

CRC OPEN TIMES –

Monday through Friday – 7:10 AM – 3:00 PM

Students should stop by the CRC to set up appointments.

Appointments can be made for before school, during lunch, after school and the second half of class periods. You will receive a pass during the class period indicating the time of your appointment.

ALERT:

Application Deadlines are approaching

Seniors, *please* watch your college application deadlines. The University of Minnesota – Twin Cities and the University of Wisconsin Madison both have priority deadlines of **NOVEMBER 1**. This means you need to complete your application, send your transcripts and send your test scores **prior** to this date (along with other elements such as fees, letters of rec). If you are planning to apply to these institutions, please go to Parchment today and request your transcript be sent to them. Stop in to the CRC if you need help!

COMMON APP SCHOOL REPORTS

Does your college require a counselor or school report from the Common App? If so, make an appointment with your counselor to find out the next steps in this process. You will invite your counselor to complete your forms through the Common App, so be sure to enter their email address carefully. You will then request your transcript be sent to The Common Application through Parchment.

Stay connected to CRC news. Receive our newsletter electronically by emailing Jennifer at: hamelj@district279.org.  Follow us on twitter @MGSHCRC

College Reps Visiting

Oct 25 – Bethel University

Oct 26 – University of MN ~ MORRIS

Oct 27 - Gustavus Adolphus College

Oct 31 - Michigan Tech

University of Kansas (KU)

Nov 1 – University of Wisconsin Eau Claire
St. Scholastica

Nov 9 – North Hennepin Community College

Nov 11 – Mankato State University
Concordia Moorhead

Nov 14 – UW Milwaukee

Nov 17 – Moorhead State

Nov 18 – Drake University

Meeting with colleges

College admissions representatives come to our school to meet with students (primarily Seniors and Juniors). Visits usually last about 30 minutes. The admissions rep will tell you (and the other students in the group) about their college and answer questions you may have about programs and the campus. This is a great opportunity to get more information. Sign up for these visits and get a pink pass in the CRC.

FINANCIAL AID FOR COLLEGE

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now open. This year the application opened on October 1st! Students and families have the opportunity to complete the FAFSA using tax information from the 2015 tax year. Please do not delay in completing the FAFSA. There is a limited amount of money for state/federal government to give out, so with FAFSA the “early bird gets the worm.” You can learn more about completing your application for aid here: www.fafsa.gov. All students planning to attend any type of college should complete a FAFSA.

If you find this process confusing, please consider coming to our financial aid speaker on conference night. Candice Bartell of NHCC will be here at 6:00 PM in the Forum Room to talk about changes to the FAFSA, and answer questions general about financial aid. This free workshop will apply to students attending any institution, and is not NHCC specific.

Sending Transcripts

Maple Grove Senior High uses Parchment to electronically process all transcripts. Students must create an account at www.parchment.com. Carefully enter accurate birthdate, full legal name and graduation year information (these are the three most common errors which cause delays). Other tips: Use a private email address (not your Osseo apps email address). Do not open this account using the Facebook login option. After you create the account, immediately add Maple Grove Senior High as your institution (at the blue plus sign prompt). Please allow several days for processing. Transcripts cannot be sent during end of trimester grading windows (for about a week). Please check application deadlines and plan ahead. Detailed step-by-step directions for sending transcripts can be found on the CRC website under Quick Links. If you have questions please stop by the CRC. We are happy to help!



Military Recruiters at Maple Grove Senior High

Information in CRC/Recruiter available in cafeteria during lunches

U S Army November 1 (usually 1st Tuesday) Sergeant Pearson

Minnesota Army National Guard November 10 (usually 2nd Thursday) SFC Behrens

U S Marines –November 16 (usually 4th Wednesday) Sergeant Rosales

U S Navy November 3 (usually 1st Thursday) OS2 Christa Kluender

US Air Force November 16 (usually the 3rd Wednesday) Staff Sergeant Jason Neal

NORTH METRO SELECTIVE COLLEGES INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

6:30-8:30 P.M.

CHAMPLIN PARK HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

This information session will feature representatives from some of the country's most selective colleges and universities discussing what students and parents need to know about their selection process. The format will include a brief presentation from each world-class class school and then will be open to questions from the audience. There will also be time for individuals to speak directly with the panelists. Schools scheduled to attend include: Notre Dame, Boston College, Northwestern, & Carleton.

COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE MONTH

From a news release from MNSCU:

"The 30 colleges and seven universities of Minnesota State are all waiving application fees in October for all or part of College Knowledge Month, an annual statewide effort to encourage students to apply to college. Most Minnesota State colleges and universities are waiving application fees from October 24 – 31. Others have chosen to waive fees for the entire month. (Application fees for qualified low-income students are always waived at all Minnesota State Colleges and Universities)." Please note: this is the Minnesota State system, which is different than the University of Minnesota system. To see a complete list please click here:

<http://tinyurl.com/MNSTATEWAIVE>



Four Year Degree Options on North Hennepin Community College's Campus

Did you know that The University Center at North Hennepin Community College offers **12 bachelor's degrees** via partnerships with well-known state universities. We chart a seamless pathway for students to earn a four-year degree without ever having to leave NHCC's campus. Our tuition rates remain one of the lowest in the state of Minnesota and our Brooklyn Park location provides residents of the west metro with a convenient option to pursue a degree. For more information please visit: www.nhcc.edu/academic-programs/university-center

Energy Explorers 2016-2017

Learn about a variety of technical careers from working professionals by joining Energy Explorers. Registration is available at the meeting for those interested in participating this year. New students: \$30; returning students: \$24. The first meeting is on us. We meet monthly for 90 minutes from October to May at Great River Energy Headquarters at 12300 Elm Creek Blvd, Maple Grove. Parents and friends are welcome to attend the first meeting. Have questions? Contact us at grexploring@greenergy.com Visit us online at www.greatriverenergy.com/energyexplorers to see our complete program schedule.

Tuesday, Nov 15th, 6:30 - 8PM

UAV Engineers – There’s a drone in your future! Use of drones is growing in surprising ways. Is there a drone in your future? Learn how drones are being used in the energy industry, and meet the engineers that are developing the next generation of drones.

Tuesday, Dec 13th, 6:30 - 8PM

BIG DATA Analysts – Mining data for value. The electric grid is getting “smarter”. But what value can we get from all this data? Meet GRE’s “Sherlock Holmes” of consumer electricity usage data, and learn how this data helps us to use energy more efficiently. Are YOU ready for a career in BIG DATA?

The Minnesota House of Representatives is now accepting applications for the 2017 High School Page Program.

For over 40 years, high school juniors from throughout Minnesota have participated in this unique opportunity to view their state government in action. This non-partisan program allows students to spend a week at the State Capitol participating in a wide variety of educational experiences. They are able to gain a better understanding of state government and the legislative process by examining what they have learned in the classroom under real-life circumstances. An application and more information can be found at

www.house.leg.state.mn.us/edprog/introletter.asp To be considered for this program, applications must be received by December 2, 2016. This is a great opportunity for any student planning to study law and politics.



Maple Grove Police Explorers ~ Thinking about a career in law enforcement? Consider joining Police Explorers. Meetings are Monday evenings 6:00 – 9:00 PM at the City of Maple Grove Police Department. Questions? Email policeexplorers@maplegrovern.gov



Scrubs, Gloves, & Microscopes (SGM) is a series of health career exploration sessions for high school students currently in grades 9-12. SGM gives you the opportunity to briefly experience life in a health profession, or health professional program. Each session is approx. 3 hours in length, and will take place during the school week. During each SGM session, you may:

- Learn from health professional school students or professionals in the field
- Participate in a hands-on experience
- Discover important next steps for pursuing the featured career!

Scrubs, Gloves, & Microscopes is sponsored by the Health Careers Center at the University of Minnesota, in partnership with the U of M Academic Health Center schools and programs.

Students can sign up for up to three SGM sessions per academic year. This website contains session descriptions, registration information and program policies, divided into the sections shown on the left hand side of the page. Each individual SGM session costs \$45.00. If this cost becomes a barrier for you to attend, please speak with Mrs. Hamel in the CRC. These sessions are very popular and fill up quickly. If you wish to attend one of these sessions, please register as soon as possible at

<http://www.healthcareers.umn.edu/courses-and-events/high-school-programs/scrubs-gloves-microscopes>

Sessions include:

Nursing

Session 1: Wednesday, October 19, 2016 | 1 PM to 4 PM

Session 2: Thursday, October 20, 2016 | 9 AM to 12 PM

MD: Life of a Surgeon

Friday, February 3, 2017 | 9 AM to 12:00 PM

Occupational Therapy

Friday, October 28, 2016 | 9 AM to 12 PM

Dentistry

Thursday, February 16, 2017 | 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Veterinary Medicine

Wednesday, November 16, 2016 | 9 AM to 12 PM

Exploring Careers as a Health Researcher

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 | 9 AM to 12 PM

Pharmacy

Friday, December 2, 2016 | 1 PM to 4 PM

Sports Medicine

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 | 9 AM to 12 PM

Diagnostic Detectives: Medical Lab Science

Session 1: Friday, January 27, 2017 | 9 AM to 12 PM

Session 2: Friday, March 24, 2017 | 9 AM to 12 PM

Physical Therapy

Friday, April 14, 2017 | 1 PM to 4 PM

2016 PowHERful™ Summit: Twin Cities, MN

The Soledad O'Brien & Brad Raymond Starfish Foundation is excited to bring its PowHERful™ Summit to St. Catherine University in the Twin Cities, MN, in partnership with ECMC, on Saturday, October 29th, 2016.

PowHERful™ is a free, daylong empowerment summit for young women aged 15 to 23 years old. We give these high school and college-aged girls a chance to explore different career options, receive useful guidance and advice, and interact with successful professionals. PowHERful™ features industry experts who present curriculum in areas like finance and digital literacy, STEM, workforce development, college preparedness, health, and more. In addition, we have morning and afternoon keynotes by inspiring leaders from various backgrounds.

