



**Fostering a** 

**Sustained Passion** 

for Lifelong

Learning

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### SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

### Get College Ready: Your Roadmap to Success - Agenda

- → NHS College Readiness
- ☐ Financial Aid Ins and Outs
- College Roadmap & Checklist with CGN
- College Panel Discussion ask your questions we have answers QR Code to send in questions.





### College and Career Center

### Paths after High School

At NHS, we recognize that graduates pursue diverse postsecondary plans. Whether taking a gap year, a PG year at a private school, gaining work experience, starting an apprenticeship, or joining the military, exciting opportunities abound for those not immediately heading to college. We encourage students to follow their aspirations and remain open to all possibilities, as postgrad planning is never one-size-fits-all.

### College and Career Center

Never to early to start thinking about college and or careers: Part of our MyCAP and Portrait of a Graduate is to prepare students for life after graduation with a flexible post-secondary plan. Our 6th, 7th, and 8th grades all visit college campus and participated in a Career Speaker Series.

6th - Endicott College

7th - Merrimack College

8th - Suffolk University

8th - Career Speaker Series

### College & Career Curriculum - Advisory

Each grade 9th - 12th participates in different Advisory activities that strives to provide all student with supportive information for their flexible post-secondary plans.

#### Activities include but are not limited to:

- 9th Grade Peer Mentors Ignite Program
- SchooLinks Onboarding and review
- College Guidance Network Roadmap
- Career Interest and Skills Assessments
- Career Speakers
- Get Smart About Credit & Financial Literacy
- Creating a Resume and LinkedIn account
- College & Career Planning Info for Juniors
- Scholarship Information sessions

- College Visits
- Job Shadows
- SMART Goals Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely
- Financial Literacy
- Career Planning
- Trade Program Overview
- PSAT Exams and Review
- College Application and Essay Support

### College and Career Center Program Examples

College & Career Fair

**College Visits** 

**Career Speakers** 

USA Gap Year Fair

Junior Planning Timeline

College Planning Night

**Future Pathways** 

**College Campus Tours** 

Scholarship Information Session

Financial Aid Workshops

**NHS Internship Program** 

**Innovation Career Pathways** 

Trade Programs with The Peterson School

**ASVAB Career Assessment** 

SchooLinks and CGN Training and Assessments

College Application Support

College Essay Writing Workshops

Community Partnerships

CCC website, Social Media, and Google Classroom

### Resources Available

SchooLinks: This is our current College and Career Readiness platform for all students 6th-12th.

<u>College Guidance Network</u>: The CGN platform has the My College Roadmap and Checklist allowing you to hear from experts in the field or area of study you are interested in. There are webinars you can attend, watch after, or just see short clips about information pertaining to your specific interest and goals.

<u>College Affordable</u>: We are lucky to be partnering with CA and have their network to support students and families through the Financial Aid process from beginning to end. They are the human touch we have been waiting for and we are so thrilled and lucky to have them supporting our community.

<u>College Aid Pro</u>: The CAP platform is an online tool to help students and families save money, time, and stress on the overwhelming college funding process.

<u>The College Tour</u>: If you have not yet seen an episode of TCT I highly recommend it. The video production is top notch and it gives an amazing view into each college or university they visit. There is no better virtual tour than what TCT does. Not to mention their website has so much else to offer with content for students to learn about colleges and universities, as well as what they might be looking for when researching college campuses.

MEFA and MEFA Pathway: A free online resource and tool that anyone can use for college and career related webinars, info and research.

<u>Revolution Prep</u>: We have partnered with Rev Prep for many of their free PSAT, SAT, and ACT practice exam sessions. They have been very generous in supporting our students and now are also offering an SAT prep course students can take virtually.

### Resources Available

<u>Dual Enrollment</u>: NHS has partnerships with Endicott College, Northern Essex Community College, Southern New Hampshire University, and Salem State University. The classes offered through the DE programs count for high school and college credit.

<u>Internships</u>: The NHS Internship Program offers site placements with over 100 local area community partners. Students can start Internships as early as sophomore year but typically they start in the junior or senior year. You can earn 2.5 credits for each 75 hours you earn.

<u>Scholarships</u>: There are many different scholarships and options available. Check them out to see what you might be eligible for and apply!

