

# SENIOR ACTIVITIES 2019-2020

9/5	Senior Sunrise	4/1	Conferences 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
9/24	Class Meeting	4/2	Conferences 7:15 am to 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 5:30
10/1	Baby Ads Due to the Bookkeeper	4/6-4/10	Spring Break
10/1	Senior Pictures Due to Yearbook; email to annie.green@sno.wednet.edu	4/14	Senior cap, gown, and announcement delivery at lunch
10/10	Senior Parent Night	4/22	Dads and Dessert
10/14-10/18	Homecoming Week	5/4-5/15	AP Testing Window
10/19	Homecoming Dance	5/8	Senior Mother Tea
10/23	Conferences 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	5/23	Senior Prom at MoPop
10/24	Conferences 7:15 am to 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 5:30	5/21	Senior Class Photo
11/5	Class Meeting with Jostens	5/28	Senior Awards Night
11/27	Club Photos	5/29	Senior Community Service Due
11/27	Early Dismissal/Thanksgiving Break	5/29	Yearbook Distribution
12/5	Lip-Sync Battle	6/2	Senior vs. Staff Basketball Game
12/20	Early Dismissal/Winter Break	6/3	Senior Checkout
1/9	Hypnotist Fundraiser	6/3	Senior Farewell Assembly
1/11	Hypnotist Fundraiser	6/4	Senior Brunch
1/24	Senior Debate	6/5	Senior Cruise
1/24	End of Semester	6/7	Baccalaureate
1/25	Tolo Dance	6/8	Graduation Practice 8:00 am to 10:00 am @ The Everett Event Center
2/14-2/17	Mid-Winter Break	6/8	Graduation 7:30 @ The Everett Event Center
3/17	Class Meeting	6/8	Parent-Sponsored Senior All Night Party

Sign up for the 2019 Senior Class Remind account by texting @2020gphs to 81010 or follow on Instagram 2020gphs

# PREPARING FOR COLLEGE: SENIOR CHECKLIST

## AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

- **Register for the SAT and/or ACT.** Your counselor can help you with fee waivers if needed.
- **Take a look at some college applications** and consider all of the different pieces of information you will need to compile to complete them.
- **Visit your school counselor to make sure you are on-track to graduate** and fulfill college admission requirements.
- **Take every opportunity to get to know colleges.** Meet with college representatives who visit your high school in the fall, attend local college fairs, and visit campuses if possible.
- **Narrow down your list of potential colleges** and begin to consider “reach,” “target,” and “safety” schools. Make sure you have the application and financial aid information for each school.
- **Create a checklist and calendar to chart:** a) Standardized test dates, registration deadlines, and fees. b) College application due dates. c) Financial aid application forms and deadlines. d) Other materials you’ll need for college applications (recommendations, transcripts, essays, etc.).
- **Use WOIS as a research tool** – website: [www.wois.org](http://www.wois.org) 2019-20 site key: TTA885

## OCTOBER

- **File the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or WASFA (Washington Application for State Financial Aid).** The sooner you complete your financial aid application, the more aid you could potentially receive from colleges. For information about the FAFSA, go to [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). Eligible students without legal immigration status can get more information and apply for the WASFA at [readysatgrad.org/wasfa](http://readysatgrad.org/wasfa).
- **Ask your counselor to help you request a fee waiver** if you cannot afford the application fees that many colleges charge.
- **Finalize your college essay.** Many schools require that you submit at least one essay with your application.
- **Request personal recommendations from teachers, school counselors, or employers.** Use the Request for Letter of Recommendation form on the counseling website.
- **Research scholarships.** Ask your counselor, colleges, and religious and civic groups about scholarship opportunities. Keep your [thewashboard.org](http://thewashboard.org) profile updated and keep applying for scholarships. Remember, you should never pay for scholarship searches or information.
- **Start planning your Community Service** – 8 hours due May 29

## NOVEMBER

- **Attend the National College Fair in Seattle** (sign up for the field trip in the Career Center)
- **Consider taking the ASVAB.**
- **Some colleges will have deadlines as early as this month.** Look up the deadlines for the schools to which you want to apply. They can be found on their website.
- **Finalize and send applications due this month.** Have a parent, teacher, counselor, or other adult review the application before it is submitted.
- **Every college will require a copy of your transcript from your high school.** Contact the Career Center or your Counselor. They can also provide GPA and class rank if needed.
- **Make sure testing companies (ACT or SAT) sent your scores directly to the colleges** to which you are applying.

