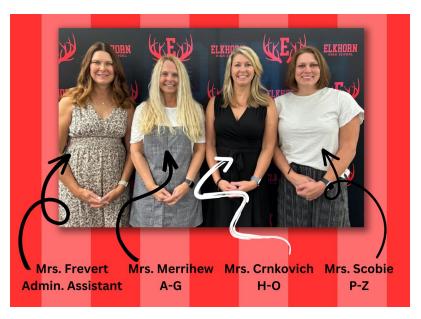
WELCOME TO SENIOR SEMINAR!

Meet the Counselors:



Desiree Merrihew A-G

Theresa Crnkovich H-O

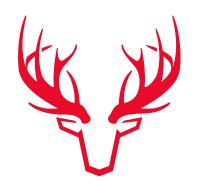
Megan Scobie
P-Z

Tracy Frevert Admin Assistant

- Need writing utensil
- Have closed Chromebook on desk for later

Senior Seminar Documents

- Senior Interview Form—Return to Counselor
- PowerPoint Slides link in your email
- Quick Links Sheet in your email



Senior Interview Documents

All seniors will meet individually with their counselor in the next few weeks

- Copy of Senior Interview/Transcript—will be mailed home after interview
- College Planning Checklist
- Educationquest College Planning Guide
- Additional Information as Needed

Your Senior Year Agenda:

- 1. Make sure you you earn the necessary credits to graduate from EHS!
- 2. Plan what you would like to do after high school:
 - a. Continue to research Career Options.
 - b. Apply to colleges/trade schools online.
 - i. UNL, UNO, UNK Free through Nov–Use the Nebraska Application
- 3. Sign up for college admissions testing if you want to increase your score.
- 4. Research Athletic requirements if you plan to play in college.
- 5. Work with parents to complete the FAFSA (Financial Aid).
- 6. Apply for scholarships (Gears up after Thanksgiving).
- 7. Sign up for AP Testing.





| | Credits Required for graduation | Credits <u>needed</u> for graduation | Credits Recommended <u>for most</u> Colleges | Credits <u>needed</u> for most colleges |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| English | 8 | | 8 | |
| Social Studies | 6 | 4 | 6 | |
| Math | 6 | | 8 | |
| Science | 6 | | 6 | |
| PE | 2 | | | |
| Financial Literacy | 1 | | | |
| Electives | 13 | 1 | | |
| Foreign Language | 0 | | 4 | |

| 4 Year College | OR Trade School | Apprenticeship | Military | Work |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|
| Top School Choice: | Top School Choice: | Trade: | Branch: | Type of Work: |
| Major: | Major: | Company Name: | | |
| Sport: | Sport: | | | |

Reminders:

- Each senior gets two college visit days that don't count against their attendance.
 - To get excused for college visit days, parents need to email trevert@epsne.org to fill out a form.
- Each student gets one free career day a year. See your counselor for more information.



Counselor will explain what the numbers mean.

NOTE: Any class beyond the requirement for graduation turns into an elective credit.

EXAMPLE: You have had 3 years of Social Studies–if you have current problems, it is considered an elective for high school graduation, but a social studies for college purposes.

 Complete plans for next year and fill in any blanks necessary.

Important Reminders

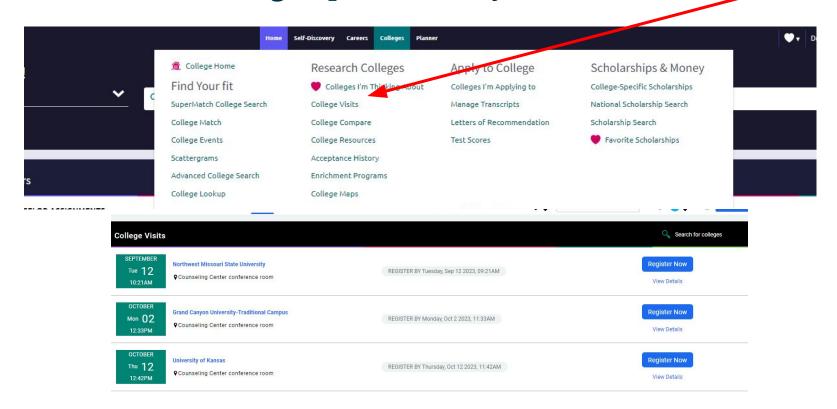
Junior/Senior College Planning night:

- Monday September 11th 6:00pm to 7:30pm
 - Several Colleges will be present
 - Several Military Branches will be present
 - Parents and students invited

Save the Date!

