



Somerville High School presents
College and Career Day 2018

April 7, 2018



Welcome to our annual College and Career Day! With workshops for students & families in grades 6-12, we aim to provide the information and resources students need to be successful in high school and beyond.

Agenda

<i>9:45 AM – 10:00 AM</i>	Family and Student registration and handout pick-up	Location: SHS Main Entrance
<i>10:00 AM – 10:40 AM</i>	Introduction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • Post Secondary Panel • Explanation of workshop offerings 	Location: SHS Auditorium
<i>10:45 AM – 11:45 AM</i>	Session 1 Workshops, thank you for guests <i>See below for workshop choices</i>	Location: Various (see below)

Session 1 Workshop Choices:

What Matters in High School? *For students and families in grade 9 and 10.*

When applying to college, students need to know how to stand out in high school. Get the answers from the experts including current college students and college admissions counselors.

Location: Room 232

College Application Process *For students and families in grade 11.*

Believe it or not, the college application process begins now for Juniors! Led by an expert SHS counselor, this workshop will explain what students and families need to do this year – and how to do it!

Location: Auditorium

Financial Aid 101 *For students and families in grades 9, 10, and 11.*

In this workshop, experts from uAspire (our financial aid partner) will explain the basics of financial aid. After, you'll be prepared to create college plans with a full understanding of how financial aid works!

Location: Library

Working for the City of Somerville *For students and families in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12*

Join Jennifer Mancia from the City of Somerville who will share career opportunities. You'll learn about the City's Summer Jobs program, career opportunities for high school students and graduates, and the application process.

Location: Room 243

College Planning for Immigrant Families

The college process can be difficult and confusing for first-generation immigrant families. We will talk about what college is, if college is the right choice for you and your family, how to apply to college, and how to finance college. Spanish, Portuguese and Haitian Creole interpretation will be provided for this training.

Location: Room 257

SAT, ACT, & Test-Optional Schools *For students and families in grades 10 and 11.*

What will the Redesigned SAT look like? What resources are available to help you prepare? Do all schools require the SAT or ACT? In this workshop, you'll get the answers to all of these questions and more!

Location: Room 240 (Computer Lab)

11:45 AM – 11:55 PM Break & Snack

Main Hallway

11:55 AM – 12:55 PM Session 2 Workshops, eval & raffle, thank you to guests

Location: Various
(see below)

Session 2 Workshop Choices:

Financial Aid 101 (in Spanish) *For Spanish-speaking students or families in grades 9, 10, and 11.*

(in Spanish) In this workshop, you'll learn everything you need to do to apply for financial aid and how SHS will help. The workshop will be led by a representative from uAspire, our partner in financial aid!

Location: Room 257

Online College Planning Tools *For students and families in grade 11.*

There are many college planning tools available online and we want to help you use them! In this workshop, we will demonstrate how to use Naviance and College Board to your advantage!

Location: Library

The College Essay *For students in grade 11*

You'll leave this workshop with a start to your college essay and awesome advice from an expert college admissions counselor from Tufts University.

Location: Room 240 (Computer Lab)

Year Up Information Session *For students and families in grades 9, 10, and 11.*

Many students may choose to not attend a four year college immediately after high school. In this workshop, you'll hear about other paths from the experts: Alison Handy from Middlesex Community College and a representative from Year Up.

Location: Room 243

First Generation Student Stories

Hear from young people who were the first in their families to graduate college. They'll share their story, challenges they met along the way, and advice they have for you. If you or your siblings will be the first in your immediate family to go to college in the US, this is a great workshop for you!

Location: Library Classroom