

College and Career Program Overview

The Academy of Holy Angels offers a full service College and Career Center to its families. We have two college counselors who work with all our families, ninth through twelfth grade. Here are some of the highlights of our services.

Technology

The Academy of Holy Angels provides a comprehensive college and career planning Web tool, Family Connection, to each student. In this Web site, students can research colleges, apply to colleges and request their transcripts for their college applications. Students will also be able to get personality and career information individual to them. This has been a valuable resource for our students and families and they are excited about gaining valuable college admission information at their fingertips.

Freshman Year

The College and Career Counselors meet individually with each student and his or her family to discuss course planning for high school and steps that will guide them throughout their journey at AHA. The Freshman Family Meeting is scheduled during the first trimester of the freshmen year. This meeting helps students and parents understand what each student should be registering to take each trimester of their time at AHA.

Sophomore Year

College and Career Counselors meet in a classroom setting to discuss and administer a personality assessment titled *Do What You Are*. This program will match a student's personality and interests to potential careers and college majors. We also offer a resource titled *Career Interest Profiler* that just takes into account a student's career interests to match them to particular careers of interest using John Holland's Codes of Career Interest. We also offer Career Speakers throughout the year in the College and Career Center. We have AHA alumni that come back to discuss careers of interest with our students.

Junior Year

Families meet individually with their College and Career Counselor during the winter and spring of their junior year to discuss post-secondary planning. Juniors also participate in annual events such as College Planning Night, Financial Aid Night, and AHA's college fair. Jumpstart Your College Planning Day is a required, full day event for juniors that features a different college planning topic session each hour of the school day instead of their normal courses. They are also required to complete a college planning portfolio that includes a college essay, resume of activities, college search, a job shadow or interview and more.

Senior Year

The College Counselors meet individually with students to discuss post-secondary planning, and they work with the students to help them understand the college application process.