



# **Postsecondary Resources**



# Outcomes

- Families will know what postsecondary resources are available through Dist. 203
- Families will know how to best utilize SchoolLinks & ***NCompass***
- Families will know who to reach out to if they have postsecondary questions



# Postsecondary Resources





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# SchooLinks

- SchooLinks is our digital college & career readiness platform, used for grades 6-12
- Students & Parents can access [SchooLinks here](#)
- Parents/Guardians: If you have not set-up your SchooLinks Parent account, check out [this guide](#).




# SchoolLinks Resources

- **School Search Tool**: How to use the college/university search tool in SchoolLinks
- **Favorite Schools**: Add colleges/universities to your “favorites” list
- **College Visits**: How to access upcoming college visits in SchoolLinks
- **Scattergrams**: How to read & understand scattergram data within SchoolLinks
- **Planning Assessments**: Multiple assessments to help you better plan for your future
  - **Find Your Path**: Get suggested careers and college majors based on your personality.
  - **Would You Rather**: Choose your favorite activities to get career suggestions.
  - **Top Skills**: Discover your top skills and areas for improvement.
  - **Discover Your Campus Lifestyle**: What kind of lifestyle do you want to lead on your college campus?
- **Student Profile**: Use this section to keep track of your high school experiences, achievements, & more! This will help a LOT when completing college applications!
- **Finances**: This section will be more relevant during Senior year. But this is a great time to check out what financing & scholarship opportunities are out there, so you can plan accordingly for Senior year!
- **Experience Tracking**: This allows you to track your volunteer hours, which may be needed when completing college applications.





# SchoolLinks Walkthrough



STUDENT  
Home

- Home
- Student
- Explore
- Plan
- Engage
- Career
- College

Exit Student Demo X

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Here's what's happening 📌

Check out this Scholarship!

**Mary Willig Family Foundation Scholarship**

Deadline: December 31, 2025

💰 Elgin Community College

Check out this Scholarship!

**Master Gardener Scholarship**

Deadline: September 15, 2025

💰 Northeast Community College

Check out this Scholarship!


**Olga Archuleta Memorial Scholarship**

\$1,200

To Do List Events 122 Reminders My Team Survey/Forms Shared Notes

You do not have any To Dos yet

Get started by exploring the experiences below!



Discover Colleges

Acceptance Rate: 2%


Wellesley College



Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

Acceptance Rate: 1%

Swarthmore College

Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year









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The screenshot shows the 'STUDENT Home' interface. On the left is a yellow sidebar with icons and labels: 'SchooLinks' (S logo), 'Home' (house icon), 'Student' (person icon, circled in red), 'Explore' (compass icon), 'Plan' (book icon), 'Engage' (handshake icon), 'Career' (briefcase icon), and 'College' (building icon). The main content area has a header 'Here's what's happening' and a list of sections: 'Profile and Resume', 'Credential Wallet', and 'Scores and Performance'. Below these are two scholarship cards: 'Kaohsiung Scholarship' with a deadline of September 30, 2025, and 'Marc Whisnand Memorial Scholarship'. An orange callout box points to the 'Profile and Resume' section with the text: 'This is where students can keep track of their postsecondary goals & activities (this is incredibly helpful for the activities section on college applications!)'. Another orange callout box points to the 'Scores and Performance' section with the text: 'This is where students can view their GPA, as well as test scores (ACT, SAT & AP). NOTE: This is NOT accessible by colleges/universities'. The bottom of the screen shows a row of college cards for Wellesley College and Swarthmore College, and a map of Pennsylvania.

STUDENT Home

Here's what's happening

Profile and Resume

Credential Wallet

Scores and Performance

Check out this Scholarship!  
Kaohsiung Scholarship  
Deadline: September 30, 2025

University of West Florida

Check out this Scholarship!  
Marc Whisnand Memorial Scholarship

You do not have any To Dos yet  
Get started by exploring the experiences below!

Wellesley College  
Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

Swarthmore College  
Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

PENNSYLVANIA

This is where students can keep track of their postsecondary goals & activities (this is incredibly helpful for the activities section on college applications!).

This is where students can view their GPA, as well as test scores (ACT, SAT & AP).  
**NOTE:** This is **NOT** accessible by colleges/universities



# SchoolLinks Walkthrough

The screenshot displays the 'STUDENT Home' interface. On the left is a yellow sidebar with icons for Home, Student, Explore (highlighted with a red dashed circle), Plan, Engage, Career, and College. The main content area includes a 'Here's what's happeni' section with a scholarship announcement for Kane-Kendall Counties 592 Fort, an 'Assessments' link, a 'Learning Hub' link, and a 'Game of Life' link. Below these is a 'Scholarship' section with a deadline of September 1, 2025, featuring Colorado Mesa University. On the right, there's a 'Discover Colleges' section with cards for Wellesley College and Swarthmore College, and a map of Pennsylvania. Two orange callout boxes with arrows point to the 'Assessments' and 'Learning Hub' links, providing additional context.

