

# School Counseling Hub

School counselors are partners in academic achievement and work in concert with teachers, administrators, and other personnel in your student's life to ensure that they have what they need to be successful. Like teachers, AASD school counselors have a set of curriculum standards and benchmarks they use to ensure that all students learn and become able to demonstrate. Here is a snapshot of the 2017-18 curriculum.



## Sophomore Seminar

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Sophomore Seminar is a family opportunity to learn more about academic and career planning. These *small group* seminars are designed to provide information and planning ideas for North families to prepare for their student's post-high school intentions. Sophomore Seminar will cover post-high school opportunities, student and parent resources, financial aid, and career-based learning. ***If parents are unable to attend, your student will attend at the scheduled time and date.*** *Students will then bring home this important information. We strongly encourage you to discuss these academic and career planning resources at a time that is convenient for your family.*

### Parents can schedule Sophomore Seminar ONLINE.

- a. logon to [MyConferenceTime.com/anhsc/](http://MyConferenceTime.com/anhsc/)
- b. Select folder labeled "Sophomore Seminar"
- c. Choose your Counselor (by student last name):
  - Wolfer: A-F, X, Y, Z
  - Krueger H-L, FCLA(ACA)
  - Helein G, M-R
  - Prudom S-W
- d. Choose your Sophomore Seminar Session
  - i. Seating limited in each session
  - ii. Seminars are only offered Semester 1



## Junior Seminar

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Junior Seminar is for all 11th grade students and will take place during a junior level ELA class September 26-28. Junior Seminar will cover progress toward graduation, post-high school planning, student resources, financial aid, and resume building. (If your junior student is not in an 11th grade ELA class, stop by the counseling office and we will arrange a pass to attend)

### ***Junior Parents: Need a refresher on college and career planning?***

If you need a refresher on academic and career planning you are invited to attend a presentation created just for you during ***Explore! 2018*** (check event calendar December/January for date/time) or call the counseling office and we gladly give you some dates to revisit a Sophomore Seminar. Also if you would like to receive 'REMIND' text updates Text @anhsscu to 81010.

## Senior Seminar

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Senior Seminar is for all 12th grade students and will take place during senior level ELA class in September 11-14. Senior Seminar will cover progress toward graduation, sending transcripts, college application procedures, financial aid, scholarship resources, and student resumes. (If your senior student is not in a 12th grade ELA class, stop by the counseling office and we will arrange a pass to attend a scheduled Senior Seminar)

### ***Senior Students and Parents: Need a preview of what to expect senior year?***

In April, all juniors were presented [Senior Forecast](#). This presentation is about what to expect Senior year. The Presentation is about 20 minutes long and is posted on the counseling main page on the North website.



**ATTENTION SENIORS:** New this year all seniors must complete an **Application for Graduation 2018**.

This application consists of a review of a student’s completed coursework in relation to required courses needed to earn a high school diploma from the Appleton Area School District. Completing this application is your student's last step in completing their academic and career planning process. The application for graduation will be open on August 3 and will close September 11. Students that do not complete this application will not have access to senior privileges or senior release. Students can complete the Application for Graduation 2018 online on the North Website or select ([Class of 2018: Graduation Application](#)). Your counselor will review your application and progress toward graduation. Students will receive verification on their graduation plan between September 11-14 during their Senior Seminar. **NOTE: Students should download their transcript from their IC account (under "REPORTS") to be able to accurately review their progress.**

***FCLA: All FCLA Seniors will complete the FCLA application for graduation in seminar.***

## **Financial Aid Presentations**



Want to increase your student’s chances in enrolling in a collegiate program after high school graduation? The top three reasons families do not complete FAFSA is 1) Too complicated 2) loan debt 3) no financial need. BUT Here’s a statistic you should know... *According to the National College Access Network, 90% of high school seniors who complete the FAFSA proceed directly to college, versus only 55% who don’t complete the FAFSA.* To assist North families, here are tentative financial aid meetings in our area: check with each school to confirm the date and time.

**Appleton North: October 5, 6:00pm**

**Oshkosh West: September 11, 6:00pm**

**Neenah HS: September 18, 6:00pm**

**Appleton East: September 25, 6:00pm**

**Little Chute HS: September 27, 6:00pm**

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## **Explore 2018 @ North High School: January 8, 2018**



- ★ Feature Presentation: **College and Career Planning - Junior Edition**
- ★ Feature Presentation: **Class of 2021 - Welcome to North**
- Encore Presentation: **Sophomore Seminar**
- North Learning Fair: **all evening in commons**

### **Academic and Career “in class” planning sessions:**

**8th grade students:** Planning sessions will take place at Einstein and KA in December during the school day. North counselors will assist middle school counselors and educational staff in providing course selection information, and timelines for the scheduling process.

**9th - 11th grade students:** Planning sessions will take place during homeroom in December. North counselors will assist homeroom advisers and educational staff in providing course selection information, Career Cruising planning tools and timeline for scheduling process.