

Class of 2024

Introduction to the College Counseling Process



Lawrence Academy

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Meet the College Office

- **Sean Sheehan**, Director of College Counseling, ssheehan@lacademy.edu
 - History Teacher, Advisor, Football & Hockey Coach, OD
- **Kim Bohlin Healy**, Associate Director of College Counseling, kbohlin@lacademy.edu
 - History Teacher, Advisor, Soccer & Tennis Coach, Dorm Parent
- **Chris Margraf**, Assistant Director of College Counseling, cmargraf@lacademy.edu
 - Math Teacher, Advisor, Baseball Coach, OD
- **Mia Ritter**, Assistant Director of College Counseling, mritter@lacademy.edu
 - Testing Director, Learning Coach, Advisor, Skiing & Lacrosse Coach, Dorm Parent
- **Marcelle Barker**, College Counseling Office Assistant, mbarker@lacademy.edu

Timeline – Sophomore Year

- **September 2021** Class meeting: importance of grades and being involved
- **October 2021** PSAT
- **December 2021** Peter Van Buskirk event
- **May 2022** Class meeting: importance of grades, course selection, summer plans

Timeline – Junior Year

- **October 2022** PSAT
- **November 2022**
 - Complete counselor preference sheets
 - Small group College Counseling classes begin
- **December 2022** Counselor assigned
- **January 2023** Individual meetings with college counselor begin
- **January 2023** Junior Class College Day – students and families

College Office Outreach

- Parent/Guardian Emails
- Parent Webinars
- College Counseling Monthly Update
- LA eNews Updates
- CC Veracross Tab (currently adding in Veracross)
- College Counseling Handbook – currently in Veracross
- Individual Meetings
- Junior Parent/Guardian Dinner & Meeting – Fall 2022
- Junior Class College Day – January 2023

Standardized Testing: Philosophy

- Our Philosophy
- The Big Two
 - ACT
 - SAT
- Practice Tests:
 - [Summit Education](#) – free practice ACT & SAT opportunities
 - [Khan Academy](#) (SAT)
 - [ACT Academy](#) (ACT)

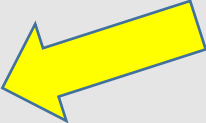
Standardized Testing: Plan

- **Option 1:** Practice Tests in spring or summer 2022
 - Discuss Testing Plan with College Office
- **Option 2:** No Practice Tests
 - SAT: December 2022
 - ACT: February 2023

There is no perfect plan!

Standardized Testing: Anticipated Test Dates

SAT

- Nov 5, 2022
- **Dec 3, 2022** 
- March 11, 2023
- *April 2023 > school day testing*
- May 7, 2023
- June 3, 2023

ACT

- Dec 10, 2022
- **Feb 11, 2023** 
- April 15, 2023
- June 10, 2023
- July 15, 2023

Standardized Testing: Preparation

- Practice SAT & ACT results
- PSAT results
- Online resources
- Test Prep classes
- Individual Tutoring
- Testing Accommodations > [Mia Ritter](#)

Standardized Testing: Prep @LA

- Summit Educational Group *(either in person or virtual)*
 - SAT Prep Class will begin September 2022 preparing students to take the December 2022 SAT
 - ACT Prep Class will begin November 2022 preparing students to take the February 2023 ACT
 - Individual test prep offered as well

Question & Answer