## DECEMBER

- **Many popular or selective colleges have application deadlines as early as January 1.** Others have deadlines later in January and February. Keep track of and observe deadlines for sending in all required fees and paperwork.
- **Register for the January SAT (if needed).** It is the last one most colleges will consider for a senior.
- **The Local Scholarship Notebook becomes available.** Use your winter break wisely and start working on your application.

## JANUARY

- **Ask your high school in January to send first semester transcripts to the colleges to which you applied.** At the end of the school year, they will need to send final transcripts to the college you will attend.
- **Apply for scholarships.** Ask your counselor, colleges, and religious and civic groups about scholarship opportunities. Keep your [thewashboard.org](http://thewashboard.org) profile updated and keep applying for scholarships. Remember, you should never pay for scholarship searches or information.

## FEBRUARY/MARCH/APRIL

- **No Senioritis!** Even if you've already submitted most of your applications, don't slack in the classroom. The college that you choose to attend will want to see your second semester transcript.
- **Acceptance letters and financial aid offers will start to arrive.** Review your acceptances, compare financial aid packages, and visit your final choices, especially if you haven't already.
- **Local Scholarship Notebook is due in February**
- **Apply for Community Colleges or Tech Schools**
- **Apply for Apprenticeships**
- **Apply for summer internships/experiences or jobs.**

## MAY

- **In most cases, the college you plan to attend requires a commitment and deposit by May 1.** When you've made your college decision, notify your counselor and the college. If you've been offered financial aid, accept the offer and follow the instructions given. Also notify the colleges you will not attend of your decision.
- **Make sure that you have requested that your final high school transcript be sent to the school you will be attending. Also, send College in the HS and Running Start official transcripts**
- **If you are waitlisted by a college you really want to attend, visit, call, and write.** Ask how you can strengthen your application and make your interest clear to the admissions office.

## SUMMER

- **Summer jobs** can help pay some of your college expenses and give you great career preparation.
- **If you are going to live on campus, make a list of what you will need to take with you for your dorm room.** Check your college's "Housing" or "Residence Life" webpage for further information. **You will most likely get a roommate assignment** from your college. Call, write, or email to get acquainted.
- **Some colleges offer a summer orientation/registration.** Attend to meet fellow students and other people on campus, and to familiarize yourself with your new school. This is often when you will sign up for your fall courses.
- **If commuting, find out how to get a parking permit if needed.** After you register for classes, you may want to map out your classes to find the nearest parking lots.



# GPHS SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE VERIFICATION FORM



This form is required for all students.

Submit to Mr. May (room 201) by May 29<sup>th</sup>

For more information, visit [www.sno.wednet.edu/domain/1060](http://www.sno.wednet.edu/domain/1060)

### Section 1: Student and parent complete the following prior to going to the organization:

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Parental Consent:** I believe this project is an appropriate activity for my son/daughter to complete in fulfilling their community service graduation requirement. I understand and agree that my son/daughter will participate under the supervision and direction of the organization/individual named below, and not by an individual working as an employee or staff member of Glacier Peak High School. Glacier Peak High School and the Snohomish School District are not liable for injuries sustained while performing community service.

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the organization: a) listed on our pre-approved list, b) posted on our website/bulletin, or c) a non-profit 501c3?  
\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No (if none of the above, you must complete a permission form prior to doing the service)

### Section 2: To be completed by the organization supervisor:

Name of Organization Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Supervisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates and times of community service hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Hours Verified by Organization Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note to Organization:** The purpose of Community Service is for the student to experience the community through its service organizations. Although there is a minimum of eight hours required, additional time requirements and expectations will be left up the individual organization. Glacier Peak High School would like the student to experience and gain exposure to the workings of your particular service.

### Section 3: Students complete the following after you have returned from the organization:

What did you do while volunteering? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Why did you choose this project? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Describe how the community benefited from the activities you performed while volunteering:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I verify that I have completed the community service as stated above:

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Glacier Peak High School  
Request for Letter of Recommendation Form**

- To help your counselor or teacher write an engaging, honest and personal letter, please answer all questions as completely as you can. Include details, examples and descriptions as much as possible.
- Give the letter writer at least 2 weeks prior to the application due date to complete your letter
- Remember: Public Universities in Washington do not need letters of recommendations. Do not request a letter unless it is specifically part of your application.

**Student Name:**

**Student Email/Phone Number:**

**Date Requested:**

**Date needed:**

**What is the purpose of this letter (check all that apply)**      College  Scholarship  Job

**Student Responses (feel free to attach responses to a separate sheet of paper):**

Describe your college/career plans. What are your personal and professional goals?

List advanced courses which you have completed or in which you are currently enrolled (i.e., AP courses, Math, Physics, etc...)

Describe your participation in clubs, activities, sports, volunteer experience, and/or student government (school and community). Please include grade levels or dates and offices held.

