

# Junior Meeting Parent Night

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Junior Handbook

# HHS

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# Objectives For Juniors

- ❑ Students will reflect and describe their hopes and dreams for their future and consider a 10 year goal related to their post-secondary education or career goals.
- ❑ Students will review and update their 4 year plan choosing courses to meet graduation requirements and courses that align to their post-secondary goals.
- ❑ Students will use critical thinking skills to make informed decisions and develop a post-high school action plan.
- ❑ Align with our district mission of “preparing students for tomorrow through and engaging and inclusive educational community today”

# Objectives For Families

- ❑ Families will understand resources for post secondary planning.
- ❑ Families will partner with Holmen High School staff to encourage ongoing conversation about career planning.
- ❑ Families will prioritize post secondary planning using the timeline given.

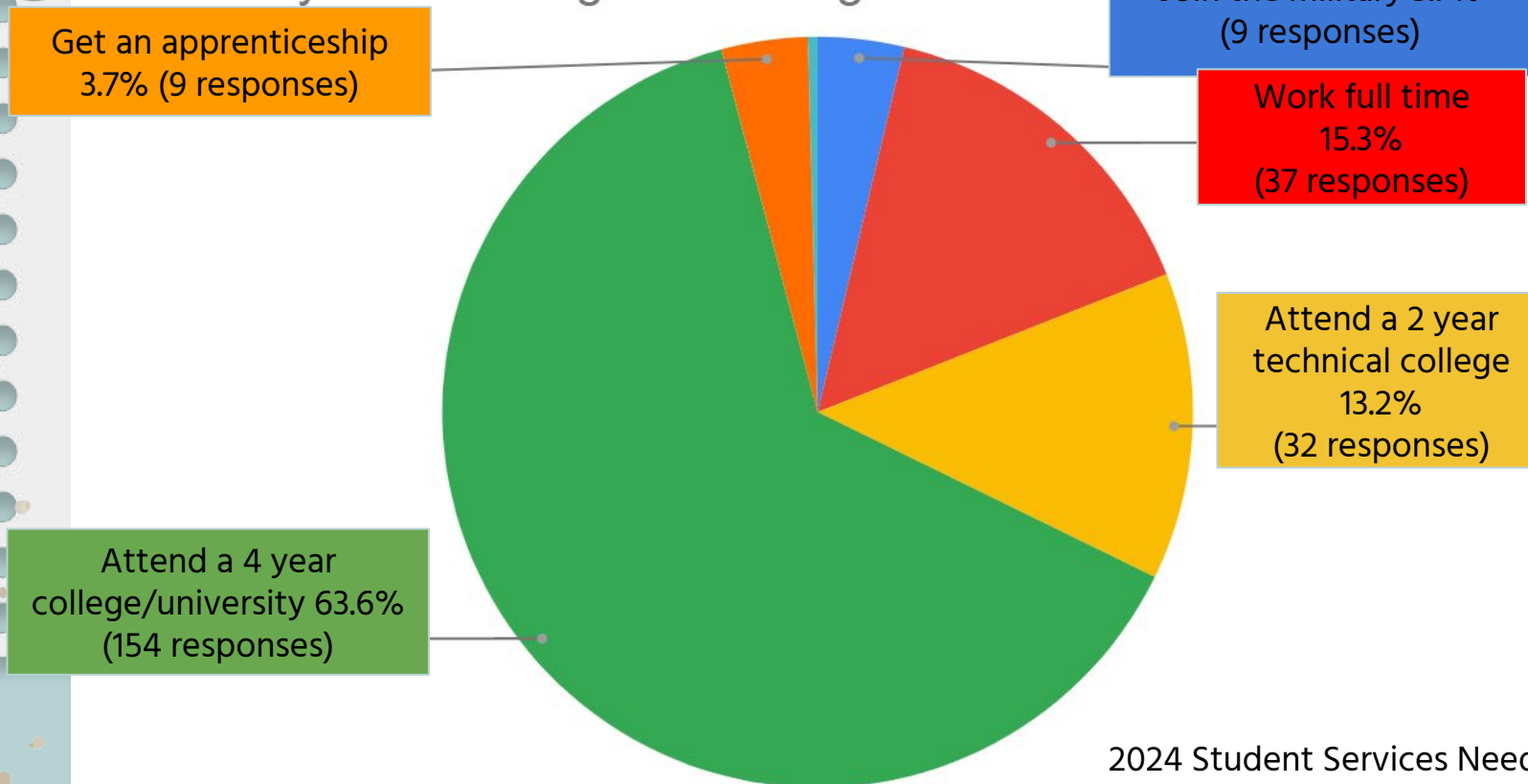
# Helpful Tips

- ❑ All junior resources are linked on the [Student Services Website](#)
- ❑ Eblast tomorrow with follow up and links
- ❑ (pg #) = Junior Handbook
- ❑ Emphasis on pg 3 & 4



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## What is your current goal after high school?



