# Marvin Ridge High School Junior Planning Night

Monday, December 4, 2017 6:30 pm Marvin Ridge High School Media Center

### **Graduation Requirements**

- English- Four Credits
- Math- Four Credits
- Science- Three Credits; (3 Lab Sciences SC)
   (Lab Sciences: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Anatomy, Marine Science, Forensics)
- Social Studies- Four Credits
- Health & PE
- Two Electives- Either CTE, Arts or World Language
- Four Electives- Strongly recommended from either CTE, Arts, or any other subject area
- A fine arts credit is <u>not</u> needed for graduation; some universities do require one fine arts credit (Clemson, USC, etc.)



# Standardized Testing

- Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)
  - SAT Subject Tests
- American College Test (ACT)
- Register for Tests Online

Collegeboard.org; ACT.org



SAT administered at MRHS on April 24, 2018\*

\*Registration not required for school administered SAT/ACT



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# SAT

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Scores Back Date	SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Scores Back Date
September 9, 2017	Aug. 4	Sept. 19*	August 26, 2017	July 28	Sept. 28*
October 28, 2017	Sept. 22	Nov. 7*	October 7, 2017	Sept. 8	Nov. 2*
December 9, 2017	Nov. 3	Dec. 19*	November 4, 2017	Oct. 5	Dec. 7*
February 10, 2018	Jan. 12	Feb. 20*	December 2, 2017	Nov. 2	Jan. 11*
April 14, 2018	Mar. 9	Apr. 24*	March 10, 2018	Feb. 9	Apr. 12*
June 9, 2018	May 4	Jun. 19*	May 5, 2018	Apr. 6	Jun. 7 *
July 14, 2018	Jun. 15	Jul. 24*	June 2, 2018	May 3	Jul. 11*

### To-Do list for Juniors



- Stay on track with your classes and your grades.
- Organize your college information and begin narrowing down your choices. Make a list of schools you would like to visit in the upcoming spring and summer months.
- Prepare and plan for the SAT and ACT. Register online.
- Research courses to register for your senior year. Make graduation requirements and recommended courses for the colleges you are interested in a priority.





- Stay involved with (and keep track of) extracurricular activities and volunteer opportunities. Begin planning for summer employment and/or internships, volunteer experiences and other enrichment opportunities.
- Visit colleges during the spring or summer. Take a tour and speak with admissions and financial aid staff. Tours can be scheduled on most schools' websites.
- Begin working on college essays. Remember to proofread.
- Begin thinking about teachers you will ask to write your recommendations.

# Colleges look for a well-rounded student

- Good grades...GPA
- Class rigor
- Solid SAT/ACT scores
- Passionate commitment to community--Get involved!
- Demonstrated Leadership
- Extracurricular Activities

# College Choices

### Target/Match School

A school that you really, really, really want to attend, and where your stats (GPA, test scores, etc.) match their admissions standards.

### Dream/Reach School

Your dream school that may be a reach to get into...but you never know!

### **Safety School**

A school where you are very confident that you are going to be accepted. Your stats <u>exceed</u> all the requirements and you would be happy attending there if need be.





# Comparing Colleges

- Consider the characteristics of each college as well as their admissions requirements.
- Visit colleges.
- Compare multiple colleges by using a checklist, making a pro's/con's list, or even by using a website such as <a href="CollegePortraits.org">CollegePortraits.org</a>

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Tuition, room & board     App. Fee			
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# College Admissions Options

### DEFINITIONS OF ADMISSION OPTIONS IN HIGHER EDUCATION



### **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

### The Common Application/Coalition



- Developed to cut down on multiple applications and essays for students.
- Required essay section.
- Students must enter their counselor's name and email address for the required counselor recommendation and transcript area.
- Do your own research about deadlines and types of applications for each college.
- Complete your applications early, especially if you need recommendations!

