

Junior Focus Day 2022 - AGENDA

8:10-8:45	Welcome & Guest Speaker: Pat Money, GMU
8:45 - 9:00	Counselors on Senior Packet & College Timeline
9:05 - 9:45	Session 1
9:50 – 10:30	Session 2
10:35 – 11:13	Session 3

PICK 3 SESSIONS

College Application Essay Writing(Career Center A112) - Learn how to choose your topic, create structure, and use your own voice to showcase powerful storytelling. Set yourself apart!

Winning College Apps(Auditorium) – See how to put together the most effective application, top to bottom. Winning tips to maximize limited space, tell a complete story and use the best recommenders.

NOVA: Benefits in Your Backyard(Library-left side) - Find out all NOVA has to offer, including degrees and career certificates, how to apply, financial aid, NVCC Honors, tech degrees, sports, clubs, arts + more!

Top 10 Tips on The Common App(Library Computer Lab)– Turn the application from an obstacle to an advantage. Create your account, learn the nuts and bolts, avoid mistakes in requesting letters and submitting.

Mock Application Review (C-102)– Join two college admissions reps from schools with different methods to look at real applications (fake names) and decide who you, and the colleges, would admit, and who you wouldn't, and why.

College Panel #1 (C-113)– Virginia Panel: Hear 3 different ways of doing admissions, student life and academic programs.

College Panel #2 C-114)- Out-of-State Panel: Learn differences from in-states, such as unique programs, STEM focus, financial aid + more. Three out-of-state admissions reps from different types of schools will talk.

Military Options (E-100 Art Museum) - Discuss the services, career options and programs such as ROTC, reserves, service academies.

SAT/ACT Prep (Cafeteria-right side)– Learn about how to prep and choose between the SAT or ACT, how to individualize your study plan with a realistic timeline, and how to use those PSAT results from grades 10-11. Also see if the tests will be important to your plans, or if you should go test optional.

Where Can I Get \$\$\$ for College?(Library-right side) – College is seriously expensive – learn how to find extra dollars to afford your top schools and how people pay their way. You can do it!