List any awards and/or honors you have received and explain why you have received them.

List any hobbies or special interests:

Choose one of your experiences from your volunteer, work or extracurricular activities and explain how it helped direct your college or professional goals.

List three adjectives that best describe you and give examples.

Is there anything you would like your counselor/teacher to consider when writing your letter?

**Optional Information:**

What are your biggest strengths? Give examples that illustrate these strengths. What is your biggest weakness? why?

What are you passionate about? How does this relate to your chosen field of study?

**Family Responses:**

Please share something significant about your child that we would likely not see at school.

What would you describe as your child's strengths? How do these strengths show up in your household/day-to-day life?

Is there anything you would like us to know or consider about your child when writing their letter of recommendation?

## Admission Fees and Deadlines to Public Baccalaureates for Freshmen Starting in Fall 2019

College/University Admissions Contact	Application Deadline	Application Fee	SAT Code	ACT Code	FAFSA Priority, School Code
Central Washington University 400 East University Way Ellensburg WA 98926-7463 www.cwu.edu/admissions admissions@cwu.edu 509.963.1211	February 1	\$50	4044	4444	February 1 Code: 003771
Eastern Washington University 304 Sutton Hall Cheney, WA 99004 application: ewu.edu/apply Website: ewu.edu/undergrad Online chat: ewu.edu/chat Phone: 509.359.2397	February 1 (priority date)	\$60	4301	4454	February 1 Code: 003775
The Evergreen State College 2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW Olympia, WA 98505 evergreen.edu/admissions admissions@evergreen.edu 360.867.6170	February 1 (priority date)	\$50	4292	4457	February 1 (priority date) Code: 008155
University of Washington Seattle, WA 95195 admit.uw.edu 206.543.9686	November 15	\$80 (\$90 for International)	4854	4484	January 15 Code: 003798
University of Washington Bothell Bothell, WA uwb.edu 425.352.5000	January 15	\$60 (\$75 for international)	4467	4497	January 15 Code: 003798
University of Washington Tacoma Tacoma, WA tacoma.uw.edu/admissions 253.692.4742	January 15	\$60 (\$75 for International)	4445	4493	January 15 Code: 003798
Washington State University Pullman, WA admissions.wsu.edu 888-GO-TO-WSU (888-468-6978)	January 31	\$50	4705	4482	January 31 Code: 003800
Washington State U. Tri-Cities Office of Admissions 2710 Crimson Way Richland, Washington tricity.wsu.edu/admission 509-372-7250	January 31	\$50	4705	4482	January 31 Code: 003800
WSU Vancouver 14204 NE Salmon Creek Ave Vancouver, WA 98686 Vancouver.wsu.edu/admissions admissions@vancouver.wsu.edu 360-546-9779	January 31 (priority date)	\$50	4705	4482	January 31 Code: 003800
Western Washington University 516 High Street Bellingham, WA 98225-9009 admissions.wvu.edu admissions.wvu.edu/connect (360) 650-3440	Early Action November 1 Regular January 31	\$60	4947	4490	January 31 Code: 003802

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College/University Admissions Contact	Application Deadline	Application Fee	SAT Code	ACT Code	FAFSA Priority, School Code
Bastyr University Kenmore, WA bastyr.edu 425.602.3000	February 1	\$60, fee waived if student visits campus	N/A	N/A	April 15 Code: 016059
Cornish College of the Arts Seattle, WA cornish.edu 206.726.5016	Dec 1 Feb 15 After Feb 15	Dec 1, \$20 Feb 15, \$40 After Feb 15, \$60	4801	4501	February 15 Code: 012315
Gonzaga University Spokane, WA gonzaga.edu 509.313.6572	Nov 15 Early Action Feb 1 Regular Pool	\$50	4330	4008	February 1 Code: 003778
Heritage University Toppenish, WA heritage.edu 509.865.8508	None	FREE	4344	4462	February 10 003777
Northwest University Kirkland, WA northwestu.edu 866.327.0264	Rolling Admission; Early Action: Nov 15, Jan 15; Regular: August 1	\$30 (free before November 15 <sup>th</sup> )	4541	4466	December 1 (Priority) Code: 003783
Pacific Lutheran University Tacoma, WA plu.edu 253.535.7151	4 Priority Reading Dates: Oct. 15, Nov. 15, Dec. 15, Jan. 15 (Rolling)	FREE	4597	4470	December 1 (priority deadline) Code: 003785
Saint Martin's University Lacey, WA smartin.edu 360.438.4596	Priority deadlines: Oct 15, Nov 1, Dec 1, Feb 1, Mar 1, Apr 1	\$0	4674	4474	January 1 (priority deadline) Code:003794
Seattle University Seattle, WA seattleu.edu 206.220.8040	Early Action: Nov 15 Regular: Jan 15	\$55	4695	4478	February 1 Code: 003790
Seattle Pacific University Seattle, WA spu.edu 206.281.2021	Early Action: Nov 1 Regular: Jan 15	\$50	4694	4476	February 1 (priority deadline) Code: 003788
University of Puget Sound Tacoma, WA pugetsound.edu 253.879.3211	Early Action/Decision: Nov 15; Regular: Jan 15	\$60	4067	4450	January 15 Code: 003797
Walla Walla University College Place, WA wallawalla.edu 800.541.8900	Rolling	\$40	4940	4486	April 30 Code: 003799
Whitman College Walla Walla, WA whitman.edu 509.527.5176	Nov 15 for ED I Jan 1 for ED II Jan 15 for Regular	\$50 (waived for Regular if submitted by December 1)	4951	4492	See website Code: 003803
Whitworth University Spokane, WA whitworth.edu 509.777.4786	Nov 15 (Early Action I) Jan 15 (Early Action II) March 1 (Regular)	\$0	4953	4494	Early Awarding (Recommended) Dec 1 Code: 003804

