

Jesuit High School Freshman / Sophomore Parent Counselor Night

September 16, 2025

Counseling Department

Mrs. Amanda Smith, *Director*

Mrs. Kasey Cardinale, Wellness Counselor

Mrs. Katrina Fox, Wellness Counselor

Mrs. Jocelyn Eaton, Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Sara Alvarez

Mrs. Angela Harger

Ms. Jennifer Rasmussen

Mrs. Gianna Wheeler

Counselor Caseloads

With a few exceptions, assignments for the 2025-2026 school year are as follows:

Freshmen

Adjei – Brauer: Mrs. Smith

Broderick – Goteti: Ms. Rasmussen

Graves – Macdonald: Mrs. Harger

Macko – Salazar: Mrs. Wheeler

Santiago – Zelalem: Mrs. Alvarez

Sophomores

Aizenberg – Blum: Mrs. Smith

Bradley – Hancock: Ms. Rasmussen

Hannon – Mastagni: Mrs. Harger

Mathios – Rios: Mrs. Wheeler

Rivera – Ziegler: Mrs. Alvarez

Evening Overview

- JESUIT COUNSELING PROGRAM
- WELLNESS
- ACADEMIC PLANNING
- FUTURE PLANNING
- Q&A



Counseling at Jesuit High School

- Counseling is part of your student's curriculum all four years.
- Building relationships and community are important part of our work together.
- Students will have time to connect in individual appointments, small group meetings, Collaboration periods, and Community periods.
- Counselors are here to support our students academically, socially, emotionally, and guide them through their college search and application process.
- Our doors are open to any student they are encouraged to initiate counseling appointments or simply drop by!

A few things you should know...

- Collaboration Periods & Community Periods
- How student appointments are made
- How parents can best get a hold of their student's counselor
- Read the Counseling Newsletters & Weekly Update Communications
- Counseling and College Planning Google Classrooms
- Parent Portal Counseling and College Planning
- Check the School Calendar (online most up to date)



Important Dates of Note

- > 1st Quarter end of grading period: October 10, 2025
- > Parent/Teacher Conferences: October 23, 2025
- > 1st Semester Finals: December 17-19, 2025
- > Planning courses for Soph & Junior year: **Spring 2026**
- 3rd Quarter end of grading period: March 6, 2026
- > 2nd Semester Finals: May 18-20, 2026

Wellness at Jesuit

Presented by Kasey Cardinale, MFT & Katrina Fox, AMFT



Wellness at Jesuit High School

- Resource to Counselors: Wellness Check
- Awareness and Prevention Weeks: ex. NSPW 2025
- TeamCARE Club
- Small Groups
- Community Referrals





Most powerful ways you can help your son manage stress:

- EVERYONE HAS MENTAL HEALTH.
- EUSTRESS VS. DISTRESS.
- PRACTICE THESE STEPS YOURSELF.
- MODEL THESE STRATEGIES AND DESCRIBE IN THE MOMENT.
- IF APPROPRIATE, INVITE THEM TO JOIN YOU.



Academic Planning

Presented by Angela Harger & Gianna Wheeler



Sophomore Schedule

1st SEMESTER

- 1. English 2 or H
- 2. World Language
- 3. Mathematics
- 4. Science
- 5. Human Geography or AP
- 6. Theology 2A/2B
- 7. PE* (1 Semester)/ VPA / Project based class or Flex

2nd SEMESTER

- 1. English 2 or H
- 2. World Language
- 3. Mathematics
- 4. Science
- 5. Human Geography or AP
- 6. Theology 2A/2B
- 7. PE* (1 Semester)/ VPA / Project based class or Flex

Summer School Options: Geometry XL, Chemistry, Human Geography *After Freshman year, TWO seasons of a sport or marching band may waive a PE course

Junior Schedule

1st SEMESTER

- 1. English 3 or AP
- 2. World Language
- 3. Mathematics
- 4. Science
- 5. US History or AP
- 6. Theology 3A/3B
- 7. VPA / Project based class / PE or Flex

2nd SEMESTER

- 1. English 3 or AP
- 2. World Language
- 3. Mathematics
- 4. Science
- 5. US History or AP
- 6. Theology 3A/3B
- 7. VPA / Project based class / PE or Flex

Summer School Options: Chemistry, Physics, US History, Pre-Calculus

Senior Schedule

1st SEMESTER

- English electives or AP
- 2. World Language
- 3. Mathematics
- 4. Science
- 5. Social Science Electives
- 6. Theology 4/Electives
- 7. VPA / Project based class / PE or Flex

2nd SEMESTER

- English electives or AP
- 2. World Language
- Mathematics
- 4. Science
- 5. Social Science Electives
- 6. Theology 4/Electives
- 7. VPA / Project based class / PE or Flex

