



**NORTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL**  
**CLASS of 2025 COUNSELING DEPARTMENT**  
**NEWSLETTER**

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Hello Class of 2025 Students and Families! The Class of 2025 team has been sending monthly newsletters this year as a way to provide updates and important information. Another way to stay connected is through the 'Just Juniors' page on the North Central High School Website (<https://www.nchs.cc/class-of-2025/>).

**Letters of Recommendation Input:** Many colleges and universities require or recommend a letter of recommendation from a school counselor. Letters of recommendation are intended to provide additional insight about your student beyond what is reflected in their college application and academic transcripts. The Class of 2025 counselors are inviting the adults who know their student best to fill out an optional survey that provides us with information about your student. We are hoping this is an opportunity for you to brag (in the best way!) on your student and provide additional specific examples or situations of what they have accomplished during their time in high school.

→ Find the Google Form here: [Parent/Guardian Insight Form](#)

- We will also be sending a similar form to your student so they can provide us with their perspective on their high school/life experiences.

**Academic Advising:** Counselors have met individually with all juniors to discuss course selections for next year and to explore options for after high school. Please talk to your students about their selections. It is very important to choose carefully as they are scheduling for their entire senior year.



**NC College Bootcamp Sessions:** College Admission Boot Camp is the opportunity to get a head start on your college process. During the half day session students will learn about Xello, our new college/career management system, create their Common App account, get some financial aid tips and hear some words of wisdom from college admission reps. **Sessions will be held on July 10, 16, 17 and 18.** Students attend one session from 8:30am-12:30pm and sessions will be capped at 40. The application link is [here](#).

**Summer School 2024 Registration OPEN: ALL CLASSES ARE FREE**

- **Indiana Online registration is still open and will offer the following academic courses online:** English 9,10, and 11, Government, Economics, US History, World Geography, Algebra I , Geometry, Algebra II, Precalculus, Trigonometry
  - To register for Indiana Online classes, go to [www.indianaonline.org](http://www.indianaonline.org). Registration is open from April 8 - May 31.
- **In-Person Summer School Registration** has closed (including online health and PE). It will reopen May 21st.

# CAREER & WORKFORCE INFORMATION

**Built to Succeed** is a great resource for students who are interested in connecting with over 60 different construction apprenticeship training facilities throughout Indiana. These training locations are located statewide and range from:

- Boilermakers, Carpenters, Electricians, Plumbers, Roofers and more
  - Find more information at their website: <https://www.builttosucceed.org/>
  - Instagram: @inconstcareers
  - Twitter: @INConstCareers
  - Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WWfzw0y-xmA>

# COLLEGE INFORMATION

**Out of State Colleges with In-State Prices:** There are multiple colleges located in states nearby that offer Indiana Residents In-State tuition. Here is a starting point of schools that have offered this before:

[☰ Out of State - In State Tuition](#) . In addition, check out the Midwest Student Exchange program for a multi-state tuition discount reciprocity program. Information can be found here: <https://msep.mhec.org/>.

**Common Application:** The Common Application, which is accepted by more than [1,000 schools](#), including some colleges outside the U.S., helps streamline an essential part of the admissions process for students. The 2024-2025 essay prompts that they will choose from have been released and are available [here](#).

**What should my student be doing to prepare for life after high school?** Click [here](#) for a list of suggested steps to make things feel more manageable.

→ **College Visits:** Summer is a great time for students to visit college campuses to learn more about the colleges in which they have interest and narrow down their lists. Here is a list of tips when visiting colleges:

■ [Campus\\_Visit\\_Checklist.pdf](#) ← Click

→ **Should I take the SAT and/or ACT?** Although there are some colleges that are allowing students to apply “test-optional”, we still recommend that students take the SAT and ACT. This best prepares the student to apply to all colleges and universities and allows them to see if their test scores may enhance their application. It will also cover them in case there are certain scholarships that require test scores to be submitted. See the list of this school year’s SAT and ACT test dates and associated

deadlines [here](#). Please remember that all students who receive Free/Reduced lunch can receive test fee waivers to take both the SAT and ACT for free.

### **ACT Prep Resources:**

#### **Free Practice Test and Study Guide**

- Includes a full-length practice test (including writing prompt)
- Get an overview of the ACT test and what to expect on test day
- Access general test-taking strategies

#### **Free ACT Official Online Practice Test**

- Take official ACT practice tests in all 4 subject areas
- Know exactly what you missed and what you didn't with a score report
- Access related resources to improve your skills based on what you missed
- Retake the test as many times as you want

#### **Free Online Test Prep with Kaplan**

#### **Free Online Test Prep Events with Kaplan**

### **SAT Prep Resources:**

- Official SAT® Practice on Khan Academy provides free, high-quality, and personalized SAT practice to all student - <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>
- More time on Official SAT Practice is associated with higher SAT scores and could lead to college scholarships. The free practice includes personalized study plans, interactive problems, video lessons, 8 full-length practice tests.

→ Additional SAT-ACT Prep can be found here: 📄 SAT-ACT Prep.pdf

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

**Butler University BeReal** is an immersive leadership and college experience. Explore life at college, discover how to develop and enhance your leadership skills, appreciate others' gifts, and forge your own path as a leader in a rapidly changing world. More info [here](#). **Deadline to apply: May 15, 2024**

**BOP Future Scholars Camp – Purdue University**: July 14-20, The BOP Future Scholars Camp is a FREE opportunity for rising high school seniors from historically underrepresented minority groups with at least a 3.3/4.0 unweighted GPA from across the country to explore the world of business and learn how Purdue's Daniels School of Business prepares students for a successful career post-graduation. Students will enhance their teamwork and leadership skills, make unforgettable memories with new friends, get access to leaders at Fortune 500 companies, business school faculty, and alumni, and learn more about the Purdue admissions process and financial aid opportunities. More information and apply [here](#).

**Summer Law Enforcement Academy**: IYCLEA is a week long camp that gives youth the chance to experience Law enforcement training led by troopers of the Indiana State Police. Open to students in grades 9-12. Come learn about crime scene investigation, self-defense, K-9 handling, conflict resolution and much more. More information available [here](#).

**Butler University: Pharmacy Camp**: June 25-June 28, **Fee: \$200** (Fee includes lunch and snacks for each day, a camp T-shirt, transportation for field trip, and camp project supplies) – scholarships available to students who qualify. Students will gain an understanding of medication therapy in today's healthcare environment and explore the role of the pharmacist in contemporary healthcare. There will also be an introduction of the many career paths in pharmacy,

including ambulatory and acute patient care, drug compounding, pharmaceutical research, and more! More information [here](#).

**Notre Dame Summer Scholars Program:** Interested in attending the Notre Dame Summer Scholars Programs? More information [here](#).

**Purdue Summer College Experience:** Students and families can check out the [Purdue Summer College Experience](#). Registration closes May 15.

**Taylor University Summer Academic Camps:** Students and families that are interested can check out the [Taylor University Summer Academic Camps](#).



**Launch Your Future**  
**21ST CENTURY SCHOLAR**  
**SUMMER CAMP 2024**

Marian University welcomes 21st Century Scholars who are rising sophomores, juniors, & seniors to attend this day camp. This camp will focus on completing their 21st Century Scholar High School ScholarTrack requirements & career exploration. Such as trips to the Zoo, Children Museum, etc.

 **COST: FREE!**

 **JUNE 24TH-27TH**  
**9AM-4PM**

*Register Now!*



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