# WINDSOR LOCKS HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING COMMENTARIES



Windsor Locks High School Counseling Staff Members

### IMPORTANT EVENTS AND

- \* March 2 Read Across America Spirit
- \* March 7 Students introduced to the 2022-2023 Program of Studies In their Raider Block
- \* Week of March 14th High School & Middle School Teachers make course recommendations
- \* March 18<sup>th</sup> PD Day No School for Students
- \* Week of March 21st High School Counselors go into English Classes for course selection
- \* March 23<sup>rd</sup> –Ct School Day SATs Gr. 11 Students only

### **Important Events in the School Counseling Department**

### **Course Selection and Scheduling for 2022-2023**

Starting the week of March 7th, students will be given the link to view the Program of Studies for the new school year 2022-2023 during Raider Block. Students will also be provided with a Course Selection Worksheet where they will be able to touch base with their current teachers to discuss recommendations for the next school; this form will require a parent and student signature. During the week of March 14th teachers will be loading their course recommendations for students for the new school year onto the students' Power School course selection page. During the week of March 21st, school counselors will assist students through their English classes with the course selection process. Students going into grades 9-11 must select a minimum of 7 credits for their next school year and students going into grade 12 must have a minimum of 6 credits. There will be options to choose additional electives so that in the event an elective doesn't run, the student's second choice can be factored into the schedule.

Students will choose courses from all of their core academic subjects and then from the elective areas. In many grades, the only course in these **core** areas will be that which has been recommended. If there is a question regarding the recommended course, the student should still select that course, but then contact should be made to the student's teacher of that core area.

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#### **Attention Seniors**

Just a reminder: It is important that you keep your school counselor updated on the colleges at which you have been accepted into so that we can mark it in Naviance. Also be sure to let Mrs. Zaine know so she can make an acceptance ticket for you to proudly display outside of guidance!!

If you have any questions or concerns regarding college admissions responses, please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your counselor to discuss your concerns.

# TIDBITS FROM OUR SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER AND SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF HAPPINESS 20th March 2022

Three ways you can celebrate the International Day of Happiness:

#### Happier

Do something for your own happiness - make time to do something you really enjoy, get moving outside, learn something new or write down three things you're grateful for

#### Kinder

Do something for someone else - donate to a food bank or charity, text or call someone to tell them what you appreciate about them, volunteer in your local community.

#### Together

Share the International Day Of Happiness with others and help more people get involved in the day and thinking about ways to promote happiness and mental health.

#InternationalDayOfHappiness



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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR COLLEGE BOUND SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS

The National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) is sponsoring virtual college fairs so that you are still provided with opportunities to meet with college representatives and hear about schools that you may be interested in despite the pandemic restraints of not being able to visit in person.

Students and parents can register for a number of college fairs by going to:

https://www.nacacfairs.org/attend/attend-virtual-college-fairs/

The next virtual college fair will be on April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1-6PM!

If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Ramirez in guidance.

### pathways@Windsor Locks

Make an appointment with me in School Counseling Suite and let us help you discover what's next after you graduate from Windsor Locks!

If you need community service hours so that you meet the 20-hour requirement for graduation or you want additional hours to give your resume a boost and to gain eligibility for scholarships, see your counselors in the school counseling suite.

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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

Nelson Mandela