



Senior Presentation
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Parent University

Frontier High School

CLASS OF 2019

Today's Topics:

- ▶ Administration Assignments
- ▶ Counseling Assignments
- ▶ Graduation Plans
- ▶ Transcripts
- ▶ Clearing Absence Fails
- ▶ ASVAB/ SAT/ ACT/TSI
- ▶ Senior Year Checklist
- ▶ How You Can Be Successful at FHS
- ▶ College Night Announcement

FHS Administration

- ▶ Ms. Hudgins - Principal
- ▶ Mr. Holder - Academic Associate Principal
- ▶ Mr. Fore – Assistant Principal, A- K
- ▶ Mr. Bethel- Assistant Principal, L- Z

FHS Counselors

▶ Mrs. Smith A- K

▶ Mrs. Buckner L- Z

Graduation Plans

- ▶ Foundations
- ▶ Foundations with Endorsement
- ▶ Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA)

Foundation Plan

- ▶ English: 4 credits
 - ▶ Math: 3 credits
 - ▶ Science: 3 credits
 - ▶ Social Studies: 3 credits (4 credits strongly recommended)
 - ▶ Foreign Language: 2 credits of the same language
 - ▶ Fine Arts: 1 credit
 - ▶ PE or Equivalent: 1 credit
 - ▶ Health: ½ credit
 - ▶ Professional Communications: ½ credit)
 - ▶ Other Electives: 8 credits
 - ▶ Total = 26 credits
- Students who graduate on the foundations plan must first attend a community college before transferring to a 4-year university.

Foundation Plan with Endorsements

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 - ▶ Math: 4 credits
 - ▶ Science: 4 credits
 - ▶ Social Studies: 3 credits (4 credits strongly recommended)
 - ▶ Foreign Language: 2 credits of the same language
 - ▶ Fine Arts: 1 credit
 - ▶ PE or Equivalent: 1 credit
 - ▶ Health: ½ credit
 - ▶ Professional Communications: ½ credit
 - ▶ Endorsement Area: 4 credits (must be same sequence in designated area of study)
 - ▶ Other Electives: 2 credits
 - ▶ Total = 26 credits
- An Endorsement is a coherent sequence of courses for 4 or more credits which includes one advanced course in a designated area of study.
 - Students who graduate on the Foundations with Endorsement Plan can choose to start at either a community college or 4 year university.

Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA)

- ▶ Complete the Foundations with Endorsement Plan
- ▶ Algebra 2 must be one of the math courses
- ▶ Students must complete the DLA plan to be eligible for the state's top 10% Automatic Admission into colleges and universities

What is a transcript?

- ▶ A transcript is a “report card” for every course you take while enrolled in high school.
- ▶ This record follows you to each school that you attend until you graduate from high school.
- ▶ You will have to submit your transcript to any college and/or university to which you are applying as part of the admission requirement.
- ▶ Transcripts are requested in the counseling office by completing the open records request form.
- ▶ You must present a valid school ID or driver’s license.
- ▶ Students receive 10 free transcripts. After the 10 free, there is a charge of \$2 per transcript.
- ▶ Transcripts are available 48 hours after the request is completed so make sure and order your them well in advance of your college application deadline.

Clearing Absence Fails

- ▶ Absence fails are cleared by making up hours outside of the regular school day.
- ▶ You must see your Assistant Principal to see how many hours you need to recover.
- ▶ Your AP will also be able to give you the dates of attendance school.
- ▶ Clear absence failures as soon as possible! Graduation could be impacted if the hours are not cleared.

ASVAB/ SAT/ ACT/ TSI

- ▶ The ASVAB will be offered to all current seniors on Wednesday, October 10th. This is the educational test, not the military recruitment test.
- ▶ SAT- www.collegeboard.org
- ▶ ACT- www.actstudent.org
- ▶ TSI- www.tccd.edu

If you qualify for free and/or reduced lunch, you can receive 2 vouchers for both the SAT and ACT. Please see your counselor for more information.

Differences Between ACT & SAT

SAT	ACT
Reasoning Test	Content-Based Test
Reading: Relevant Words in Context; Math; Grammar & Usage; Analytical Writing	Grammar & Usage; Math; Reading; Science Reasoning; Writing
No Penalty for Guessing	No Penalty for Guessing
Questions increase in difficulty as you progress through the test	Difficulty level of the questions is random
Reading; Math (no calculator); Math (with calculator); Writing & Language; Optional Essay	English; Math; Reading; Science; Optional Essay
Questions are evidence and context-based in an effort to focus on real-world situations and multi-step problem solving	Straightforward questions, which may be long but are usually less difficult to decipher.
Score Range: 400-1600	Score Range: 1-36

SAT testing dates

www.collegeboard.org

- ▶ August 25th *
- ▶ October 6th *
- ▶ November 3rd *
- ▶ December 1st *
- ▶ March 9th
- ▶ May 4th *
- ▶ June 1st *

* Indicates that Legacy is a test site.

ACT testing dates

www.actstudent.org

- ▶ September 8th
- ▶ October 27th
- ▶ December 8th
- ▶ February 9th
- ▶ April 13th
- ▶ June 8th
- ▶ July 13th

College Visits

- ▶ Juniors & seniors are eligible to take college visits. You are allowed 2 college visits per year for both your junior and senior year.
- ▶ Notify your AP via email BEFORE you go on your visit. When you return, provide your AP a letter from the college/university on letterhead verifying you were in attendance.
- ▶ This must be completed so the absence is coded as a College Visit.

