

Guidance Office- Fall Newsletter

Greetings

Hello! My name is Abby Temple, and I took on the role of Guidance Counselor at the beginning of last year after Mrs. Ginny Haver retired. Prior to teaching at TVCS, I spent seven years working in higher education at Liberty University. Making the transition to college & career planning, it has been wonderful combining my passion for teaching with preparing students for college and career opportunities.

I am endeavoring to do all that I can to ensure your child is ready for the next step in his or her life's adventure. If at any time you would like to discuss your child's future college and career goals, please email me at a.temple@tvcsww.org or call the school at 304-757-9550.

Important Dates

- October 1st: FAFSA & Promise opens for the 2017-18 year
- October 19th: PSAT at TVCS (Be there early!!!! Test begins promptly at 8:15 A.M.)
- October 20th: Meeting for parents of seniors at 6:30 P.M. in room 102
- October 31st: November 4- College Exploration Week
- November 3rd: 6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M.- College & Career Workshop night
- November 5th: SAT* (Late registration deadline: October 25th if done online/phone)
- December 3rd: SAT (Registration deadline: November 3rd)
- December 10th: ACT* (Registration deadline: November 4th)

* More info is available online at www.act.org and www.collegeboard.org.

Naviance: Family Connection

One educational tool that TVCS provides to you and your child is Family Connection by Naviance. This learning platform provides a variety of unique opportunities for your children including the following: interest and strength inventories, college and career searches, scholarship searches, resume building, ACT test preparation, and much more! Parents: to get your user name and access code, email or call me today!



"Preparing students to become leaders in influencing their world for Christ."

Fall Checklists by Grade

<p>12th Grade:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue working diligently in your classes • Complete the FAFSA • Take ACT and/or SAT • Narrow down and begin applying to colleges • Research and begin applying for scholarships • Ask for letters of recommendation well in advance! 	<p>11th Grade:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue working diligently in your classes • Attend college fairs • Take the PSAT/NMSQT • Use Family Connection and other tools to explore careers • Begin studying for the ACT and/or SAT
<p>10th Grade:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue working diligently in your classes • Meet with me to discuss college and career options • Use Family Connection and other tools to explore careers • Take the PSAT 	<p>9th Grade:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue working diligently in your classes • Get involved in school- or community-based activities that interest you or let you explore career interests • Use Family Connection and other tools to explore careers • Start a list of your awards, honors, paid and volunteer work, and extracurricular activities. Update it throughout high school.
<p>Middle School:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Think about college as an important part of your future. Discuss your thoughts and ideas with your family and with people at school. • Start saving for college if you haven't already. • Develop strong study habits. • Do your best in school and on standardized tests. • If you are having difficulty, don't give up—get help from a teacher, tutor, or mentor. • Become involved in school- or community-based activities that let you explore your interests and learn new things. • Speak with adults, such as your teacher, school counselor or librarian, relatives, or family friends, who you think have interesting jobs. Ask them, "What do you like about your job?" and "What education did you need for your job?" 	
<p>Elementary School:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do your best in school. • Read a lot. • Have fun learning! 	



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