**STUDENT Home**

Here's what's happeni

Check out this Scholarship!  
Kane-Kendall Counties 592 Fort

Assessments

Learning Hub

Game of Life

Scholarship  
Deadline: September 1, 2025

Colorado Mesa University

Discover Colleges

Wellesley College  
Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

Swarthmore College  
Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

Shared Notes

This is where students can complete career interest inventories, to help with career exploration & goal setting.

Students can find supplemental, self-paced lessons on career exploration, college search, and financial aid.



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STUDENT Home

Here's what's happening

Check out this Scholarship!  
Kane-Kendall Counties 592 Forty & Scholarshin

Goals

Get started by exploring the experiences below!

Course Planner

Course Catalog

District Pathways

Personalized Plan

Discover Courses

Home

Student

Explore

Plan

Engage

Career

College

Notifications

Help

Settings

Profile

Messages

Students can set postsecondary, career, college, & major goal (and quickly access supplemental information about those goals) in this section.

This is where students enter their course for the upcoming school year (November).

This is where students can find course descriptions, prerequisites, and additional information (such as [Dual Credit](#) or [TCD](#)).

This is where students can learn more about District [Pathways & Diploma Endorsements](#).



# SchooLinks Walkthrough

The screenshot shows the SchooLinks Course Catalog interface. On the left is a yellow sidebar with icons and labels: Home, Student, Explore, Plan (highlighted with a red starburst), Engage, Career, and College. The main content area is titled 'PLAN Course Catalog' and includes a header 'Powered by SchooLinks A Modern College & Career Readiness Platform'. Below this, it shows 'Naperville School District 203' and a 'School Level' dropdown menu set to 'District-wide'. The main content area lists several options: Events, Opportunity Board, Experience Tracking, and Programs. Three orange callout boxes with arrows point to specific features: the first points to the 'Events' section, the second points to the 'Opportunity Board', and the third points to the 'Experience Tracking' section. The top right of the interface has a yellow bar with an 'Exit Student Demo' button, a user profile for 'Maurice Hurley', and several icons for navigation and notifications.

PLAN  
Course Catalog

Powered by SchooLinks  
A Modern College & Career Readiness Platform

Naperville School District 203

School Level  
District-wide

Events

Opportunity Board

Experience Tracking

Programs

Exit Student Demo X

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This is where students can see which colleges / universities are visiting NNHS this fall. This is only available to Soph. - Sen.


This is where students can find a variety of available opportunities: part-time employment; volunteer opportunities; and summer pre-college programs.

This is where students can track their service hours throughout their time in high school.







# SchooLinks Walkthrough



PLAN

## Course Catalog

Powered by  SchooLinks  
A Modern College & Career Readiness Platform

 Naperville School District 203

School Level  
District-wide

School  
All schools







Career Center

Employer Showcase

VR Workplace Tours

Exit Student Demo X

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## Career Pathways

College • Career • Life Ready

College, Career, and Life Ready in Naperville 203

Naperville 203 high schools offer students opportunities to explore a wide-variety of interest areas through our

This is where students can search for additional information regarding careers (filtered by degree level, career cluster, growing industries, etc.)

College and Career P...



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STUDENT Home

Here's what's happening

School Search

Favorites and Lists

Admission Stats

Final List

College Financing

Scholarship Matching

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Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

Swarthmore College  
Los Angeles, CA | Public, 4 Year

Pennsylvania

Students can search for colleges & universities, using a variety of filters to narrow their results.

Students can save lists of their favorite search results, making information quickly available. Students who favorite schools will also be notified of opportunities for that particular institution.

Seniors can use this section to find local scholarships vetted & posted by staff at NNHS & NCHS.



**NC**compass







## ***NCompass***

- Collaborative digital postsecondary planning guide, created by The PARCs at NNHS & NCHS
- Best of the best of both internal & external resources
- Provides resources & information for all postsecondary options: four-year college, community college, the trades, the military, and gap year programs



# NCompass Walkthrough

**NCompass**[Home](#)[Getting Started](#)[Postsecondary Options](#) ▾[Career Exploration](#) ▾[College Process](#) ▾[More](#) ▾




## NCompass

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**College Process**

**Paying for**

**Resources**



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NNHS Postsecondary Advising & Resource Center

NNHS Postsecondary Advising & Resource Center

## Student Checklists

Now is the time to ask questions about your future, visit colleges, and complete interest inventories. Each year you will have a discussion with your school counselor about your grades and course selection. And feel free to reach out to The PARC Staff throughout your time in high school.

