be shared by your guidance counselor
  - Please see your counselor if you require a waiver
- One form for all common app schools. Label “All Common App Schools” in school name tab.
- One form per college you are applying to outside of the common app
- Forms need to be submitted 10 school days BEFORE deadline

# Financial Aid

## **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid**

Available December 1st at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)

Required by all schools to apply for grants, loans and work study

Required by some schools for merit scholarships

File Early! The “Early Bird gets the Worm!”

# Financial Aid - Private Schools

In addition to the FAFSA....

## CSS Profile - College Scholarship Service

Available now at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

Required by [some private schools](#) for merit aid/scholarships

Most schools have deadlines in the fall for the CSS Profile

# Financial Aid Assistance

*Need help filling out your forms?*

Call the **Educational Opportunity Center** for FREE help at

**508-996-3147**

589 S. First St., New Bedford, MA 02740

# Resume

- Forum to highlight your achievements, skills, qualifications etc.
- Activities Section of Common App
- Helpful for recommenders
- Scholarships, college & job applications
- Google Resume Template
- Naviance: About Me: Resume



# Local Scholarships

In Naviance, under the “Colleges” tab

Scholarships & Money

Scholarship List

*Check once per week!*

***\*New Scholarships added throughout the school year!\****

# National & College Specific Scholarships

- [www.goingmerry.com](http://www.goingmerry.com) - Free national scholarship search
- [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov) - Official government site for financial aid and scholarships

Follow link to Grants and Scholarships, then “Finding and Applying for Scholarships”

- [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com) and [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) - National Search Engines
- [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org) - follow links to scholarships and financial aid
- Colleges’ websites for school-specific scholarships

# The Armed Services & ASVAB

- December 12th, 2023 at DHS
- Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery
- Categories: Verbal, Math, Science, Technical and Spatial
- Identifies interests & interests and helps with career planning
- 225 questions, time of exam 2.5 hours
- Option to not share your contact information with recruiters

***See Mrs. DaSilva in Guidance to sign up.***

# Vocational & Skilled Trade Programs

\*Opportunity to acquire specialized skill sets in specific areas

\*Certification/Licensure pathways

\*GNBVTHS Adult Education Programs, New England Tech, MTTI, UTI, Northeast Maritime Institute, Bristol Community College, Rob Roy Academy, Paul Mitchell

Please refer to the [DHS Post Secondary Planning Site](#) for resources and information related to career training pathways.

# Meet with your School Counselor



Questions? Need Assistance?

Schedule a meeting with your guidance counselor during

**PASE**

Or request a meeting during one of your elective classes

# Guidance Counselor & Support Team Contacts

DHS Student Support Teams Guidance/School Social Workers				
Assistant Principal Mr. Coogan ext. 7421 A – J			Assistant Principal Mr. Martin ext. 7460 K – Z	
Student Last Name	A – C	D – J	K – P	Q - Z
Social Worker	Ms. Callahan ext. 7110	Mrs. Gleicher ext. 7136	Mrs. Thomas ext. 7121	Ms. Holmes ext. 7126
Guidance	Mr. Jeghers ext. 7434	Ms. Fitzgerald ext. 7433	Ms. Heath ext. 7432	Ms. Levesque ext. 7435