Admission deadlines & College Costs

- ▶ Pay attention to your admission deadlines!!
December 1st is a deadline for some of the major schools in Texas.
- ▶ Consider the costs between community college, public universities, and private universities.
- ▶ www.collegeforalltexas.com

Admission deadlines & College Costs

TCC	Tuition & Fees	Books & Supplies	Room & Board	Other Costs	Total Cost
Resident	\$1,770	\$1,783	\$9,176	\$4,642	\$17,371
Nonresident	\$7,650	\$1,783	\$9,176	\$4,642	\$23,251

Admission deadlines & College Costs

UTA	Tuition & Fees	Books & Supplies	Room & Board	Other Costs	Total Cost
Resident	\$10,250	\$1,206	\$10,302	\$4,656	\$26,414
Nonresiden †	\$25,134	\$1,206	\$10,302	\$4,656	\$41,298

Admission deadlines & College Costs

Baylor	Tuition & Fees	Books & Supplies	Room & Board	Other Costs	Total Cost
Resident	\$45,792	\$1,230	\$11,708	\$3,786	\$62,516
Nonresident	\$45,792	\$1,230	\$11,708	\$3,786	\$62,516

Senior Meetings

- ▶ Beginning in the Fall, counselors will start senior meetings.
- ▶ At these meetings, we will discuss the following topics:
 - * Courses still needed for graduation
 - * Students who qualify for Automatic Admission
 - * Post Graduation Plans

Senior Year Checklist (Fall)

- ▶ Narrow your list of colleges to between five and ten. Meet with a counselor about your college choices and, if you've not yet done so, download college applications and financial aid forms. Plan to visit as many of these colleges as possible.
- ▶ Create a master list or calendar that includes:
 - ▶ Tests you'll take and their fees, dates, and registration deadlines
 - ▶ College application due dates
 - ▶ Required financial aid application forms and their deadlines (aid applications may be due before college applications)
 - ▶ Other materials you'll need (recommendations, transcripts, etc.)
 - ▶ Your high school's application processing deadlines

Senior Year Checklist (Fall)

- ▶ Take the ACT/SAT one more time: Many seniors retake the ACT/SAT in the fall. Additional course work since your last test could help you boost your performance. Plus, you already know what to expect on test day.
- ▶ Be sure to have your ACT/SAT scores sent to the colleges to which you are applying. Colleges and universities require you to send them directly from ACT & College Board.
- ▶ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): To apply for most financial aid, you'll need to complete the FAFSA. Oct. 1 is the first day you can file the FAFSA.
- ▶ Complete the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE®: PROFILE is an online application used by certain colleges and scholarship programs to determine eligibility for their aid dollars.
- ▶ Prepare early decision/early action or rolling admission applications as soon as possible. Nov. 1–15: Colleges may require test scores and applications between these dates for early decision admission.

Senior Year Checklist (Fall)

- ▶ Ask a counselor or teacher for recommendations if you need them. Give each teacher or counselor an outline of your academic record and your extracurricular activities. For each recommendation, provide a stamped, addressed envelope and any college forms required. Please give at least 3 weeks notice.
- ▶ Write first drafts and ask teachers and others to read them if you're submitting essays. If you're applying for early decision, finish the essays for that application now.
- ▶ Complete at least one college application by Thanksgiving.
- ▶ Request that your transcripts be sent. Pay attention to deadlines.

Senior Year Checklist (Winter)

- ▶ Keep photocopies as you finish and send your applications and essays.
- ▶ Give the correct form to your counselor if the college wants to see second-semester grades.
- ▶ Have your high school send a transcript- it is sent separately by mail to colleges if you apply online.
- ▶ You also must send a transcript from TCC if you have taken Dual Credit courses.

Senior Year Checklist (Spring)

- ▶ Keep active in school. If you are waitlisted, the college will want to know what you have accomplished between the time you applied and the time you learned of its decision.
- ▶ Visit your final college before accepting. You should receive acceptance letters and financial aid offers by mid-April. Notify your counselor of your choice. If you have questions about housing offers, talk to your college admissions counselor or call the college.
- ▶ Inform every college of your acceptance or rejection of the offer of admission and/or financial aid by May 1. Colleges cannot require your deposit or your commitment to attend before May 1. Talk to your college admissions counselor or college adviser if you have questions.
- ▶ Send your deposit to one college only.
- ▶ Take any AP® Exams. Show what you've learned in your AP classes. A successful score could even earn you credit, advanced placement, or both in college.

Senior Year Checklist (Spring)

- ▶ Waitlisted by a college? If you intend to enroll if you are accepted, tell the admission director your intent and ask how to strengthen your application. Need financial aid? Ask whether funds will be available if you're accepted
- ▶ Work with a college admissions counselor to resolve any admission or financial aid problems.
- ▶ Ask your high school to send a final transcript to your college.
- ▶ Review your financial aid awards: Not all financial aid awards are the same. It's important to choose the aid package that's best for you and your family. Be sure to note what you have to do to continue receiving financial aid from year to year, and how your aid might change in future years.

What You can do to be successful at Frontier HS

- ▶ Come to School Everyday
- ▶ Do Your Homework
- ▶ Ask for Help
- ▶ Be Organized
- ▶ Study with Friends
- ▶ Attend TUTORIALS

Your education is your RESONSIBILITY!! Make sure that you are prepared.

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