

# Welcome Class of 2025

## Parent/Guardians

Thursday, September 26, 2024



# Guidance Counseling & Health Services

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## Mr. Carlson – Director of Guidance and Health Services

### What we do:

- Academic, career, and post-secondary planning
- Technical program planning
- Armed services information and planning
- Scheduling conflicts
- Social-emotional support
- Crisis intervention/resources
- Job placement and career counseling
- Work and Driver permits

### School Counselors:

- **Mr. Harrison** – Advanced Manufacturing, Auto Body, Automotive, Dental Assisting, Medical Lab Assisting and Metal Fabrication
- **Ms. Henry** – Business Tech, Drafting, Graphic Arts, Health Assisting, Masonry
- **Ms. McFadden** – Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing
- **Ms. Samaha** – Cosmetology, Culinary, DVC, Electronics/Engineering, ISSN, Programming/Web Development
- **Ms. Caira & Mr. Smith**—Grade 9 counselors



## College Admissions Checklist

- Complete College Applications
  - If the college is not a Common App school, complete the application on the college's website.
  - For Common App schools, click the link to learn how to [Create a Common App Account](#), [Complete the FERPA](#), and [Complete Naviance Matching](#)
    - Common Application Resources
      - [List of Common App Schools](#)
      - [Common App Essay Prompts](#)
      - [List of Materials Required to Complete the Common App](#)
    - Required school & counselor details (click on your counselor's name below)  
[Mr. Harrison](#)   [Ms. Henry](#)   [Ms. McFadden](#)   [Ms. Samaha](#)
- Request Teacher Recommendations
  - Ask the teacher *in-person* at least 4 weeks before your first deadline. Do not ask for more letters than you need (typically 1 or 2)
  - [Submit a Letter of Recommendation Request Through Naviance](#) (click the link to learn how) to so your teacher can upload your letter to Naviance.
  - Give a completed [Letter of Recommendation Form](#) to the teacher writing your recommendation and to your guidance counselor.
- Submit a [Transcript Release Form](#)
  - Give to your counselor 2 weeks before your 1<sup>st</sup> admissions deadline
- Release SAT Scores from College Board (Talk to your counselor if you are not sure whether to take the SAT/send your scores
  - [2024-2025 SAT Test Dates](#)
  - [How to send SAT scores to my colleges](#)
- Research and Apply for Scholarships
  - [Naviance Find & Track Scholarship Reference Guide](#)
- Apply for Financial Aid with the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
  - [Applying for Financial Aid with the FAFSA Form-Video](#)



# College Planning Checklist

- Tool to help students complete the steps required to apply to college.
  - Emailed to students & posted in September Guidance Newsletter
- Students applying to 4-year colleges should review the document and reach out to their counselor with questions.
- Counselors are visiting Related classes to give general overview of college application process.
- 1-1 appointment with counselor recommended—especially students with “Early Action” deadlines (typically on or around November 1st)



# College and Career Fair

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- Thursday, October 24th 6:00-8:00 PM
- Meet representatives from
  - Public and Private Colleges & Universities
  - Technical Institutes
  - Military Branches
  - Unions

***Parents, guardians & students are encouraged to attend!***





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# Financial Aid Night

Wednesday, November 6th 6:00-7:30

Presenter: Amy Staffier

Director of Financial Aid, Simmons University

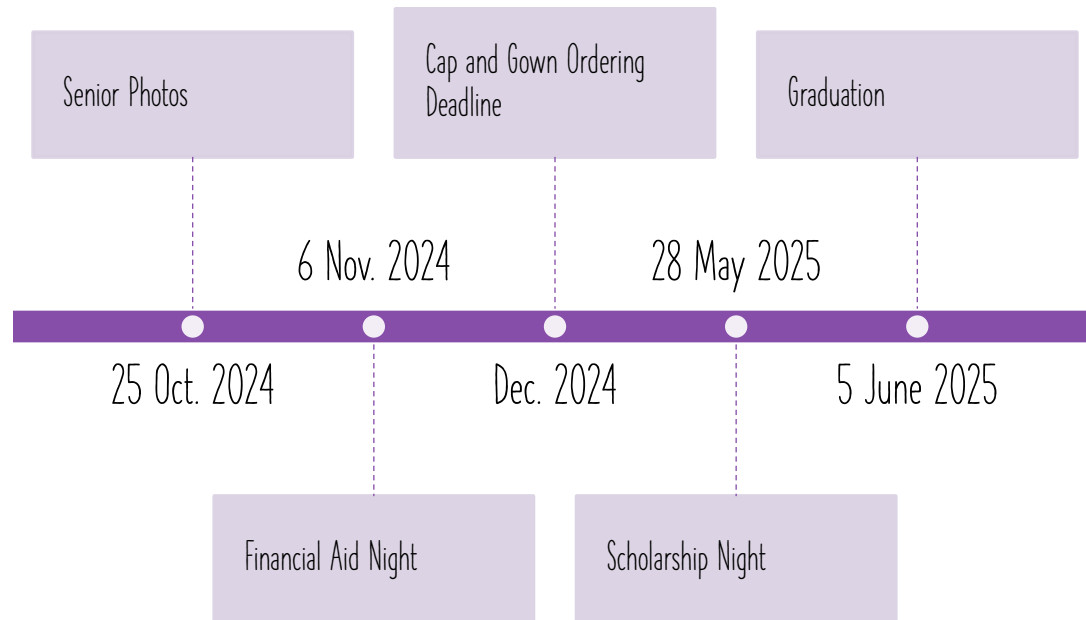
- Topics Covered
  - Financial Aid Applications
  - Types of Financial Aid
  - Factors that Determine Aid Eligibility
  - How Colleges Determine Amount of Aid to Offer
  - Details of Financial Aid Offers





# Important Dates

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# SHAWSHEEN TECH GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER

September



# GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER

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Emailed to families via  
Blackboard

Available on Shawsheen  
Tech website

[September Newsletter](#)

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