

# LRHS

## SENIOR PARENT NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

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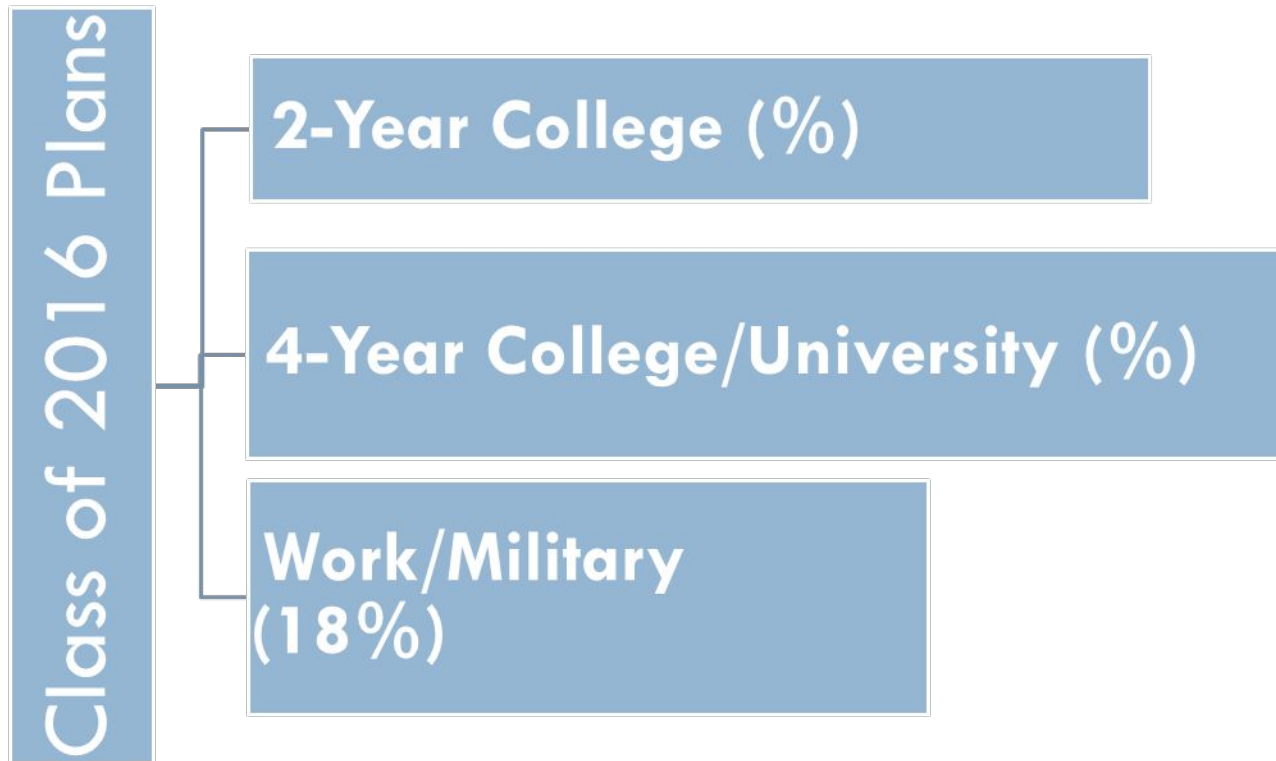
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# What's Next for our Graduates?



# Work/Military Options

- **Military Reps :**
  - Many military recruiters contact students directly
  - The Counseling Department has contact information for:
    - Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Reserves, etc.

# Work Information on Missouri Connections

- **Missouri Connections**  
[www.missouriconnections.org](http://www.missouriconnections.org)
- Provides students and parents with invaluable information on basically any career, field or occupation
- Students can save information in their portfolio, research careers and create a resume
- Information is provided including salary, training required, work requirements, if it is a growing field or not, what each career is really like, personality traits common with each career, etc. are easily accessible on Missouri Connections

# College Bound?

## Upcoming Events...

- **College Fair**

- Date: October 4, 2016
- Location: Ramada OASIS Convention Center (Springfield, MO)
- Time: 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- Colleges and Universities available to answer questions

