



January 2023

# SLHS COUNSELOR CONNECTION

## COURSE REGISTRATION TIMELINE

Following is a general timeline for course selection activities for the 2023-24 school year:

- Jan. 20-Feb. 1- Teachers will discuss course options with students during Spartan
- Jan. 26- Jan. 31- Counselors will discuss course selection information in classes
- Feb. 2- Feb. 8- Counselors will be available during lunches to answer questions
- Feb. 2- Feb. 16- Students input courses into Sapphire
- Feb.- April- Counselors will meet with students individually

## ATTENTION JUNIORS & PARENTS

A letter will be mailed home in February with information to schedule a Junior Parent Meeting in March or April with your counselor to discuss postsecondary plans!

## MID YEAR GRADES TO COLLEGES

Attention SENIORS! Seniors who need to have their midyear grades sent to colleges must make the TRANSCRIPT REQUEST in Naviance. Midyear grades will be sent the week of January 30th. Please note that midyear grades will also include an ESTIMATED cumulative GPA that takes into account both completed semester courses AND full-year courses in progress (1st and 2nd quarter grades are averaged). \*\*Please refer to the email regarding midyear grades for more information.

## SAVE THE DATE

- 2/10/23- DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR MARCH SAT AT SLHS
- 3/3- GENERAL DUAL ENROLLMENT INFO SESSION IN THE HS LIBRARY DURING SPARTAN
- 3/8- LCCC DUAL ENROLLMENT MEETING IN THE HS LIBRARY AT 10:15
- 3/9- COLLEGE PLANNING NIGHT IN THE HS LIBRARY 630PM-830PM
- 3/11- MARCH SAT AT SLHS
- 3/28- ASVAB FOR ALL JUNIORS AT SLHS

## **CARON GROUPS**

Southern Lehigh, in collaboration with the Caron Foundation, is offering a wide variety of FREE groups to help support students. Groups will run 45 minutes per week for 6-8 weeks and topics range from stress management to building resiliency skills. Completed parental permission forms are required for participation. A full description of available groups and permission can be completed electronically (form below). Please contact your school counselor with any questions.

**[Caron Group Permission](#)**

## **ATTENTION AP STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

If you registered to take an AP Exam in May, please check your email and confirm you received the email confirmation. If you did not receive an email, please contact Mrs. Trachtman at [Trachtmans@sbsd.org](mailto:Trachtmans@sbsd.org)

The deadline to register or cancel an AP Exam is March 9. For more information about AP Exams and dates, please refer to the link below.

**[AP Website](#)**

## **ANIMAL SCIENCES DEADLINE EXTENDED TO 2/16!**

Animal Sciences is a 1/2 day senior program available to interested and qualified students. Minimum requirements for acceptance into the program includes a 2.5 GPA and final grade of a "B" in both Biology and Geometry.

Students who would like to learn more about this competitive program can refer to the [LCTI Website](#) for more information.

## **LCTI APPLICATION**

Any students interested in attending LCTI during the 23-24 school year must apply online. Students interested in the LCTI Academic Center (full day program) must contact their school counselor for a specific application code. \*\*Please note: current LCTI students do not need to submit an additional application.

**Priority Deadline is Friday, March 31, 2023.**

**[LCTI Online Application](#)**

## **LEHIGH UNIVERSITY IACOCCA GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP INTENSIVE**

Open to academically talented high school students who are current sophomores or juniors. Participants may not be older than 17 during the program dates of June 25 - July 22.

Applicants must demonstrate academic achievement, an interest in entrepreneurship, and a record of leadership and service activities. A selection committee of Lehigh University faculty and staff and business leaders reviews applications for academic achievement and commitment, leadership initiative, ability to contribute to a living/learning community, and excellent written expression.

The application deadline is February 19, 2023. For more information, refer to the link below.

[Iacocca Global Entrepreneurship Intensive](#)

## **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

## **COUNSELING DEPARTMENT**

Mrs. Christie Piascik (Last Names A-E)  
Mrs. Samantha Trachtman (Last Names F-K)  
Mrs. Tamme Westbrook (Last Names L-Ri)  
Mrs. Kristen Stepanczuk (Last Names Rj-Z)  
Mr. Cotie Strong (School Psychologist)  
Mrs. Melody Davis (Administrative Assistant)

