Juniors: Where will you be in the Fall of 2016?





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Life's Transitions:

Helping Your Child Prepare For Their Future











Countdown to Independence

Soon you may have to manage things on your own. Consider:

- Medical Appointments
- Car Repairs
- Budgeting/Banking
- Social/Friend/Roommate Issues
- Time Management
- Prescription Medication





FINDING THE RIGHT PATH: THE FAMILY DISCUSSION

✓ Self-Reflection

Where do I see myself next year?

Where do I want to be next year?

Or 5 years from now?

How about 10 years from now?

✓ Things to Consider

Academic Ambition

Finances

Career Interests

Realistic Options





Need Help Figuring It Out?

Check out Naviance

How to get there:

http://connection.naviance.com/vhsnj

What you can do:

- O Explore Interests
- o Investigate Careers
- o Research Colleges





Weigh Your Options

- Career or Technical School
- The Military
- 2 Year School
- 4 Year School
- Employment
- Gap Year (year off to participate in an enriching opportunity prior to attending school)





Advantages to Career and Technical Schools

- Courses of study can be completed in 2 years or less, sometimes in just a few months
- Hands on instruction
- Financial aid available at most schools
- Potential for competitive salary upon graduation
- Less expensive than a traditional 2 or 4 year college





Career Opportunities

Ultrasound Technician

Computer Repair

Massage Therapist

Pharmacy Technician

Cosmetologist

Alarm Installer

Automotive Technician

Veterinarian Technician

Physical/Occupational Therapy Technician





Schools to Explore

- Artistic Academy
- The Chubb Institute
- The Connecticut School of Broadcasting
- Stenotech Career Institute
- Berkeley College
- Eastwick College and the HoHoKus Schools





Have You Considered a Career in the Armed Services?

Ways to Join:

- Enlist
- Enrollment in one of the Military Academies

Other options:

- Reserves
- ROTC





Advantages to the Armed Services

- World-class training in technical fields
- Financial assistance for college tuition
- Low cost health insurance
- Possible salary
- Travel and explore the world
- Stipend for living expenses





Armed Services Career Opportunities

- Aviation Operations
- Finance
- Intelligence Analyst
- Administration and Supervision
- Graphic Design
- Broadcast Technician
- Journalist
- Criminal Investigation
- Heating and Cooling Mechanic

- Dental and Veterinary Fields
- Construction
- Carpentry



- Masonry
- Plumbing
- Air Traffic control
- Photography
- Business
- Education
- Vehicle Mechanics





The 2 or 4 Year College Option Begins Now

Start to narrow down your choices

 Establish your official identity on formal documents, standardized tests, and applications

 Create an <u>appropriate</u>, working e-mail address



QUESTIONS?