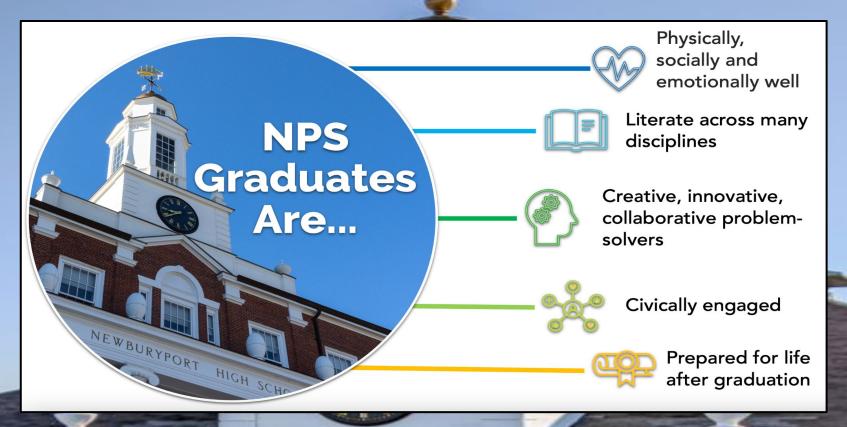
<u>Gap Year Programs</u>: You don't need to attend college right after high school, take a year off, travel, work, work and travel, do community service projects but don't just play video games in your parents basement. Check out your options. We now host the USA Gap Year Fair each January.

NCAA Athletic Resources: If you're planning to play college sports here is the info you need to know and understand about the process. Make sure to work with your coaches for advice and Good luck!

College & Career Center website, Instagram and Google Classroom (code 5xxzdfs) - Great ways to stay connected!

- Follow Newburyport Guidance on Instagram **@newburyportguidance** as well as the monthly newsletter <u>College Board</u>: PSAT, SAT, and AP exams <u>BigFuture</u>: College Boards free college and career readiness tool

# School Counseling Department Goal: To continuously support our District's Vision of the Portrait of a Graduate



### New Opportunities for Students in the 2024-2025 School Year

Seacoast Promise Scholarship with Northern Essex Community College

Innovation Career Pathways Application in Environmental Science and more to come!

**New Class Electives** 

The Peterson School - Trades Pathway and more to come!

Woodworking Class in collaboration with the Nock Middle School

Spring College & Career Fair

**Spring Future Pathways event** 

**Building the Arts Program with NEF** 



A nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization built to help families reduce the cost of college, minimize debt and increase higher education choices.

## What words come to your mind?



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#### **WE NOW HAVE OVER 30 PROGRAMS ACROSS MASSACHUSETTS**



Arlington Catholic High School



Brookline High School



Cathedral High School



Chelmsford High School



Fontbonne Academy



Jeff's Place



St. Bernard's High School



Leominster High School



Malden Catholic High School



Newburyport High School



Notre Dame Academy



Triton Regional High School

#### **MEET THE STAFF**

**Gregg Cohen** 



**Pamela Martinetti** 



**Lynette O'Leary** 



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**Brian Gardiner** 



**Michelle DeRose** 



#### Affordability Crisis: Why are students overpaying?

Inaccurate
Upfront Family
Budgeting

Confusing Financial Aid Forms Misleading
Award Letters
and Failure to
Appeal

Missed
Opportunities
for Merit Aid

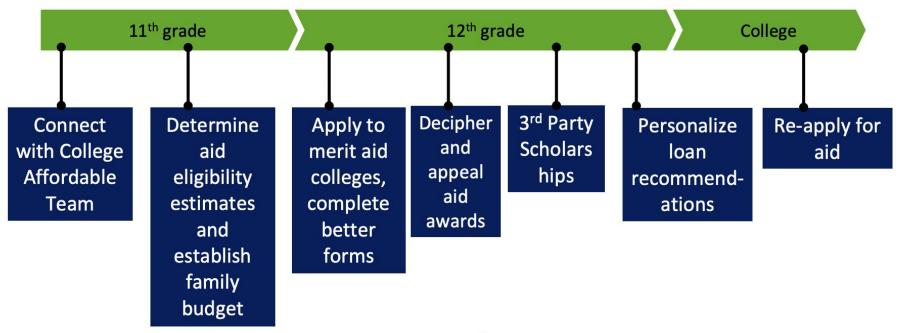
Predatory Lenders in Student Loan Market





#### **How College Affordable Helps**

Example student's journey with key College Affordable specific support:



#### **Building cost into your college search:**

- Register with College Affordable Attend webinar February 13th at 6:30, Grants, Scholarships, Loans, Workstudy...What Does it all Mean? Utilize the SAI Calculator on landing page Complete a Budget Assessment on landing page Complete a Financial Aid Assessment on landing page Attend webinar March 13th at 6:30 Creating your College Financial Game Plan Webinar Search for schools that are financial targets and financial safeties
- Research, build and edit the college list.