- **Zaps Test Prep Workshop**

- Saturday, November (9am-3pm at LRHS)
- Cost: \$79.99
- Learn tips for improvement in all subtests on the ACT
- Receive a comprehensive Study Guide and 6 practice-test workouts per subtest
- Students can still register at:
  - [Register.doorwaytocollege.com](http://Register.doorwaytocollege.com) *and/or*
  - call 877-927-8378

# Communication with Students

- Seniors - Counselors provided ALL seniors with a senior information packet during Wildcat Nation time
- We encourage all parents to ask your student to see this packet as it covers a variety of information important in the senior year
- Counselors will also meet individually with ALL seniors to help them with their specific post high school plans
- We are always available to assist students who need help or have questions...
  - Open door policy...If we are busy we encourage our students to sign up so we can call them down when we are next available

# Communication

(for Students AND Parents)

- **Twitter Account:**
  - Counselors have a Twitter account to help give students and parents information, updates, reminders, helpful tips, etc.
    - Follow us: @LRCollege&Career
- **Counselors' Website:**
  - [www.logrog.net](http://www.logrog.net)
  - *then click on - Buildings - High School - Counselor*
  - Direct Link:  
[www.logrog.net/HS/counselor/hscounselor.html](http://www.logrog.net/HS/counselor/hscounselor.html)
- **Ideas to increase communication?**
  - We use handouts to students, parent meetings, twitter, counselors' website, announcements (which are posted online), etc.
  - If you have suggestions on how to improve communication- please let us know!

# College Visits

- Students get 6 college visit days:
  - College Visit forms are available in the counselors' office
  - Top portion of form must be turned in to attendance secretary 2 days before visit (with parent signature)
  - Bottom portion must be signed at college visit and returned to attendance secretary
  - If all done correctly, the day will not count as an absence.
- We encourage ALL students to visit the college or universities they are considering attending!



# College Applications

- We recommend as a general guideline for students to have college/university applications submitted by November
- Students typically apply to more than one college/university (average 2-4 applications)
- Being accepted to a college/university does not mean they have to attend that school...it just gives them an options...
- Many freshmen academic scholarships have December 1<sup>st</sup> deadlines...***applying early is important!***
- Most housing options are based on application dates ... ***applying early is important!***
- MSU Dual Credit Students – Students DO still need to apply to MSU if they plan to go there.

# Using A+?

- Students using A+ funds need to apply to the community college of their choice.
- Tuition is currently paid, books & some fees will be the student's responsibility. Encourage students to check with A+ Coordinator who is kept updated about potential A+ changes.
- Students do NOT need to apply to the 4 year college until their sophomore year.
- Fairly easy transition, however applications, orientations, test scores, & campus visits are still needed.

# College/University Acceptance Letters

- Depending on how many college/universities a student applies to - some students may have one acceptance letter ... some may have four!
- We encourage our Seniors to bring ALL acceptance letters to our office, so we can recognize their accomplishments on our bulletin board in the hallway!
- Again, being accepted, does NOT mean they will attend, but gives them ***time to make the best decision on what college/university they will attend.***

# Scholarships

## National

(Websites available)

## Regional

(Updated regularly, applications in counselors' office or links for online applications on website)

4 Types

## Local

(Over 20+ local scholarships offered – available only to LR students. Applications are available and due in March)

## Colleges

(RENEWABLE scholarships! Deadlines to apply are important. Some are automatic, others may require additional applications.)

# Financial Aid

- Parents/Students need to complete the FAFSA to apply for:
  - Grants/Loans/Work Study or to prove “financial need”
- FAFSA stands for **Free Application for Federal Student Aid**
- FAFSA deadlines vary from school to school, many are either
- A+ students are **REQUIRED** to submit a FAFSA by February 1<sup>st</sup>
- FAFSA Frenzy @ Ozark Technical College on November 13, 2016 (Sunday) offers assistance in completing the FAFSA

# Financial Aid (continued)

- FAFSA requires parent income information. It's helpful if taxes are filed, so plan to file taxes early if possible. If not, you can estimate based on last year's tax return, and go back in later to update the FAFSA.
- To file, go to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) website (remember, it's FREE)
- FAFSA help:
  - The college Financial Aid Office where your student has applied
  - FAFSA helpline: 1-800-433-3243

# Websites to Remember

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**Questions/Feedback?**