Placement Requirements for AP/H/XL

- Requirements for eligibility consideration vary by department; all placements are reviewed and determined by the academic departments
- Review the Course Catalog when it's released in
 December for course descriptions and prerequisites



Unique Academic Opportunities at Jesuit

- → AP Seminar + AP Research = AP Capstone Certificate or AP Capstone Diploma
 - ◆ Two year course sequence
 - A valuable program that enhances critical thinking, research, and presentation skills, helping students prepare for college-level work.
- Computer Science
 - ◆ AP & Honors level coursework available to demonstrate competency in computer science
- → Visual Performing Arts
 - ◆ St. Catherine of Bologna Award for four years of art
- Seal of Biliteracy
 - Opportunity for students who reach the fourth level of a world language. Designation posted on high school transcript

Why Take Summer School?

Two Reasons to Take Summer School at JHS:

 Advance in Math: Geometry and Precalculus only can be taken during Summer. Algebra 2 is for remediation only.

2. Open up space in schedule:

Applicable classes are Chemistry, Human Geography, US History, and Physics. Allows students to create room for an Elective.



Academic Support

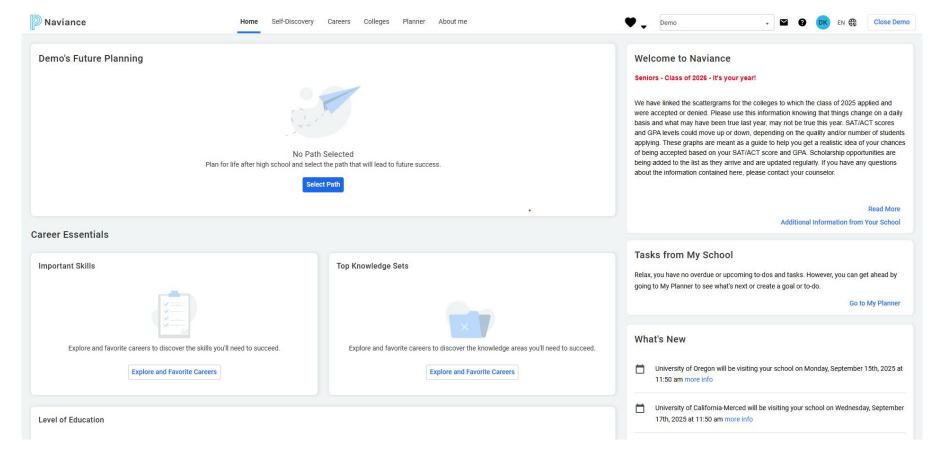
- Community Periods, also known as Office Hours, are the best way to receive help.
 - Most every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:00-3:00.
- > JHS Wellness Counseling
- Outside Tutoring Resources
- If you have concerns about your son's learning, please contact his counselor.

Future Planning

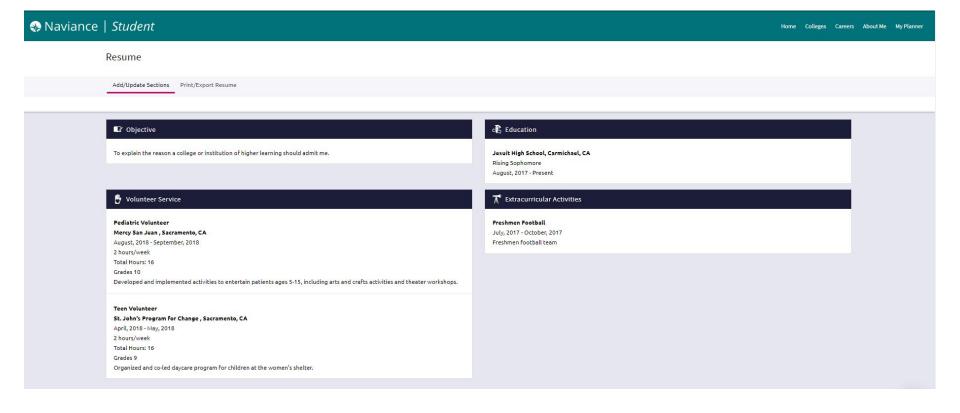
Presented by Jennifer Rasmussen



Naviance Student



Naviance Student Resume



Naviance: Self Discovery



Self-Discovery Careers Colleges









Close Demo

Self Discovery

Let's get started.

It looks like you haven't done any assessments yet. By taking Naviance assessments you'll get to know yourself better. Here are assessments that are available for you to take now.

AchieveWorks Intelligences®

Career Cluster Finder



Intelligence comes in many forms. AchieveWorks Intelligences® helps you uncover your different intelligences and how to leverage them.