Meet with college reps at EHS during the school day!

- To sign up: Click on College-Research Colleges-College Visits
 - You can also sign up for Military Visits



Or plan to visit campus of top 2 choices

 Parent must request "College Visit Form Link" from Mrs. Frevert in counseling center before visiting so it will not count against attendance (max of 2 days) (email tfrevert@epsne.org)

Explore Military Options

- Click <u>Here</u> to view Military Opportunities
- Eat with an Expert
 - September 14th 1st Period: Careers in the Military (Air Force & Army)
- ASVAB: October 13th at EHS (9 am to noon)
 - Test is free
 - Sign up in Counseling Center by October 2nd
- Military will be available during Jr/Sr College Planning Night

General College Application Steps:

- Sept-Oct: Student completes online application. (Watch for deadlines.)
 A. See your counselor right away if you are using Common App.
- If a transcript is needed, follow these steps to request a transcript from EHS.On the Naviance home page, click on Colleges I am applying to, click the pink plus button and fill in accordingly.
- If requested, send ACT scores by logging into act.org.
 It was suggested that the students use their school email and Eps(student number)#!, if they can't remember their password, they will have to click on the forgot password button.
- 4. Dec 1: Fill out FAFSA
- 5. Nov-End of year: Apply for Scholarships.

How to Find Scholarships:

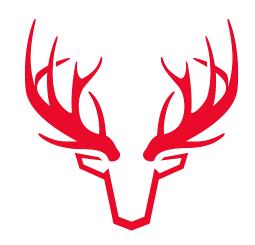
- Once you submit your college applications, colleges will look at you for their scholarships.
- Classlink—Naviance--Colleges—Scholarships & Money—Scholarship Search.
- 3. Elkhorn Foundation Scholarships & Achieve: www.elkhornfoundation.org. Opens Dec. 1.
- Set up a <u>ScholarshipQuest</u> Account: educationquest.org—Students—11th & 12th Grade students—bottom right corner—<u>ScholarshipQuest</u>. Set up account.

| Requirements: | Gold \$1350 | Gold Check List | Silver \$900 | Silver Check List | S500 | Bronze Check List |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|
| AP Classes Taken (Grade of 3 or higher) | 7 | | 5-6 | | 4 | |
| AP Exams Taken By End of Senior Year | 4 | | 3 | 10 | 2 | |
| Years In Extracurricular Activities | 4 | | 3 | | 2 | |
| Different Career Explorations | 4 | | 4 | | 4 | |
| Community Service Hours | 100+ | | 75-99 | | 50-74 | |

Example: To earn Gold you must have checked all 5 boxes on the gold level.

Note: You must Apply to earn this through the EPS foundation website. Applications open on Dec. 1st.

