WHAT IS COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE MONTH?

- Provide every graduating high school senior with the preparation, opportunity, and support needed to apply to college
- Submit college applications
- College exploration and planning process at your own pace
WHY COLLEGE?

A college degree can qualify you for a wider variety of jobs.

65% of all MN jobs will require some level of post-secondary training.

Over a lifetime, a college graduate is likely to earn approximately $1 million more than a high school graduate.

College graduates typically have better access to health care than those with a high school diploma.
TYPES OF COLLEGES

Types of Colleges
Making the best choice for your future
HOW TO MAKE YOUR COLLEGE LIST

Before you apply to college, you need to make a list of colleges that interest you and meet your needs. Here is a guide with suggestions on how to go about doing that.

General: Type of college, location, distance from home, size, etc.

Academic: Type of degree, majors, online v. in-person, etc.

Social: Housing options, student clubs, support services, student body, etc.

Financial: Cost, availability of financial aid and part-time jobs, etc.
FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ON YOUR COLLEGE LIST

- Go to each college’s website and sign up to receive e-mails and an information packet.
- Follow college accounts on social media.
- Take an in-person or virtual campus tour.
- Attend an informational session.
- Talk to students, staff, and alumni of a school.
HOW TO CHOOSE THE SCHOOL FOR YOU?
APPLYING TO A COLLEGE

- Go to the colleges website and look for the application online
- Fill out the application

Figure out what other materials are needed:

- **Transcript**- Fill out transcript request on guidance page: Go to the Tech website and click the guidance and counseling tab, On the right-hand side click “Class of 2023 Transcript Request”, Fill out google form
- ACT/SAT Scores
- Essay
- **Letter of Recommendations**- Fill out Letter of Recommendation Form on guidance page: Go to the Tech website and click the guidance and counseling tab, On the right-hand side click “Letter of Recommendation”.
FREE APPLICATIONS ALL YEAR
2-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGES

- Anoka Technical College
- Anoka-Ramsey Community College
- Central Lakes College
- Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College
- Lake Superior College
- Minnesota State Community & Technical College
- Minnesota West Community & Technical College
- Normandale Community College
- Northland Community & Technical College
- Pine Technical & Community College
- Ridgewater College
- Riverland Community College
- Rochester Community & Technical College
- Saint Paul College
- South Central College
4-YEAR PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

- Metropolitan State University
- St. Cloud State University
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4-YEAR PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

- Bemidji State University
- Minnesota State University, Mankato
- Minnesota State University Moorhead
- Southwest Minnesota State University
- University of Minnesota, Crookston
- University of Minnesota, Morris [Promo Code: Morris23]
- University of Minnesota, Rochester
- Winona State University
4-YEAR PRIVATE COLLEGE

Minneapolis College of Art and Design

[Promo Code:MCW2023]
COLLEGE FAIRS

NACAC Virtual College Fair: Sunday, October 9th: 12 pm - 5 pm

Minnesota National College Fair
- Wed October 5th: 9 am – 1 pm
- Wed October 5th: 5 pm – 8 pm
- Thurs October 6th: 9 am – 1 pm

NACAC Virtual College Fair: Sunday, November 6th: 12 pm – 6 pm

MnACC College Fair: Monday, November 7th: 9 am – 10:30 am @Tech High School!
In Xello, (which is already in your Google quick links), use the **College Planning** tool!

- Research Schools you are interested in
- build a plan, know deadlines & requirements and track your applications using the **College Applications** tracker.
- Get helpful information about the Common App, FAFSA & Financial Aid, and Scholarships
- Tools for improving scores for the ACT & SAT
REMINDERS

• No slacking on grades! Many colleges and scholarship applications look at 2nd semester grades.
• Consider applying for a summer program at a university, or an internship or job in a field you’re interested in.
• Remember that many college orientations happen during the summer so include this in your plans.
• Look for decision letters and financial aid award letters; keep track of next steps.
• Make a decision! Pay attention to acceptance deadlines and completing appropriate forms.
SENIOR SURVEY

If you have not filled out your senior survey please do so.

https://tinyurl.com/SeniorSurvey2023
NEED HELP FILLING OUT A COLLEGE APPLICATION?

- Every Friday in October, the school counselors will be at Tech Pathways: College & Career Center

- Workshops & Help on Applications and FAFSA will also be available on conference nights
  - Oct 13th & 27th
Questions?
Ask your Counselor.

THANKS!!!
HAVE A GREAT DAY!!!!