



Mapping your road ahead

Senior Year – *Class of 2025!*

Student Services is Here to Support You

- **Monitoring Academic Progress toward Graduation**
- **Supporting and Assisting with your Post-Secondary Plans**
- **Managing Stress & Well-being**
- **Just to Listen...**

How to Access Counselors:

- Send us an email by accessing Edison's Student Services Page, click [here](#).
- Stop by Student Services and sign up with Ms. Bates or ask your teacher for an E-Hallpass
- Schedule a time for a one to one meeting



How We Access You:

- Email! Always Check your school EMAIL!
- E-hall pass





Let's explore some options after high school

What is the best path for you right now?

WORK, MILITARY TRAINING or GAP

- Start making money
- Learning a skill in the military and get paid with benefits!
- Gap year gives students an opportunity to gain work experience in their field of interest

Ask Ms. Rodriguez for information about these options!

VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL TRAINING

- Most programs offered at Technical schools are completed in approximately 2 years
- These programs provide hands-on training and certifications in many different areas
- The certifications earned help a student increase their earning potential and employability
- NOVA and ACE provide certifications through various trades
 - Electricity, Plumbing, HVAC, Painting, Auto Mechanic, etc.
 - Apprenticeships can be obtained through local unions and area businesses.

2-YEAR COLLEGE

- Lower tuition while earning general education credits
- Ability to live at home
- You can earn an Associate's Degree after 2 years which can help with employability and earning potential before a bachelor's degree is received
- Guaranteed Admissions Program (offered at NOVA) or similar program in other states-check NOVA's website for each schools requirements.
- NOVA Workforce offers Certificate programs-then offers job placement help
- If you transfer to a 4-year college, your diploma will read the name of that college
- No SAT, ACT, Essay or Recommendation letters needed

4-YEAR COLLEGE

- Naviance Student is a great research tool
- Visit the schools that you are interested in –virtual visits or in-person!
 - Check out each school’s website! Explore it for hidden gems
- View and document the admission requirements and due dates for those schools (create spreadsheet)
- More intense application process

College and Career Specialist Ms. Rodriguez

**She can support you with resources for
ALL options after High School !**

Make sure to read all emails Ms. Rodriguez sends out!

- **Email Ms. Rodriguez questions:
ajrodriguez1@fcps.edu**
- **Follow the College and Career Center in
Schoology K9F9-HVFR-RT398**



Financial Aid

- The FAFSA is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid—this is the starting point for financial support for your education after high school.
- VASA is for Virginia students that are undocumented
- The CSS Profile is an additional financial aid application required by some colleges (check the college website).
- Edison has resources to help you and your family complete the FAFSA Application for College. Please message Ms. Rodriguez.

What is FAFSA® and why is it important?



4-Year College Application Tips

- Do your research! Know how to apply: Common app is the norm
- Organize yourself – make spreadsheets or checklists for deadlines and application fees
- Know your college/universities requirements–GO TO THE COLLEGE WEBSITE
- Check application types (early action, early decision, regular, rolling)
- Ask your teachers for Letters of Recommendation early
- Give your Senior Packet to your counselor

SAT or ACT

- SATs/ACTs (contact your counselor if you qualify for a fee waiver)
- Emails have been sent to you regarding the SAT at Edison the deadline was 9/4
- Let your counselor know if you want to be on the waitlist

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SENIOR PACKET

How to find the Senior Packet:

- Click [here](#) for the Senior Packet. It can be found on the Edison Web Page under Student Services.
- Schoology – Student Services Course (every student is in it)
- If you need a hard copy, stop by Student Services

When to turn in the Senior Packet:

- 15 school days before your first deadline!

Student Self-Assessment

- Helps your counselor gather information to write a holistic Letter of Recommendation for you
- Include a Resume
- Details are the best!

Parent Information Form (Optional)

- **Helps counselors gather information we may not know about students.**
- **Parents cannot write letters of recommendation; this is to help counselors.**

Teacher Feedback Form (Optional)

- Counselors don't always know how you are in class; we love teacher input!
- Use teachers with whom you've had positive experiences – perhaps in a subject area of interest to you as a potential or related college major
- **NOTE**–This effort is not your teacher's recommendation letter. This is information so your counselor can write a more thorough recommendation letter. Some teachers will only do this or the recommendation letter. Think about what you want and who is willing to give what!
- Pick up a hard copy today from us!

Transcript Request Form- Due 15 school days before your first deadline

- **MUST BE COMPLETED** for any college, scholarship, internship, or any 3rd party requiring your transcript
- Forms are online or in Student Services
- Make sure to fill out all areas!
- If all colleges don't fit on the form, submit another one. There is no limit!

Consent to Release Information Form

- **NOTHING** can be sent if this form is not submitted.
- Parent signature is needed, unless student is 18 and can sign for themselves.
- Waiving rights may be a requirement of your college. Colleges like to see a full picture from counselor and teacher.
- [Consent Form Click Here:](#)

enter the SSN on the student's behalf.

- Yes, I waive my right to review or have copies of any letters of recommendation written by FCPS employees.
- No, I do not waive my right to review or have copies of any letters of recommendation written by FCPS employees.

REMEMBER

Your Counselor and the College and Career Specialist, Ms. Rodriguez are here for you

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