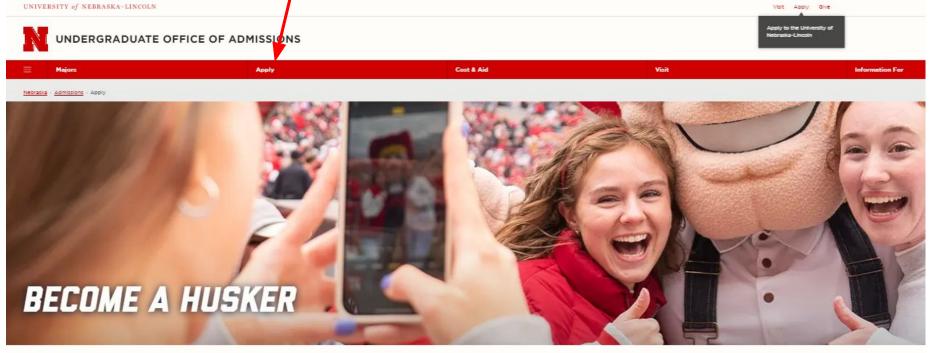




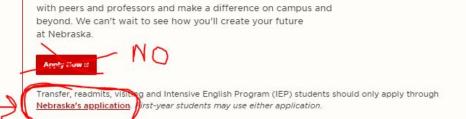
Achieve Scholarships

- Check which boxes that apply to you.
- To earn a scholarship, you **must** check all four boxes for the respective level.
- You must apply for this scholarship through the EPS Foundation—opens 12/1
- Click <u>Here</u> for Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation Scholarship Information

- To apply to college online (Example)
 - Google the college: University of Nebraska Lincoln Application
 - You can apply free to UNL, UNO, UNK at the same time for free
 - Click on the link to get to the website
 - Click on <u>Apply</u>
 - Follow the screen instructions
 - Make sure your usernames/passwords this year in a special place

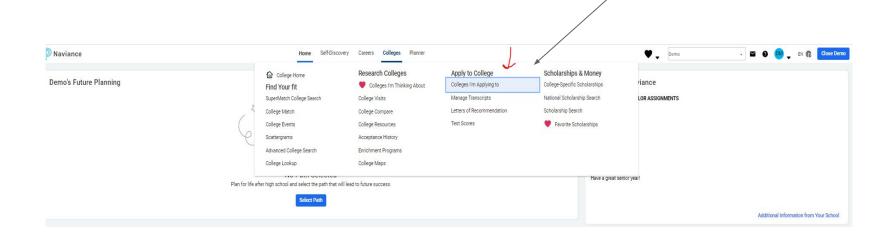


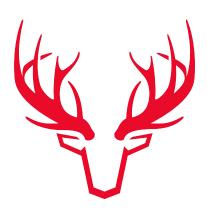
From day one, Huskers engage in experiential learning, collaborate



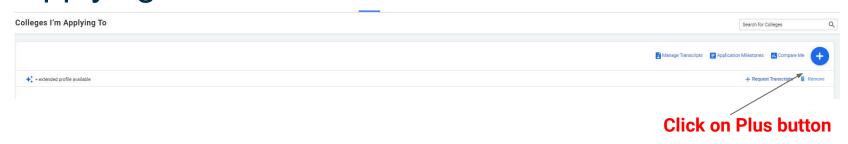


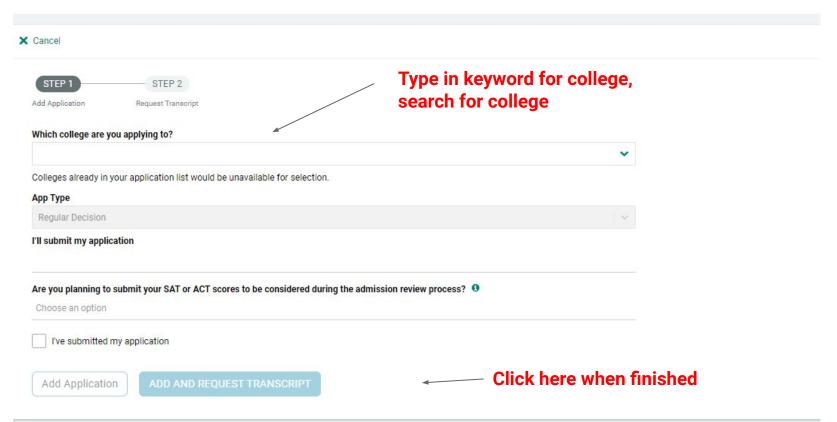
Naviance Seniors should review, update or add to their list of colleges you are applying to.