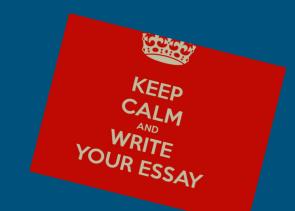




- Complete a practice college application! Simply go to the Apply tab at CFNC.org and look for "Complete a Practice Application."
  - (https://www1.cfnc.org/Apply/To\_College/\_default.aspx)
- You will be able to see what it's like to complete an online application for college.
- Note that some colleges have only three or four pages of information in their online application while others have more than 10 pages.

# Writing College Essays

- Colleges often rank essays 5th in importance when making admissions decisions.
- View the essay as an opportunity...
- Make yourself <u>real</u> to admissions officers!
- Proofread!!!!! Essays can make or break an applicant's chances!
- "Optional Essays" really aren't optional!



### Letters of Recommendation

- Many colleges require but not all!
- Letters may come from teachers, coaches, counselors or community leaders.
- How to request a Recommendation
   Letter and then say Thank You
- School Counselor Forms/Secondary Reports and Recommendations



### Student Resumes

Show off all your hard work at school and in extra-curricular activities

Gives you a leg up on college and scholarship applications

Student Resume Example

# NCAA Eligibility

- The NCAA Eligibility Center can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.
- Division I and Division II requirements, steps on monitoring your eligibility, and much more information can be found on this site.



# Community Colleges

- There are 59 Community Colleges in North Carolina.
- Community Colleges are an economical option and offer a wide variety of course selections.
- Many courses taken at Community Colleges will transfer to Universities.
- North Carolina residents pay \$72 per credit hour for community college courses.



# Career and College Promise

- Earn college credit tuition-free through SPCC (dual enrollment)
- Articulation Agreement for College Transfer
- Requirements: 3.0 gpa, "college-readiness" scores
- Talk with counselor in spring for senior year.



# Career & Technical Education - Internships

### **Qualifications**

- Senior year
- Successfully completed two CTE courses within a pathway
- Minimum of 92% attendance rate
- Reliable transportation
- Positive feedback on references

### **Scheduling**

- Community sponsor and student determine schedule based on the business' hours of operation and convenience
- Minimum of 135 hours

### Placements, Assignments, and Grades

- Placements are based on student's interest
- Most assignments are completed online and include journals, terminology, time sheets, and a capstone project
- Grades are based on required assignments, attendance at scheduled meetings, and sponsor evaluations
- Internship grades are shown on report cards and transcripts and used to calculate GPA

\*\*Go to <a href="www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/2717">www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/2717</a>
for more information on Internships!



## Military Options

- Recruiters from the different branches of the military visit MRHS periodically throughout the year.
- The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is required for enlistment into the military. Check with the guidance office for details!



# Save the Date!

Marvin Ridge High School

### Academic Booster Club



will host

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Keep checking for updates to our list of participating colleges!



### LOGGING INTO FAMILY CONNECTION







































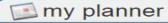




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### College Search (4,669 schools available)

a SuperMatch™ search

#### MY SEARCH OPTIONS

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My Searches

#### FIND & PIN A SCHOOL BY NAME

Enter name of school

#### FIND YOUR BEST FIT

- ▶ Location
- Maiors
- ▶ My Scores
- Tuition and Fees
- Ethnicity
- School Type
- ▶ School Size
- On Campus Housing
- Campus Setting
- Public or Private
- Gender Mix
- Historically Black
- Getting in
- **▶** Graduation Rate
- Organizations
- Special Services
- ▶ Disability Services



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#### **GET MATCHED**

Use over 20 search criteria to find the schools that are the best match for you and find out why.



#### PIN YOUR FAVORITE

Keep an eye on the schools you're interested in by pinning them to the top of your list.



#### COMPARE

See how your pinned schools stack up to each other on the factors that matter to you most with SuperMatch's Compare View.



#### SAVE

With a few simple steps, you can save your progress and come back to your search later.





### NATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS

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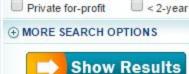






✓ 4-year

2-year



Private non-profit

✓ Public



# University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 103 South Bldg Cb 9100, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27599 General information: (919) 962-2211 Website: www.unc.edu Type: 4-year. Public

One but less than two years certificate Bachelor's degree

> Postbaccalaureate certificate Master's degree

Post-master's certificate

Doctor's degree - research/scholarship Doctor's degree - professional practice

Campus setting: City: Small
Campus housing: Yes

Student population: 29,127 (18,370 undergraduate)

Student-to-faculty ratio: 13 to 1

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

① TUITION, FEES, AND ESTIMATED STUDENT EXPENSES

A DETENTION AND CDADIJATION DATES

(+) FINANCIAL AID

Awards offered:

- NET PRICE
- ENROLLMENT
- ADMISSIONS



### Scholarship and Financial Aid Information

https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/Page/4704

#### Financial Aid Night

MRHS School Counseling hosted Financial Aid Night on **Monday, October 2nd at 6:30 p.m.** Christy Majors, Assistant Vice President of Student Financial Services at Queens University, was our guest speaker again this school year.

Her presentation is below:

Financial Aid Night Presentation 2017

#### 2017-2018 Scholarship Newsletters (uploaded bi-monthly)

- September-October Scholarship Newsletter
- November-December Scholarship Newsletter

#### Scholarship Information

#### Reporting

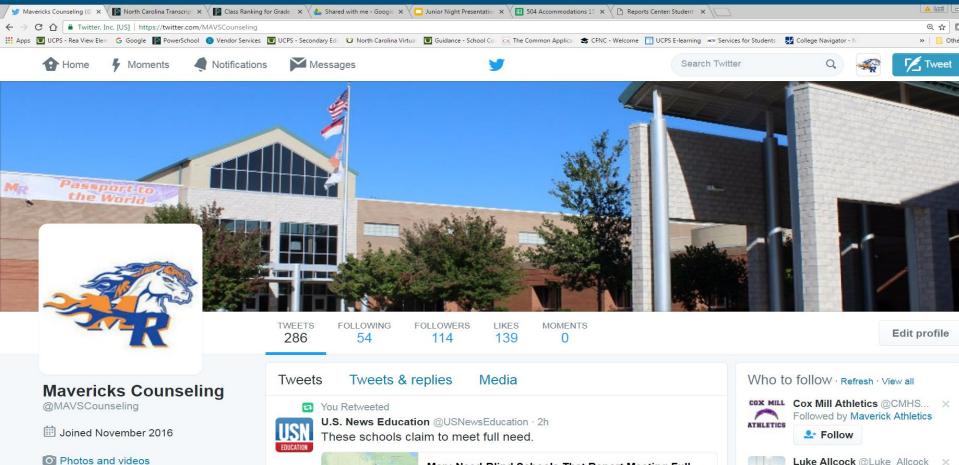
 Be sure to submit information about all scholarships you were awarded to Guidance even if you don't plan on using them! You can submit a copy of the award letters to Ms. Wetzler!

#### Nominations

For most scholarships, you will apply directly to the organization sponsoring the scholarship.
However, you must let <u>Mrs. Wetzler</u> know if you are interested in any of the scholarships
requiring you to be nominated by MRHS. She will contact you if additional information is
needed in order for your information to be presented to the scholarship nomination
committee. The deadlines to express interest are listed in the scholarship newsletters!

#### College and University Scholarships

 As you apply to colleges, please be sure to check the college/university website for a listing of scholarships and deadlines. You will also want to research deadlines for applications, FAFSA Information, and check to see if they require the CSS/Financial Aid Profile. Do not be intimated by the high costs of private colleges. They usually offer more scholarship money that helps offset the cost!







### Website Resources

- MRHS Counselor Page
- CFNC
- College Board
- Big Future by The College Board
- ACT
- Collegeportraits.org
- <u>Fastweb</u>
- College Navigator
- FAFSA



### Who do I contact?

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