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<td>MS/HS Collaborative Experience Concert 6:30PM</td>
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What's Next

What an exciting time it is for all of you! It is only starting to get busier so here are some important reminders of what you should be working on:

- FAFSA/ WASFA Applications opened on Oct. 1st (FILL IT OUT ASAP)
- You should be working on University/College Admission Applications
- Check up on your letters of recommendation requests
- Revise personal statement if needed
- Come see me if you need help or have any questions

November University/College Admission Deadlines

Nov. 1st -
- Seattle Pacific University (Early)
- Western Washington University (Early)

Nov. 15th -
- University of Washington
- UW Bothell (Early)
- Whitworth University (Early)
- Seattle University (Early)

Scholarship Corner
Make sure you are checking the scholarship page on our Manson website to see which scholarships are open and their deadlines! QR code that will take you right to our page:

Senior Spotlights

Emely Valencia
College 1st Choice: Loyola University Chicago
Dream job: Medical Surgeon

Jamison England
College 1st Choice: BYU Idaho
Dream job: Investor
You are in!

Francisco Pacheco - Grand Canyon University
Parker Teague - Grand Canyon University
Joselin Nuñez - Washington State University & Eastern Washington University
Josephine Thompson - Corban University
Esmeralda Estrada - Portland State University

Opportunity for all MHS Students:
NCW COLLEGE AND CAREER EXPO AND VIRTUAL CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 2, 2021
10AM-2PM

LEARN LOTS AND GET ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ANSWERED! PLEASE COME SEE ME IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.
QR CODE TO INFORMATION & REGISTRATION:
Attention 9th Graders: Make High School Count

As you continue your 9th grade school year, one of the most important things to remember is that this year is the beginning of your high school career! The classes you are taking and the grades you receive in them will be printed in your high school transcripts. These transcripts, in addition to other factors, will determine where you will go to college.

College might not be for you, there are endless opportunities. With determination and hard work, we all know that everything is possible. If college is your plan, college recruiters look for: grades (all courses, but more emphasis on advanced courses), activities (paid and volunteer), and, in some cases, standardized tests (SAT, ACT scores). Also, you are competing with many other students. There are a total of 10 million college applications per year. This just reminds you how you need to get your work done and be prepared as seniors!

These are other tips that will prepare you for what’s next:

#1. **Learn How You Learn**: It is extremely important to understand how you learn best. This will help you be a more effective student and help your teachers teach you. When you do not understand something in class, ask your teachers to explain it in different ways. If you know you are a visual learner, you can tell them to write it on the board. This will help you be more successful in your classes.

#2. **Focus 100%**: When you are organized, it is easier to focus. Therefore, get a different color folder and notebook for each class; save everything for each class, including tests; get a planner (yay we all have one!) and use it; and use a highlighter to color code assignments in your planner. These will help you be more focused.

#3. **Take “Q & A” Notes**: This is a very helpful way to understand your lectures in class and not forget the questions you may have. What you do is divide your notebook paper in half vertically with a line and on the right hand you write all the notes you take during class, then on the left hand you write your questions about the notes after class. Then when you go back to class, ask your teachers those questions you may have.

#4. **Improve Your Test-Taking Technique**: These are useful tips in helping you perform better on tests: 1) Answer before seeing the answers. 2) Collect the easy points first. 3) Eliminate obviously wrong answers. 4) On essay tests: read, think, and then write.

#5. **Climb Your Way To The Top**: 1) Get involved - Start Now. 2) Stay involved - Follow Your Interests. 3) Hold a leadership position –Think Quality Not Quantity. 4) Meet your obligations –Be Committed. 5) Do great things –Better and Different.

All these things will make you a more successful high school student. Ninth grade is just as important as 10th, 11th and 12th grade. Let’s keep working hard this year and make it count!