The following checklists are just suggested timelines – each student is unique in their postsecondary search process, so not completing all steps by the times suggested in the checklists below **does not** mean that a student is behind. Please use these resources as a guide, to help think about steps that might otherwise get overlooked.

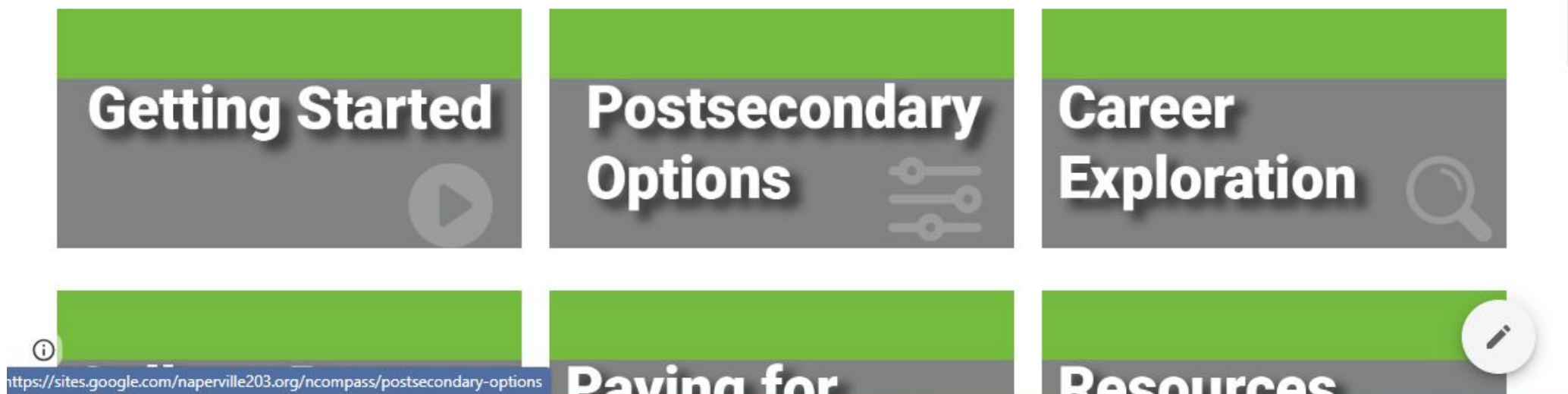
- [Freshman Year Checklist](#)
- [Sophomore Year Checklist](#)
- [Junior Year Checklist](#)
- [Senior Year Checklist](#)



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[Career Interest Inventory](#)[Resume Writing](#)[Interviewing Tips](#)[Soft Skills / Life Skills](#)[Job / Volunteer Board](#)

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<https://sites.google.com/naperville203.org/ncompass/career-exploration>


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SchoolLinks

Finding Your Fit

The College Application

College Tips


Standardized Testing

Unique Considerations

FAQs




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**Paying for**

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# ***Postsecondary Questions?***

Reach out to your student's School Counselor,  
or the College & Career Counselor, Mr. La Porte



# Additional Resources

**NCompass**

- [NCompass](#)  
Dist. 203 Postsecondary Planning Guide
- [In-School College Visits](#)  
Instructions on how students can attend in-school college visits
  - [Upcoming College Visits](#) (Calendar for the next week)
  - [Upcoming College Visits](#) (Alpha list of ALL upcoming visits)
- [On-Campus College Visit Tips](#)  
Tips for students planning to visit college campuses
- [Guide for College-Bound Athletes \(NCAA / NAIA\)](#)



**REMIND**

*Sign-up for the new NNHS Student Services Remind Group!*

**Text @nnhsdoss to 81010**



# Upcoming Opportunities

- **Sept. 13:** [NACAC National College Fair @ Navy Pier \(Chicago\)](#)  
A national college fair, featuring more than 200 colleges & universities from across the country.
- **Sept. 18:** [Technology Center DuPage Open House \(Addison\)](#)  
An opportunity for students & families to learn what TCD has to offer.
- **Oct. 14:** [Illinois Regional College Fair @ College of DuPage \(Glen Ellyn\)](#)  
Another college fair opportunity, bringing in additional colleges & universities from across the country.
- **Nov 6: 2nd Annual Career Takeover (NNHS)**  
An even more robust career exploration activity to help students in choosing classes for the upcoming school year!



# Next Sessions



## Evening Schedule

Room	Session 1 (6:00 - 6:35pm)	Session 2 (6:40 - 7:15pm)	Session 3 (7:20 - 7:55pm)
Large Cafe	Senior Year Overview	What's Next?	What's Next?
Small Cafe	Junior Timeline	Postsecondary Resources	Postsecondary Resources
Learning Commons	Sophomore Timeline	Counselor Connection (A - Lez)	Counselor Connection (Lf - Z)