

SENIOR INTERVIEW 2020-2021
IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION

SENIOR PARENT NIGHT: Will be held virtually this year! There will be presentations on Scholarships, Graduation, AAA, Financial Aid, and Josten's. Parents and students seeking important information regarding their child's senior year and preparation for the next step should view this. Details to follow on RHS Counseling website.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Formerly known as the CUBE, **Feroah Center for College and Career Exploration**, is the best and most easily accessible resource for learning about colleges, scholarships, and Financial Aid information. While there will be in person hours available, we highly encourage students and parents to regularly check the RHS College & Career Center website throughout the school year for the latest in websites, applications, and general advice. The **Senior Bulletin** is published quarterly by Ms. Ortiz and will be posted to the website. The RHS College & Career website link is <https://www.washoeschools.net/renohsccc>.

RHS General Scholarships: RHS oversees and awards many local scholarships. You may only be considered for some of these scholarships by filling out the **RHS GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION** which will be available on the College & Career website starting October 1st. The application is due **December 15, 2020 by 2:30 (drop off location TBD)**. Due to the current COVID 19 restrictions, please call to make an appointment to come visit the Career Center in person.

Millennium Scholarship: There is no application process. Eligible Nevada high school graduates will be notified of their award by mail the first week of August 2021. Please refer to the Millennium Scholarship website for eligibility criteria: <http://www.nevadatreasurer.gov>

FINANCIAL AID: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) could qualify you for grants, loans, and work-study. Apply on-line at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. The 2020/2021 applications will be available **October 1, 2020**. You will create a FSA ID with your email address and security questions. Keep in a safe place as this is valid for 10 years. Federal financial need is based on your family economic situation and applications are evaluated on a first-come/first-serve basis. **March 1, 2021** is the priority deadline for Univ. of Nevada students.

COLLEGE FAIR: This year's College Fair will be done virtually the date is **Wednesday, October 21, 2020** from **5:30 PM-8:30 PM**. Student registration <https://www.wacac.org/college-fairs/wacac-fairs/>

UNR: UNR's 2021-2022 application for admission opened on September 15th (<https://www.unr.edu/admissions>)

- **Early Action Application Deadline: November 15, 2020**
- **Regular Admission Deadline** (To be considered for Scholarships) **February 1, 2021.**
- **Honors College Deadline February 1, 2021** (must have done regular admission application first)
- **Final Admissions Deadline** (NO Scholarship Consideration) **April 7, 2021**

UNR Applicants must have the following to be considered for admission:

- 3.0 Weighted academic grade point average in **CORE** classes (English, Math, Science, Soc. Studies)
 - To calculate your GPA go to <https://www.unr.edu/prospective-students/agpa-calculator>
- \$60 application fee (in state tuition is \$242.50 per credit)
- Official High School Transcript <https://washoeschoolsnv.scriborder.com/>
- **OPTIONAL** : 2021 applicants may choose to send official SAT/ACT scores to UNR
- Other fees/applications:
 - Advanced Registration fee (\$250- guarantees an early freshman schedule and priority housing)
 - On-Campus Housing application available October 15th; Feb 1 is the priority cut-off date 1 (space is limited so apply early- \$325 deposit secures your spot)
 - FAFSA- Available October 1, 2020

- **NEVADA BOUND and NEVADA BOUND LIVE:** Nevada Bound is available for prospective students and parents to visit the campus of UNR (virtually and/or in person), learn about admissions, scholarships, financial aid, housing, tour all the residence halls, meet with academic representatives, and participate in informal discussions with current students. We strongly encourage students planning to apply/attend UNR to attend this valuable program. Registration for **Nevada Bound** days is through their website <https://admissions.unr.edu/portal/nevadabound>.

UNLV: UNLV does not require the ACT or SAT scores for admittance to UNLV. Students can earn EITHER a 3.0 weighted core GPA, a 22 ACT composite score, an 1120 total SAT score or an advanced high school diploma. <https://www.unlv.edu/>

TMCC: <https://www.tmcc.edu/>

- Steps for Enrollment can be found at <https://www.tmcc.edu/steps-to-enroll/degree-seeking>
- Need help applying? Make an appointment to sign up with Ms. Ortiz in the **Feroah Center for College and Career Exploration** to attend a virtual **Application Workshop**: (Dates TBD- <https://www.washoeschools.net/renohsccc>)
- **TMCC Specific Programs**
 - **TMCC NV Promise Scholarship:** Open to all NV residents who plan to enroll in a minimum of 12 semester credits in Fall 2021. Program details can be found at <https://www.tmcc.edu/nevada-promise-scholarship>. **Deadline to apply is October 31st.**
 - **Success First Program:** Program goal is to increase college readiness for first generation college students with financial need. Uses a Summer Bridge program to give students a jump start to college. <https://www.tmcc.edu/recruitment-access-center/success-first-program>

