



Guidance at St John Paul offers a proactive program aimed at helping students be successful in high school and prepared for the college experience. To accomplish this, I meet with students in each grade 6-8 times a year and offer Wednesday nights for families to ensure that parents are both involved and aware. These Wednesday night sessions include:

1. Guidance presentations, both in person and virtual, on a variety of topics
2. Mini sessions to show parents what was covered in meetings
3. Appointment times so that we can work together while your son and/or daughter is at JP2

Mark your calendars, here are the dates for our 2023-24 sessions-

DATE	TOPIC OF PRESENTATION	GRADE LEVEL(S)	VIRTUAL OR IN PERSON
Sept 13	Senior Information Night	12	virtual
Sept 20	The Common Application	12 and 11	virtual
Oct 4	PSAT Preview	11,10, and 9	virtual
Oct 18	Freshman Information Night	9	IN PERSON
Nov 18	Junior Planning Night 1	11	IN PERSON
Nov 15	Using the College Board Website	11, 10, 9	virtual
Dec 6	Sophomore Planning Night	10	IN PERSON
Dec 13	Using the Career Interest Inventory	10 and 9	virtual
Jan 10	Understanding the PSAT Results	11, 10, and 9	virtual
Jan 24	Standardized Testing and College	11	virtual
Feb 2	Junior Planning Night 2- Financial Aid	11	IN PERSON
March 20	Scheduling at JP2 and the AP Program	11,10 and 9	virtual

May 15	College Representative Night	11,10 and 9	IN PERSON
May 29	Preparing for the Senior Year	11	IN PERSON

Additional evenings:

1. In the month of April, I will have appointments on both **Wednesday and Thursday nights** so that families can meet either in person or virtually to discuss their child's 2024- 25 schedule
2. This fall, Jodi Conway will hold multiple FINANCIAL AID sessions for senior parents to review forms, updates and merit money. Dates and times TBD!

All presentations begin at 7:00 and reminder emails will be sent a week in advance with either the location or the Google Meet code to join.

To sign up for appointments for the first semester, here is the Sign-Up Genius link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094EA4AA2AA2F49-semester1#/>

Please be sure you are signing up for the correct date as there will be multiple pages with dates and times. After you sign up, I will send you a Google Meet confirmation.

I look forward to working with you and hope that you will be an active part of the St John Paul II community.

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