Email college affordable any questions that come up





financialaid@collegeaffordable.org

CALL or TEXT: 781-343-1941













### CGN's

### **Experts**

#### **Family Dynamics**



**Affordability** 

Ron Lieber NY Times Columnist; Author of The Price You Pay for College



**Angela Duckworth** Author of Grit



Lisa Damour Author of Untangled



Career

**Jamie Siminoff** Founder of Ring



Jason Hyon Chief Technologist NASA



Sal Khan CFO & Founder Khan Academy



Malcolm Gladwell Best-selling author and host of Revisionist History podcast



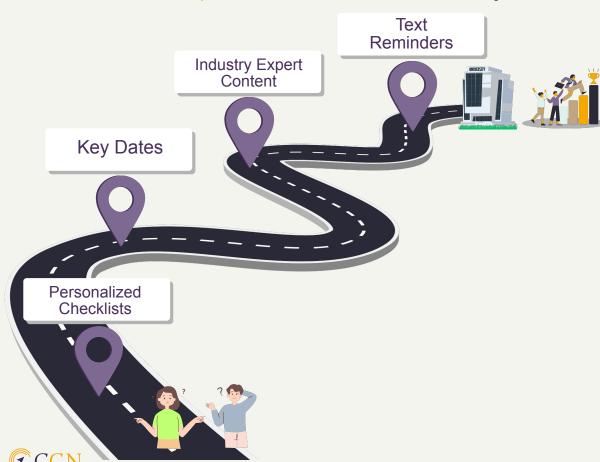
**Whitney Soule** Vice Provost / Dean of Admissions University of Pennsylvania



**André Phillips** Director of Admissions and Recruitment University of Wisconsin-Madison

- 300+ experts: Authors, Admissions Deans, College Presidents, Family Therapists, Financial Aid experts, etc.
- Experts cover more than 110 topics
- CGN's expert network offers Credibility and trust in the age of Al and misinformation

### What is a **CGN** Roadmap?



#### **BENEFITS:**

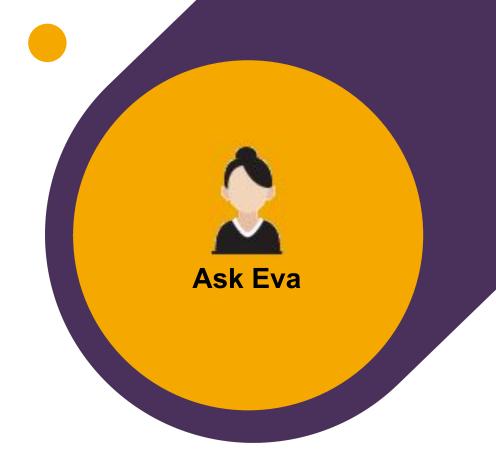
 A personalized Roadmap based upon your child's interests and needs

- Keeps you on track for the entire college & career process
- Access to high-quality content from over 300+ experts to support your journey
- Helps your child achieve a positive college/career outcome!



### Eva - The Highlights

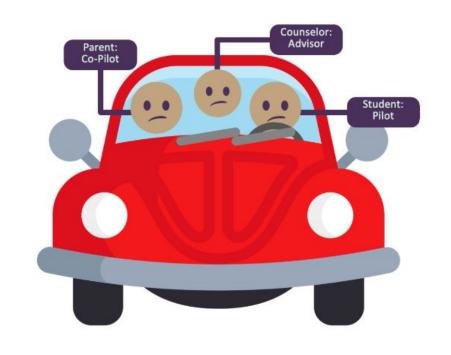
- Al assistant that is available 24/7/365
- Trained on the content from our 300+ experts
- Links to additional content to help facilitate your research
- Includes citations





We are meant to complement CCR software like Naviance, Scoir, and SchooLinks.

They are the steering wheel. CGN is the GPS.





### **Creating Your Account**

 Activate your account at <a href="mailto:app.cgnroadmap.com">app.cgnroadmap.com</a> or scan the QR code



- Choose your school from the drop down
- Fill out your info, then answer the questionnaire



