



WEST ASHLEY HIGH SCHOOL

GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER

Meet the School Counseling Staff

<u>Counselor</u>	<u>Student's Last Name</u>	
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Special points of interest:

- *Guidance Staff*
- *Important Dates*
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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 21	ACT
September 23	progress reports go out
September 24, 6:00 – 8:00	Senior Night
September 29, 6:00	University of Virginia at Burke Middle High School
October 1, 6:30 – 8:00	Parent Night
October 5	SAT
October 16	PSAT (11 th graders)
October 17, 1 st and 3 rd	Midterms (semester classes) regular bell schedule
October 18, 2 nd and 4 th	Midterms (semester classes) regular bell schedule
October 22	College Application Day
October 22, 23, 24	HSAP
October 23	ASVAB testing
December 4	8 th grade tours
December 17, 1 st and 3 rd	End of Course Exams (EOC – Alg 1, Alg 1pt 2, US History, Eng 1, Bio)
December 18, 2 nd and 4 th	End of Course Exams (EOC – Alg 1, Alg 1pt 2, US History, Eng 1, Bio)

Parent Portal

With Power School's Parent Portal, parents can read West Ashley's daily bulletin, catch up on your child's class assignments, review your child's attendance, and check out your child's grades.

In order to access it, you will need a computer with internet access and a working email account to which you have access. From that account, please email the information listed below to: WAHSparentportalhelp@charleston.k12.sc.us

Your child's full legal name

Your full legal name

Your current address

Your best day time contact phone number

The last four digits of your child's Social Security Number

If you have an already existing Parental Portal account with another school, please let us know. We can link your WAHS's student to that account.

Gear Up

If additional support, motivation, social and/or emotional counseling, peer mediation, etc. is needed for a ninth grader, West Ashley High School has a GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) counselor. The goal of the GEAR UP counselor is to help students enroll in a postsecondary school upon graduating high school. Allison Rayle is the GEAR UP counselor and will be on campus Monday's, Thursday's and Friday's of every week in Room 101A .

The YMCA's Teen Achievers' Saturday Enrichment Program is one of GEAR UP's upcoming activities. This program is on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month. They will be working with the students on various topics such as college and career preparation; leadership skills; college tours; resume building; and much more. Please have your student speak to Ms. Rayle (Room 101A) about registering for this program.

Career Corner:

The Real World of Restaurants – great money, field trip to restaurants, job readiness skills

If you are 18 before May 2014 and interested in working in the front of the house in a restaurant, there will be a brief meeting on September 17 in the Media Center to provide details. Please sign up in room 124 first. Fifteen students will be selected to participate in a training class to prepare students for work in an upscale restaurant. Students will receive a half unit of service learning credit after passing the class.

Aircraft Assembly Technology – Trident Technical College

Aircraft assembly technicians are qualified to work for internationally known aircraft manufacturers. The program at TTC allows students to train for a career in aircraft manufacturing in two semesters while earning college credit. For more information, visit www.tridenttech.edu/AcademicPrograms/AeronauticalStudies
For additional information about TTC's gainful employment programs, visit www.tridenttech.edu/gainfulemployment.htm

Palmetto Moon Outfitters – is hiring 8 people in the warehouse for September and October possibly leading to a permanent position and 1-2 sales associates per store. They will be hiring 5-10 per store for Christmas help in late October/ early November.

In the warehouse there will be two shifts running 6 am and 8 pm, Monday through Friday with weekend availability starting in October. It is acceptable to send a resume or call to:

Morgan Marshall
Palmetto Moon
2070 Sam Rittenberg Blvd
Suite 112
Charleston, SC. 20407
763-7485 ext. 106
Fax 763-7731.

South Carolina Aquarium – summer internship program

The High School Internship is offered to current juniors who show an interest in the biological sciences and who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

If you are interested, check it out at <http://www.scaquarium.org/Volunteer/hsip.html>.

SOUTH CAROLINA PERSONAL PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS 16 CAREER CLUSTERS



Health Science is the fastest growing sector of the South Carolina job market, and high demand for healthcare workers means their jobs are among the best paying in the state.

Career Major Map: Therapeutic Services

Therapeutic Services employees work to counter the effects of disease and injury, maintaining or improving patients' health. These workers include physicians, veterinarians, dentists, psychologists, and the various people who assist them in the delivery of care.

Health Science

Required Core for Graduation	Sample Core Choices For additional college entrance requirements, refer to the college of your choice.			
	9	10	11	12
English* Four Units Required	English 1	English 2	English 3	English 4
Math* Four Units Required	Algebra 1 or Math for the Technologies 1	Geometry or Math for the Technologies 2	Algebra 2 or Math for the Technologies 3	Pre-Calculus or Math for the Technologies 4
Science* Four Units Required	Physical Science	Biology or Applied Biology	Chemistry	Physics
Social Studies Three Units Required	Global Studies 1 or World Geography	Global Studies 2 or Social Studies Elective or World History	U.S. History	Economics/Government
Additional State Requirements	Physical Education or JROTC (one unit) Computer Science (one unit) Electives (seven units)		Pass High School Assessment CTE or Modern or Classical Language (one unit) Art (one unit)	

Courses for Major (Minimum of four credits required)	Complementary Course Work	Extended Learning Opportunity Options Related to Major
Introduction to Health Science Health Science Technology 1, 2 Health Science Work-based credit Sports Medicine 1, 2 Sports Medicine Work-based credit Emergency Medical Services 1, 2, 3, and 4 Medical Terminology	Anatomy and Physiology Probability and Statistics Physics Modern or Classical Language	Career Mentoring Shadowing Internship Cooperative Education Senior Project HOSA membership

Professional Opportunities Upon Graduation		
High School Diploma Certified Nursing Assistant First Responder Emergency Medical Technician Home Health Aide Pharmacy Technician	Additional Training to 2-year Degree Dental Hygienist Paramedic Respiratory Therapist	4-year Degree & Higher Athletic Trainer Registered Nurse Occupational Therapist Physical Therapist Pharmacist Physician Physician Assistant