



December 2022

# SLHS COUNSELOR CONNECTION

## ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

Students are advised to speak with their teachers directly to discuss their academic progress and identify a course of action to improve learning outcomes and academic performance. Students needing extra help should also utilize the following available supports:

### NHS Student Tutoring

- Available for all core subjects and some electives
- Offered by NHS (National Honor Society) students during Spartan periods, study hall and after school hours (pending availability)
- Please complete the [NHS tutor request](#) form to request a tutor

### Directed Study during Spartan

- Occurs daily during Spartan period (10:27 AM - 11:02 AM)
- Students can seek extra support in a specific course
- Students should contact their school counselor to request a Directed Study schedule change

## LCCC APPLICATION DAY

Attention SENIORS! An admissions representative from Lehigh Carbon Community College will be hosting an "Application Day" at SLHS on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 to help students complete and submit applications to LCCC. Please sign up [here](#).

## SLHS CARES

Please complete the [holiday assistance online form](#) or speak directly to your child's school counselor if you would like to request food and/or holiday support for your family, particularly during the upcoming holiday seasons. This link is confidential and is only viewable by your school counselor and the district social worker. We will contact you shortly after receiving your response.

## ANIMAL SCIENCES & EMERGING HEALTH PROFESSIONALS INFO

Animal Sciences and Emerging Health Professionals are 1/2 day senior programs available to interested and qualified students. Minimum requirements for acceptance into the programs include a 3.0 GPA and final grade of a "B" in both Biology and Chemistry.

Students who would like to learn more about these competitive programs should sign up below to attend an information session on Monday, December 12 at 10:15am in the library.

[Sign up EHP/Animal Sciences](#)

## PSAT RESULTS

PSAT Results for 10th and 11th graders who tested on October 12th will be available on Monday, Dec. 5th via their College Board student account. Students will also receive a paper copy of their scores as well as their test booklet in homeroom by December 9th. For more information, on interpreting PSAT scores, please check out the [College Board website](#). Students are encouraged to link their College Board account to [Khan Academy](#) in order to access personalized practice for the SAT. Click [here](#) for a short video on how to link your accounts.

## PA GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE SCIENCES

The Pennsylvania Governor's School for the Sciences (PGSS) at Carnegie Mellon University is now accepting applications from Juniors for the summer 2023 program. PGSS is an intensive, five week summer residential program for students interested in pursuing a STEM career. This program is free of charge for the students chosen to participate. Please click on the link [here](#) for more information and the application. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2023.

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