Seniors must request transcripts to be sent to colleges through Naviance and the college must be in your "applying to" list.







| What type of transcript are you requesting? Initial | Select Initial |
|--|--|
| Mid year Final | |
| What additional materials, if my, do you want included? Unofficial SAT Acores Mofficial ACT Scores | We can't send ACT Scores. You have to request directly from ACT. |
| Where are you sending the transcript/s? No Preference | |
| Request and Finish | Click here when finished |



College Testing

To sign up for college admissions testing or to request to have scores sent to colleges:

(December tests are usually the last used for scholarships)

Click ACT OR SAT

To Login to ACT: Recommended email—Elkhorn Student Email

Recommended password–Eps(student number)#!

Test Prep

Class Link: Naviance–scroll down to bottom left–Naviance Test Prep

In person options: <u>Educationquest</u>

Explore Careers

- EHS Career Website
- Explore Apprenticeships (trades): <u>Click Here</u>
- Job Shadow (outside of school day)
 - Link to form: <u>Job Shadow Form</u> (click to show form)
- Career Exploration Day (during school day)
 - All students are allotted 1 excused career exploration day per year.
 - Fill out the linked form to start the process:
 - Career Exploration Day Form (click to show form)
 - Then, see your counselor for Activity Absence/Liability Waiver/Verification Forms
 - If you don't know what you want to do, see your counselor for help
- Eat with an Expert (Once a month in lecture hall via zoom)
 - Must sign up on <u>link</u> (click to show form)
- Career Camps, Fairs, & Tours
 - Link to <u>Calendar of Events</u> (click to show calendar)



FAFSA: Financial Aid

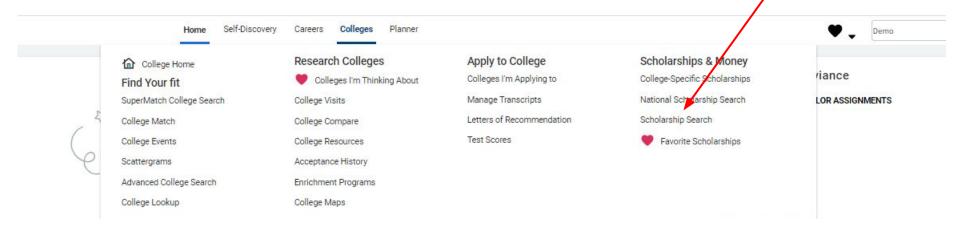


- 1. <u>Educationquest</u> is a free service in Omaha that will help parents fill out financial aid paperwork.
 - a. Educationquest offers online tutorial webinars
 - b. Click <u>Here</u> to see dates and to register
- 2. December 1 (?): Fill out FAFSA
 - a. Create a <u>Federal Student Aid Account</u>
 - b. Complete the <u>FAFSA</u>



Seniors should begin exploring scholarships Will really gear up after Thanksgiving





Elkhorn Foundation and Achieve Scholarships open on Dec. 1.

Due Feb. 1, 2024

Create a ScholarshipQuest account at <u>EducationQuest.org</u> to create a scholarship account.

Explore College Athletics

- Find out all information necessary by visiting the specific site for the athletic division(s) you are interested in
 - NCAA Schools www.Eligibilitycenter.Org
 - NAIA Schools www.Playnaia.Org
 - Division 3 schools have their own paperwork



AP testing

- You will register for the exam in your AP class by joining the AP Classroom
- You will need to pay \$58 by October 27th as instructed by your AP teacher
- If you dual enroll in the class and take the exam in June EHS will reimburse you the \$58



Items to work on in class right now

- O Join EHS Class of 2024 Google Classroom: **xt43pvj**
- O Access This Presentation in your email to gain access to links
- O Access Naviance: Classlink, Click on Naviance Icon.



- Add colleges to your "Applying to Colleges List" in Naviance
- O Start online college application process
- Prepare a resume to give to teachers or counselors if your college requires a letter of recommendation
- O Research Careers/Visit Career page on EHS website
- O Explore Apprenticeship link on quick links sheet
- Search for Scholarships on Naviance/Create a scholarshipquest account
- Explore the military
- Sign up for AP Testing
- O Register for additional ACT/SAT if desired
- Make sure you save your usernames/passwords this year in a special place

Class of 2024! Have a GREAT YEAR!