Start Assessment

Career Interest Profiler



The Career Cluster Finder helps you identify your interests and discover career clusters that contain careers that might interest you.

AchieveWorks Learning and Productivity®



Discover your sensory, environmental and mindset preferences to help develop and adjust your study practices.

Start Assessment



The Career Interest Profiler captures your interests to help identify your personality traits and suggests careers based on the U.S. Department of Labor's data.

AchieveWorks Personality®



AchieveWorks Personality® helps you identify your personality type by asking you to choose scenarios that best represent how you behave in real life.

Start Assessment

Strengths Explorer®



Strengths Explorer® helps you identify your key strengths that you can use as you proceed on your college, career and life readiness journey.

AchieveWorks Skills®



AchieveWorks Skills® helps you identify and develop your skills and connects your skills to careers that might interest you.

Start Assessment



Naviance: Explore Careers



Accountants and Auditors

Examine, analyze, and interpret accounting records to prepare financial statements, give advice, or audit and evaluate statements prepared by others...

- Education 4 Year College
- Median Salary \$71,550
 - C Favorite



Actors

Play parts in stage, television, radio, video, or film productions, or other settings for entertainment, information, or instruction. Interpret serious or co...

- Education
 High School Diploma
- Median Salary \$42,494
 - Favorite



Actuaries

Analyze statistical data, such as mortality, accident, sickness, disability, and retirement rates and construct probability tables to forecast risk a...

- Education
 4 Year College
- Median Salary \$108,350
 - Favorite



Acupuncturists

Diagnose, treat, and prevent disorders by stimulating specific acupuncture points within the body using acupuncture needles. May also use cu...

- Education

 Graduate/ Professional
- Median Salary \$75,640
 - Favorite



Acute Care Nurses

Provide advanced nursing care for patients with acute conditions such as heart attacks, respiratory distress syndrome, or shock. May care for pre- an...

- Education

 2 Year College
- Median Salary \$73,300
 - O Favorite



Adapted Physical Education Specialists

Provide individualized physical education instruction or services to children, youth, or adults with exceptional physical needs due to gross mot...

- Education

 Graduate/ Professional
- Median Salary \$61,190



Adhesive Bonding Machine Operators...

Operate or tend bonding machines that use adhesives to join items for further processing or to form a completed product. Processes include join...

- Education High School Diploma
- Median Salary \$34,340



Administrative Law Judges, Adjudicat...

Conduct hearings to recommend or make decisions on claims concerning government programs or other government-related matters. D...

- Graduate/ Professional
- Median Salary \$97,870



Administrative Services Managers

Plan, direct, or coordinate one or more administrative services of an organization, such as records and information management, mail distri....

- Education 2 Year College
- Median Salary \$96,940



Adult Basic Education, Adult Seconda...

Teach or instruct out-of-school youths and adults in basic education, literacy, or English as a Second Language classes, or in classes for earning a high 13

- Education
 4 Year College
- Median Salary

your is created by what you do today not tomorrow.





According to the National Association for College Admission Counseling:

"A student's high school record continues to be the most important factor in college admission decisions for prospective first-time freshmen."

"Year to year, we find that getting good grades in challenging courses is what college admission offices value most when reviewing applications."

Understanding the Academic Record

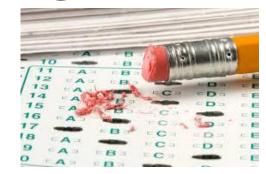
- Weighted and Unweighted GPA
- CSU and UC GPA
- Appropriate Rigor



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Standardized Testing

- → Sophomores: Optional PSAT 10 (Spring 2026)
- Juniors: Digital PSAT (Fall 2025)



We encourage students to take SAT/ACT early spring of their junior year.

*SAT/ACT Practice Tests are offered by the Counseling Department in the winter. Current sophomores should consult with their counselor before registering.

Extracurricular Activities

Freshman

- * Join several clubs
- * Participate in different types of activities
- * Pursue opportunities to help discover interests and passions

Sophomore

- * Begin to narrow down clubs
- * Identify potential leadership opportunities
- * Consider starting your own organization

Junior

- * Pursue leadership in your activities
- * Possible internships, job shadowing, summer enrichment programs

Senior

- * Continue to show leadership roles in activities
- * Demonstrate interest in future major by activity involvement
- * Depth, not breadth is what's important!

What's important now?



Focus on academics, extracurricular involvement, and being a Man for Others

Be In the Know

The following are great resources to use throughout your son's high school journey:



- Parent Counselor Portal
- Counseling Newsletter
- → Weekly Update
- Student's Google Classroom
- Counseling Page on the JHS Website
- College Fair: October 9th at CB

Questions?

Please type any questions you may have in the Q&A area.

Thank you for attending our event!