

Video 1: Introduction Script

Hello! Thank you for taking the time to listen to our Post-Secondary Planning Videos. My name is Elysse Catino, and I am the College and Career Counselor at WL. Thank you to those of you who submitted questions ahead of time, it was helpful in finishing up the content for our videos. This presentation is intended for both students and families. That being said, some content is directed toward one group or the other, but the information is important for all parties to hear.

Before we begin, I'd like to share that despite having gone through the college application process completely virtually, our senior class has had the highest number of students submit college applications through Naviance to date! We are proud of the 10% increase from last year and feel confident that we have the information and support in place to guide our 11th grade students as well.

Next you will see a list of people who make up the 11th grade counseling team. Hopefully students know who their counselor is by now, but if not, they will get to know them very well over the next year. I will also begin to transition to working with our 11th grade students more.

We created 9 different videos for you to view at your leisure. Each topic is important, so please take the time to watch all of them. We did our best to keep the content to around 5 minutes, but there are a few that are longer. The videos and additional resources are organized on the WL counseling website through their own page titled, Post-Secondary Planning 2021.

After viewing the videos, You will have the opportunity to ask questions next week on two different occasions with a live Q & A. Both students and parents/guardians can attend.

Tuesday, 2/2 from 11:30am-12:30pm.

Thursday 2/4 from 7:00pm-8:00pm

You do not need to attend the whole time, but are welcome to if you want. You also do not need to attend both sessions.

Links to join are in the email that was sent to students and families on 1/26.

I will also begin holding open office hours for junior students on Thursdays from 10:50am-11:50am. The link to join is on the homepage of your counselors canvas course.

Finally, I wanted to bring your attention to ways you can stay connected with the WL counseling department. Each 11th grade counselor has a Remind group for students only. We apologize we cannot offer this to parents as the program has restrictions on how many users we can have. This is a great way for students to receive text reminders directly to their phone. In addition, we encourage both students and parents to join our social media platforms that are listed.

Thank you again for listening in and please take the time to view one of our other videos.