COMMON APPLICATION: <https://www.commonapp.org/> 900+ colleges use this application portal, and the Common Application provides a complete toolkit of tips and best practices designed to help you complete your applications successfully and on time: <https://www.commonapp.org/counselors-and-recommenders/common-app-ready>

- Application guide and video tutorials are also available on the student account
- Must invite Counselor and teacher(s) to complete application process
- Notify Counselor ASAP if applying to a Common Application School

UC/CSU SCHOOLS: University of California (UC) application is open and the deadline to apply is **November 30, 2020:** <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/uc-system>. California State University (CSU) application opens October 1, 2020 and the deadline to apply is **December 4, 2020:** <https://www2.calstate.edu/apply>

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS: All students must use this process when requesting an official transcript. <https://washoeschoolsnv.scriborder.com/> Fee per transcript is \$10.00 + \$4.00 processing fee for a total of **\$14.00 per transcript. YOUR FIRST (4) TRANSCRIPTS ARE FREE.**

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS (SAT (Reasoning) or ACT): Because of COVID 19 restrictions many colleges are making standardized tests optional. We recommend checking with your specific school to see if they will require them. Seniors who need them should plan to take the SAT/ACT no later than the December testing date. (**Testing sites are limited due to COVID and filling up fast so register early!**). Test dates and registration are available online for SAT at <https://www.collegeboard.org/> or for ACT <https://www.act.org/>

Two-year colleges administer their own placement tests for English and Math and do not require the SAT/ACT but may want something similar like the Accuplacer. **RHS school code- 290145.**

NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER: Students must be approved through the **NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER** if they plan to play sports at a Division I or II University. Check for Eligibility Standards and Requirements.

Students must take the following actions:

- Apply online at <https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/> and pay the required fee
- Complete the required amateurism acknowledgement form
- Order an official transcript to be sent to the eligibility center <https://washoeschoolsnv.scribborder.com/>
- Send 1 official SAT or ACT score directly to the NCAA from the testing centers (Reno High School cannot send these scores).
- **RHS school code is 290145.**

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Colleges often request letters from teachers and/or counselors as part of the application process. Provide teachers/counselors with a resume and plenty of notice. **Allow a minimum of 10 school days for your recommender to write a good letter.** Many colleges also require secondary forms to be filled out by counselors. Same notice applies.

MILITARY: You need your high school diploma to join the military! Research military options thoroughly and contact local recruiters (see websites and phone numbers below). Consider taking the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery). See Ms. Ortiz for more information.

Army: www.army.mil; www.goarmy.com; 829-2769
Marines: www.usmc.mil; www.marines.com; 829-8911
Navy: www.navy.mil; www.navy.com; 331-1126
Air Force: www.af.mil; www.airforce.com; 829-2807
Air National Guard www.ang.af.mil ; 788-4500
Coast Guard: www.uscg.mil; www.gocoastguard.com
Military Careers online: www.todaysmilitary.com

APPRENTICESHIPS: Learn and earn on the job in construction and related industries (electrician, ironworker, NV Energy, painter, plumber, sheet metal worker, etc.). Check out Northern Nevada Apprenticeship Coordinator's Association (NNACA) website at www.buildingtradejobs.org and/or contact them directly at 825-6866

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING WCSD POLITICES

- Official transcripts and standardized test scores (SAT, AP, ACT) are the responsibility of the student and are to be ordered and sent by the student to desired recipients.
- Per WCSD policy, the role of Reno High Staff is only to provide guidance to students and families as to where to find pertinent information. RHS Staff will **NOT**:
 - Indicate, confirm, or advise student eligibility for **NCAA**
 - All student information can be found on the NCAA website
 - Assume any responsibility for admission requirements to Universities and Colleges
 - It is the students' responsibility to research information regarding individual schools, their admission criteria, scholarships, financial aid, etc.
 - Under no circumstances will WCSD staff estimate a student's GPA eligibility for **Millennium Scholarship**.
 - Millennium Scholarship recipients are not determined until AFTER graduation