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## Where Should I Look for a Scholarship?

Start with these top suggestions (in no particular order):

1. Local Scholarship Notebook (opens in December see GPHS Career Center Website for last year's scholarships and their requirements)
2. TheWashboard.org. A scholarship matching search engine for Washington residents.
3. The institution you will be applying to or attending. All schools have a financial aid/scholarship tab on their website. There are scholarships for applying, visiting, GPA, etc.
4. Your employer/parents' employer (including any clubs or organizations you or they belong to).
5. National Search Engine such as bigfuture.com, fastweb.com, scholarship.com
6. GPHS College and Career Center website for specific scholarships sorted by deadline month and links to other scholarship search engines.

Helpful tips: Any of the scholarship search engines will require you to check back frequently for new scholarships. When you search, if you are not returning a lot of scholarships reevaluate the search criteria you entered.

File FAFSA! Many institutions will not award merit scholarships without a FAFSA on file.

# Helpful Student & Parent Resources

## College and Career Planning:

- WOIS – College and career searches. Great resource for all students. Website: [www.WOIS.org](http://www.WOIS.org). Site Key is TTA885
- Washington State GEAR UP: [www.gearup.wa.gov/resources](http://www.gearup.wa.gov/resources)
- Check out a College – Community and Technical Colleges of Washington State. Explore colleges, programs, and careers. Website: [www.checkoutacollege.com](http://www.checkoutacollege.com)
- Career Bridge – Explore possible careers, view job trends, find job trainings. Website: [www.careerbridge.wa.gov](http://www.careerbridge.wa.gov)
- Apprenticeships – Learn a trade from a skilled employer. Website: [www.lni.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship/](http://www.lni.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship/)
- Ready Set Grad! - A great program that helps students (6<sup>th</sup> grade – college) and parents navigate the high school/college process and beyond. Website: <http://readyssetgrad.org/>
- Glacier Peak High School College and Career Center website: [www.sno.wednet.edu/gphscareercenter](http://www.sno.wednet.edu/gphscareercenter)
- Junior Senior Handbook: <https://readyssetgrad.wa.gov/sites/default/files/junior.senior.student.workbook.pdf>

## College Entrance Exams:

- SAT – The SAT measures general verbal and quantitative reasoning. Tests your Reading, Writing, and Math skills. Website: <https://sat.collegeboard.org>
- ACT – The ACT is an achievement test, measuring what a student has learned in school. Tests your English, Math, Reading, Science (and optional Writing). Website: <http://www.actstudent.org/>

## Financial Aid / Scholarships:

- FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) – Many schools will not award scholarships until they know you have completed FAFSA, even when the scholarship is . Available October 1. Financial aid analysis / Expected family contribution. Available resources: Low interest student loans, Work Study, and Grants. Website: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>
- General Information on Federal Student Aid – Website: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>
- Scholarships Search – Free scholarship search databases:
  - The WashBoard – Connects Washington students with Washington scholarship providers. Website: <http://thewashboard.org>
  - Other free national scholarship databases: Fastweb.com; Scholarships.com; bigfuture.collegeboard.org
- Local Scholarship Notebook – Scholarships just for Glacier Peak High School seniors. Information and Resources on Career Center webpage: <https://www.sno.wednet.edu/gphscareercenter>
- Institutional Scholarships – Contact the financial aid office of the post-secondary college you plan on attending.