2024 Student Services Needs  
Assessment Data (Juniors)



# Winter of Junior Year

- ☐ Use resources to prepare for the ACT (pg 9)
- ☐ Give some thought to the types of schools that best fit your needs/interests & gather information
- ☐ Meet with college or military representatives that visit HHS (pg 14)
- ☐ Attend career exploration events, seek out youth apprenticeships, volunteering, or attend Trade Tuesdays during lunch (Check student email to see these opportunities.)



# Spring of Junior Year

- ❑ Use resources like [XELLO](#) or [Find Your UWs Tools](#) to help find schools (pg 7)
- ❑ [Compare and contrast](#) list of college choices and plan [campus visits](#) or job shadows (pg 17-18)
  - ❑ Allowed up to **2 school days** to use for Academic & Career Planning (ACP)
    - ❑ Send tour confirmation or documentation of a job shadow to our attendance email ([hhsattendance@holmen.k12.wi.us](mailto:hhsattendance@holmen.k12.wi.us))
- ❑ Complete ACT test at HHS with classmates **(March 19th, 2025)** (pg 9)
  - ❑ UW System schools- test optional through Summer 2027
  - ❑ Save copy of ACT ID after you receive your results (will need if sending scores to additional schools)
  - ❑ Some scholarships have ACT requirements
  - ❑ If waitlisted to a college, ACT scores are encouraged

# Spring of Junior Year



- ❑ Plan challenging curriculum for senior year
  - ❑ Some post-secondary institutions will not accept students who have senior releases or study halls in their senior year schedule - College & Career Ready
  - ❑ Allow for exploration within your course requests and align courses that match your career goals
  - ❑ AP, Transcribed or Dual Credit Classes (pg 10-12)
- ❑ Create a formal resume to have ready for job applications
- ❑ Create, save and update activities resume from Personal Finance (for HHS scholarships)
- ❑ Submit Start College Now or Early College Credit paperwork by **March 1 for fall / Oct. 1** for spring college classes





## Summer Between Junior and Senior Year

- ❑ End of July Direct Admit offer letters are sent out to students (pg 8)
- ❑ August 1 - November 1
  - ❑ Apply ONLINE to colleges of choice and observe deadlines
    - ❑ If using Common App, link XELLO account & see your counselor
  - ❑ Submit official transcript from XELLO
  - ❑ Application fee (Madison, UWL, and Eau Claire)




## Direct Admit

10 of the 13 UW universities review student academic records (high school courses and GPA) at the end of their junior year and make offers of admission to participating UW universities *without the need for students to submit a traditional admission application.*

- 4 units of English,
- 3 units of approved math (must have taken Algebra 2)
- 3 units of social science
- 3 units of natural science
- 4 additional academic units

**\*\*Can accept offers until May 1, 2025\*\***

Traditional applications will need to be completed for UW Madison, UW La Crosse, & UW Eau Claire



# Top 6 responses to: What career pathway are you interested in going into post high school?

Health Science: 68

Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM): 54


Undecided: 50

Business Management & Administration: 44

Human Services: 35

Marketing: 34

(Students could pick multiple interest areas)



# Seminar Junior Meetings

- Groupings are from the results of our Needs Assessment
- Meeting with students based on Career Cluster area of interest
  - Post-Secondary Goals
  - Strengths, talents, interests
  - Co-curricular & Volunteering Experience
  - Credit Check
  - XELLO for career and college searches
  - 4 year plan updates in XELLO
- Meetings have already started and will wrap by the end of January

# Parent/Guardian Help

- We send an email sharing your child participated in their junior seminar
  - Link to a screenshot of your child's 4 year plan
  - Lists your child's goals & interests
  - Post-HS action plan
- Ask students to see the folder they will bring home from seminar meeting
- Have students open XELLO on their computers to seek information about post-secondary options and their 4-year plans. Explore Xello together.
- Encourage your student to make progress on their action plan.
- Talk to your student, encourage exploration, encourage independence.

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