



College Selection Services Timeline 2016-17 School Year

The Washtenaw International High School counseling department is committed to providing every WIHI student and family with resources, guidance and information to make a plan for success after graduation. Below is a listing of some major services provided to help families. Keep in mind that, in addition to the major activities listed, we meet formally and informally with students and families every day, and the Counseling page on wihi.org is updated regularly with informative and inspiring items!

Freshman/Sophomore Year

- Ongoing: College Resource Center open each Wednesday from 2:35-3:30 throughout the school year
SAT prep – after-school sessions and full practice tests periodically throughout the year
- September: College Night at WIHI
- Winter: Classroom sessions to update Educational Development Plan, including college search
- April: PSAT testing for all 9th and 10th graders (provided by the Michigan Department of Ed.)
College fairs in Ann Arbor, Saline and Metro Detroit
- May: College Tuneup for Sophomores (evening program at WIHI – selection process and summer planning)

Junior Year

- Ongoing: College Resource Center open each Wednesday from 2:35-3:30 throughout the school year
SAT prep – after-school sessions and practice tests periodically throughout the year
- September: College Night at WIHI (evening program) – overview of college counseling schedule for junior year, plus Paying for College presentation and panel with admission representatives
- Sept. – Dec.: College representatives visit WIHI (see WIHI Activities Calendar for schedule)
- October: PSAT registration and testing (recommended for 11th graders)
- Nov. – Feb.: **Junior Conference Meetings** (one-on-one planning meetings; families sign up for times)
- Winter: Classroom sessions to update Educational Development Plan, including college search
- April: State testing at WIHI, including required SAT for all 11th graders
College fairs in Ann Arbor, Saline and Metro Detroit
- June: Junior class meeting to review college application process and summer work (rec. requests and essay workshops/drafts)
WIHI begins filling transcript requests on parchment.com (student must set up account)
Graduation Audit Update is mailed home with student progress through end of 11th grade
Counselors complete transcript review
- July: College Essay Workshop (four days at WIHI; registration and payment required)



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Senior Year

- Ongoing: College Resource Center open each Wednesday from 2:35-3:30 throughout the school year
- Aug. – Feb. Counselors complete recommendations and school reports for applications
Counselors send transcripts to colleges, Common App, etc. as requested by students
- September: National Merit semifinalists announced and finalist applications distributed
College Night at WIHI (evening program) – overview of college counseling schedule for junior year, plus Paying for College presentation and panel with admission representatives
- Sept. – Dec.: College representatives visit WIHI (see WIHI Activities Calendar for schedule)
- October: **FAFSA is open for completion—fafsa.gov—the sooner you complete FAFSA, the better your chances are for earning free money!**
Last-minute work sessions for students to finalize “early” applications, recommendations, school reports, essays and supplementals
CSS/Profile financial aid application is available
- January: One-on-one planning meetings for students who need to follow up on fall applications
Counselors complete transcript review, including first semester grades
- February: Counselors complete mid-year report for required applications
- March-April Financial aid award letters are mailed home (or transmitted electronically) from colleges to which seniors have been accepted, based on FAFSA and/or CSS/PROFILE data
- May: May 1 is National Reply Date when seniors are expected to tell each college where he/she has been accepted either “YES” or “NO.”
Counselors conduct senior survey
- June: Counselors send final transcripts as requested by students