



Junior Spring Reminders

Testing Plan

Decide when you'll take the ACT and/or SAT - think about your schedule outside of school, too! See page 3 for more information.

NCAA Eligibility Center

Considering playing sports at the DI or DII level in college? Don't forget to register online!

Grades/Transcript

This year is your last chance to change your GPA (either positively or negatively!) Finish this year strong - your GPA at the end of junior year will be the one you use to apply to colleges.

College Search and Visits

Utilize Naviance as a search tool. Ideally, try to visit campuses before the students are released for summer break. You'll get a feel for what the campus looks like bustling with students!

Letters of Recommendation

Start thinking about teachers you'd like to write you a letter. Have a conversation with them sooner rather than later, but hopefully before the end of the school year. Be sure to follow up with them and provide them with information they request. Most students will ask 2 teachers of core courses.

Many students this year have found a **study hall** to be incredibly helpful in their schedule. Students have time during their school day to work on assignments, and they also have the opportunity to visit the **Academic Center** in room A113 to work with available teachers for extra help.

Please see chart below for details on important upcoming dates.

March 9th - 15th	Students submit course requests on ALMA. Students should use this time to evaluate and discuss course selection options and considerations with teachers.
March 16th - June 15th	Students must submit all schedule change requests using the Google Form available on the counseling website.
June 20th - August 16th	Requests for schedule changes are not available.
August 14th	Schedules are released to students via ALMA.

Delaware County Technical Schools

Representatives from DCTS will be visiting GVHS on 2/4 during Lunch and Learn (First Lunch) in the library. Students interested in hearing more about DCTS programs should plan on attending. **Click here** for more information on programs offered (consult the **Course Selection Guide** for more information about how DCTS could work into your student's schedule.) Please note: if your student is interested in learning more about the **Medical Careers** program specifically, students should plan on meeting representatives on 2/20 in room C104 during Lunch and Learn (First Lunch). Students should email **Mr. Dunleavy** at DUNLEAT@garnetvalley.org to reserve their spot at one or both of the information sessions.



SATs and ACTs

In the charts below, you will find the remaining **SAT and ACT administration dates** for the 2019-2020 school year. For current juniors looking to test 2-3 times, August 2020 and October 2020 dates would still be early enough for most college applications. Those dates will be published and advertised for the 2020-2021 school year. Students will need to register at **CollegeBoard.Org** or **ACT.org**. Colleges will accept either test, but remember that some schools may be “**Test Optional.**” Do some research to find out if a school you’re interested in applying to falls into this category. Some colleges will require students to take **SAT Subject Tests**. June is a fairly popular date for Subject Tests, as students have just finished studying a year’s worth of content. **Click Here** for more information.

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020	March 3, 2020
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 21, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 27, 2020

ACT Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020	February 29- March 13, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 9-22, 2020
July 18, 2020	June 19, 2020	June 20-26, 2020

Announcements

- *February 6th-7th:* Counselors will be visiting math classes for most 9th graders to discuss **Career Pathways**
- *February 20th:* **Course Selection Night.** 6:30 GVHS
- *March 31st:* **SpeakUp!** At GVHS. Check-in begins at 6:30. See SpeakUp!’s [website](#) for more information.
- **QR Code Bulletin Board:** Stop by the bulletin board outside of the Counseling Office to visit the newly updated bulletin board! For student convenience, QR codes will quickly take them to relevant and helpful websites!
- Check out our **Coffee and Conversation** presentation slides on [Stress, Anxiety, and Coping](#).