If you are a young woman who lives in the Twin Cities area and are serious about your future and looking for an opportunity to receive useful school, work, and life skills, then you do not want to miss this FREE Summit! Join us on October 29th and take the first step on your PowHERful™ journey!

Registration is open. Registration works on a first come, first serve basis so we recommend that you register online ASAP. Your young women can sign up to attend here: <https://powherfulminneapolis.eventbrite.com>

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What do you call a visit day just for senior girls interested in computing? Crazy smart! Women in Computing Visit Day Friday, October 28, 2016 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Registrations are due Monday, October 24th. Learn more and register here: <http://www.mtu.edu/admissions/computing/>

During our Women in Computing Visit Day, students will spend entire day at Michigan Technological University exploring the power of computing. They'll program a virtual reality scene, build a working heart rate monitor, make their own holograms, and control a robot. Plus, they'll hear from current students and discover more about our degree programs in computer science, computer engineering, electrical engineering, and software engineering.

Testing Information

ACT

It is recommended that you take the **ACT + writing**. Have your scores sent directly to colleges when you register. It is FREE to send to colleges at registration. If you need to send scores later you will pay \$12 per college. Register at www.actstudent.org. Students will also need to upload a photo when they register. That photo will be printed on the student's test admission ticket and the roster provided to proctors at testing sites. Testing staff will compare the submitted photo to a photo ID and to the student in person at the testing site. Don't forget to upload the photo, and to bring an ID with you on testing day!

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Period
DECEMBER 10, 2016	NOVEMBER 4, 2016	NOVEMBER 5 – 18
FEBRUARY 11, 2017	JANUARY 13, 2017	JANUARY 14 – 20
APRIL 8, 2017 <small>(not recommended for JRS, as you will take it here at school on April 19th)</small>	MARCH 3, 2017	MARCH 4 - 17
JUNE 10, 2017	MAY 5, 2017	MAY 6 - 19

SAT

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Period
November 5, 2016	October 7, 2016	ends October 25
December 3, 2016	November 3, 2016	ends November 22

District 279 Community Education will again be offering low cost ACT prep classes! Check for scheduled classes at: <https://osseo.thatscommunityed.com/> and search ACT Prep. CRC also has info on private tutors.

Free preparation for the ACT available in CRC, contains full-length practice tests, including writing, information about optional writing test, strategies to prepare for the tests, and what to expect on test day. Read this booklet carefully and take the practice tests well before test day so you will be familiar with the tests, what they measure, and the strategies you can use to do your best on test day. Additional ACT preparation material can be ordered at www.actstudent.org/testprep

You can also review for the test independently. Free sample questions are available at www.actstudent.org/sampletest and at <http://sat.collegeboard.org/practice/sat-practice-test>

You can take a **free ACT or SAT practice** test online at: www.PrincetonReview.com/PracticeTest

Online test prep services. There are lots of online resources that are free or modestly priced for prepping for the tests: 1) [Grockit](http://Grockit.com), 2) Number2.com, 3) [ePrep](http://ePrep.com).

ACT Helpful Websites: College Readiness

Standards and Sample Test Question <http://www.act.org/standard/instruct/index.html>

Essay View <http://www.act.org/essayview/index.html>

Parent Resources <http://www.act.org/path/parent> , ACT Question of the Site: <http://www.actstudent.org/qotd/>

Student Athletes!

NCAA Clearinghouse: http://eligibilitycenter.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.html

The Transcript “Walk Thru” A coach can pursue you avidly, but nothing is solid until your transcript and test scores get put in front of admission officer. This usually happens before you are invited for an official visit. So get your transcript and SAT/ACT scores to the coach early for a walk through.

Please request an unofficial transcript through our new online electronic system and keep that copy in your files to duplicate as you need for athletic coaches and your visits. **Remember to allow plenty of time for transcripts to be processed, even with the electronic system. You will be responsible for faxing or mailing transcripts for your coaches.**

*When student-athletes register for the ACT, please use the **NCAA Eligibility Center code of 9999**. This will ensure the test score(s) come directly to us. Student-athletes who don't use the 9999 will need to pay to have the score sent later in the process. Remember that we cannot take ACT or SAT scores from transcript.

Military:

Military: Did you know that we have representatives from the military available each month in the cafeteria, to answer questions? If you would like to meet with these representatives outside of the lunch hour, you can also stop in to the CRC and arrange to use our space before or after school.

Military Academies -- Students interested in petitioning for appointment to one of the academies can find specific admission requirements and steps about each of the academies by visiting their websites. Those links are provided below.

US Military Academy -- (USMA) in West Point, New York <http://www.usma.edu/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Naval Academy -- (USNA) in Annapolis, Maryland <http://www.usna.edu/homepage.php>

Coast Guard Academy -- (USCGA) in New London, Connecticut <http://www.cga.edu/admissions/>

Air Force Academy -- (USAFA) in Colorado Springs, Colorado <http://www.academyadmissions.com/>

Merchant Marine Academy -- (USMMA) in Kings Point, New York <http://www.usmma.edu/>