



## Cab Tech School Counseling Department

# SENIOR YEAR

### What to Expect

#### Supports

- ✓ **Academic** – Navigating academic challenges by taking a look at their academic habits and practices, suggesting new approaches and alternatives to try. Actual course selection/advising conducted by Mrs. Board
- ✓ **Social-Emotional** – Small group offerings via volunteered participation, along with brief check-ins (both student and counselor initiated)
- ✓ **College & Career** – Senior Prep Session held in early August to review college planning, college entrance exams, request processes, financial aid, reliable resources, and post-acceptance procedures. Non-collegiate postsecondary planning. College & military visits held from September to March on campus, along with planned college campus visit trips. On campus fairs held in conjunction with seminar
- ✓ **Consultation** – Parent and student consultations available to assist with communication, planning, and social-emotional support in a collaborative format (appointments only)

### Enrichment

- Local community, CCS, post-secondary, extracurricular, and other applicable opportunities/initiatives will be shared and posted for students and families via Remind messaging and Ms. Grayson's webpage

### Events

- CCS College Fair – Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm @ Cabarrus Arena & Events Center (Fairgrounds)
- CCS Financial Aid Night (Fall session) – Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 @ Winkler Middle School
- Senior FOCUS Night – Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6:15pm; stay tuned for date or time change!
- Cab Tech Public Service Fair – Fall semester, date TBD
- Cab Tech Career Fair – Spring semester, date TBD
- CCS Financial Aid Night (Spring session) – TBA!

**Continue to check the website for announcements and updates throughout the school year! Also be sure to join the Remind messaging app!**

- Cab Tech homepage > Faculty/Staff Websites > Grayson, Shannon

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## **\*\* POST-SECONDARY PLANNING OVERVIEW \*\***

<b>AUGUST</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Review your current GPA by setting a new goal and <u>mapping out/calculating the grades needed</u> to reach your goal. Also review your transcript to ensure you're on track for graduation (Grayson - high school, Board - RCCC)</li> <li>-Attend your Senior Prep Session!</li> <li>-Finalize your list of schools to apply to, and decide your admission type (early decision vs. early action vs. rolling, etc.)</li> <li>-Schedule all of your college deadlines so you can plan around them</li> <li>-Preview your admissions essays and begin writing them</li> <li>-If you haven't already, create your Common App and/or CFNC account</li> <li>-Register to retake the SAT and/or ACT if you want to improve your scores; see Ms. Grayson if you need a fee waiver</li> </ul> <p><small>*Many schools are once again test optional or waived for 2022 admission</small></p>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Locate and gather the documentation needed for the FAFSA and RDS (i.e. SSN, tax docs, payment statements, proof of residency, etc.)</li> <li>-Think about who you'd like to write your recommendations or references, and ask their permission</li> </ul>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Complete the FAFSA! Application opens on October 1<sup>st</sup>!</li> <li>-Attend CCS College Fair Oct.5<sup>th</sup>, 6pm @ Cabarrus Arena</li> <li>-Attend CCS Financial Aid Night Oct.19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm @ Winkler Middle School</li> <li>-Take advantage of Free Application Week Oct.18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>! *Select NC schools only</li> </ul>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-No plans to attend college beyond Cab Tech? Make an appointment with Ms. Grayson for plan development!</li> </ul>
<b>FALL - EARLY SPRING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Complete college applications!</li> <li>-Attend Cab Tech Public Service Fair (TBA)</li> </ul>
<b>MID JANUARY - FEBRUARY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Review your GPA from the Fall and make plans to finish strong! *Schools can rescind their offers if your final grades no longer meet their standards</li> </ul>
<b>LATE SPRING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Attend Cab Tech Career Fair (TBA)</li> <li>-Attend Senior FOCUS Night March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6:15pm</li> <li>-Create a list of your accepted schools to compare their costs and financial aid packages offered (total vs. net)</li> <li>-Accept your school offer and decline any others. Decision Day is May 1<sup>st</sup>!</li> </ul>
<b>YEAR LONG</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Refer to the "College Ready Checklist" to stay on track and ask questions!</li> <li>-Apply for scholarships and review student loan options</li> <li>-Report your school acceptances and financial aid awards as they come in via Ms. Grayson's Google form</li> <li>-<u>Continue</u> to expand and <u>document</u> your student profile via academic enrichment programs, <b>community service</b>, summer workshops, clubs, camps, etc. Seek leadership roles! If you have little to no activities listed at this point, increase your involvement ASAP</li> <li>-Attend local &amp; CCS college fairs and financial aid nights</li> <li>-Schedule and attend college visits! *Don't solely rely on our trips and fairs</li> </ul>
<b>SUMMER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Review all summer requirements and deadlines set by your Fall institution (i.e. orientation, housing application, deposit fees, insurance/health forms, financial aid, etc.)</li> <li>-Identify and gather the items you'll need for the Fall (dorm materials, vehicle maintenance, job supplies, etc.)</li> <li>-ENJOY this time of transition! 😊</li> </ul>