

Senior Timeline

Class of 2021

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

- If you are enrolled in an A.P. course, you will join your A.P. class section online and register for the A.P. exam. The A.P. exam costs are the same as last year: **\$85-regular fee, \$53-reduced fee**. A change in A.P. policy is the fee for **signing up and not taking the test. That fee will be \$40. The commitment deadline to take the A.P. exam is November 1.**
- Accuplacer Test benchmarks met or an appropriate ACT score is required for NWTC program acceptance. Grade point average supersedes these tests. A 2.6 GPA will allow you to meet the academic requirements needed for most programs entry with the exception of some specific health related programs which require a minimum GPA of 3.0. If you do not meet the GPA requirement then benchmarks must be met in the Accuplacer or ACT assessments. NWTC opened the application period earlier (June 3) with the following programs: Dental Assistant, Dental Hygienist, Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Electrical Power Distribution, Gas Utility Construction, Medical Lab Technician, Nursing Associate Degree, Physical Therapy Assistant, Practical Nursing, Radiography, Respiratory Therapy, & Surgical Technologist. A written essay is required for some medical programs. The essay must be completed on a NWTC campus. You can make an appointment with Miranda or the testing facility at NWTC, Marinette. Biology & Chemistry need to be completed with a 'C' or better at the time of application for Nursing—Associate, Radiography and DMS only. Chemistry can be in progress at the time of application for all other Associate Degree Health Programs.
- Gather information about various tech schools and colleges and apply to those you select as most appropriate for you. All colleges and tech schools prefer that you do your applications on-line. The UW colleges will start to process applications on **September 1**. Visit www.apply.wisconsin.edu to use the UW system online application process for admission. The UW application fee is \$50, \$60 for UW-Madison. **When you apply on-line, remember to inform Ms. Newberry in the Guidance Office so we can mail your transcript.** It is necessary to send an official transcript & ACT score to complete your application file with each college application. The official transcript includes a Peshtigo High School seal and must arrive at the college admissions office in an official PHS envelope. We will send a copy of your ACT score to your college, however, some

colleges such as UW-Eau Claire, UW-Green Bay, UW-LaCrosse, & UW-Madison only accept official copies through the ACT website.

- Sign up to attend the Virtual Wisconsin Education Fair **Wednesday, September 16, Wednesday October 7, Sunday November 8th** Register online at: <https://www.wefs.org/> The virtual college fair will have access to over **100** post secondary options to explore. The fair will run from **3 p.m - 5 p.m.** followed by an interactive financial aid and scholarships presentation along with a variety of other info sessions to choose from **5 p.m. - 6 p.m.** **Please inform parents of the virtual financial aid and scholarship presentation.**
- The Guidance Office needs to be aware of all of your applications you submit with your possible majors so you can be notified of information relevant to you.
- **UW campuses begin processing applications September 1** for the Fall semester. Application priority dates and deadlines vary from campus to campus, & sometimes among different programs at the same campus. **It's to your advantage to apply early!**
- If you are applying to a selective or highly selective college it is important to get your application in as soon as possible.
- Please make an appointment to meet with Ms. Newberry to discuss your plans for next year—schooling, working, military service, etc... **TIMES ARE FIRST COME FIRST SERVE. PLEASE PICK A TIME WHEN YOU ARE NOT IN CLASS!**
Group A students need to schedule on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
Group B students need to schedule on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursday.
Virtual students need to schedule during times they are available.
Exceptions- Students in study hall can schedule an in person meeting as long as the time is available. Please schedule at:
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/selfsched?sstoken=UUcyRmNUNGNwN21EfGRIZmF1bHR8YWExOThkOWVknjNhMGVkyTksNjBjNTkwYWM5MGFIYzU>

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- The large senior group picture was **Picture Day** last year. Picture Day this year is: **Wednesday, September 16.**
- If needed, register & take the October 10, 17, 24 or 25 ACT. The regular registration deadline is September 17. Registration is on-line (www.actstudent.org). Materials are also available in the Guidance Office. The Peshtigo High School Code is: **501-780.**
- Method Test Prep is a company that our school has contracted with to prepare you for the ACT. This is a 20 week program that can specifically help you prepare for the ACT. You will create a username and password when entering the website after your initial sign up. Visit: <http://app.methodtestprep.com/PeshtigoHighSchool/signup>
Referral code—tkn.71707190
- Another online interactive test prep program is: **March 2 Success**. It is sponsored by the U.S Army and is a free service with no obligation. There are 7 timed practice tests that you can take advantage of. Sign onto the site at: <https://www.march2success.com/>
- If you need to take the Accuplacer for NWTC programs it can be administered in the Guidance Office. Make arrangements with NWTC representative Miranda DeMars.
- Explore a college match/profile/scholarship service at: www.cappex.com

- 3 senior photos are due ASAP. 1 picture for the video to the senior making the video, 1 vertical picture to the front office for the collage & 1 vertical picture for the yearbook (must be in by November 1 to be in the yearbook).
- Sometime in September, Senior '20 shirt orders will be taken. You must pay at the time of ordering.
- At this time we do not have college representatives coming to Peshtigo. We are still waiting to hear what colleges have decided to do.
- **October 1** is the deadline to apply for Early College Credit Program/Start College Now for a 2nd semester class at UW Marinette or NWTC. The ECCP will pay for your course taken at the UW- Marinette or NWTC campuses. Applications can be secured from the Guidance Office or the Wisconsin DPI website.
- **October 1 the FAFSA form can be submitted for the 2021-22 year.** This is completed online at: <https://fafsa.ed.gov/> It is a free service. You will need to fill out this form with your parents to apply for financial aid for your college/tech school freshman year. The tax information you will use for this form will be tax and income information from 2019. You may apply for financial aid prior to completing your college applications. Your FAFSA information can be sent to 10 colleges. It is in your best interest to complete this process early. For helpful videos please watch the following videos
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gUis5lityCQ>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LK0bbu0y5AM>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fz9j-g1FIHQ>
- Register with the NCAA Clearinghouse if you want to participate in college Division I or Division II athletics. Apply on-line at: www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

- If you are interested in military service, meet with recruiters and take the ASVAB (military aptitude test) to determine which training programs are available to you.
- Work to improve your G.P.A. and maintain a strong attendance record—both are important for further education, employment, and scholarship consideration.
- If you have not already been doing so, devote time to community service. It is a component of many scholarship applications.
- Announcements of scholarships will be made available as they become known. Scholarship Watch notices will be emailed to you, posted in senior classrooms as well as on the Guidance bulletin board. Pay attention to the announcements. Available on the internet are sites that you might want to explore for scholarships: www.fastweb.com, www.cashe.com, www.salliemae.com, www.gocollege.com and www.anycollege.net.
- The first quarter ends October 21.

NOVEMBER

- **The commitment deadline to take the A.P. exam is November 1.**
- Submit applications for tech schools or colleges if you have not already done so.
- Register for the December 12 ACT by November 6.
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- College Goal Wisconsin dates are yet to be scheduled. Your family can get free assistance preparing the FAFSA throughout Wisconsin at participating sites. UW Marinette is a listed site and will be participating in the program. Last year the date was in early November. Other participating sites are available in the Guidance Office. For details go to: <http://www.collegegoalwi.org/>
- Explore careers and educational programs of interest if you are still undecided about next year.
- Visit college & tech school campuses virtually or if they allow in person visits.
- Although the date is not yet set, there is generally a senior class meeting in late November in the Lecture Room. Josten's order forms will be handed out. Also Senior will and most forms are handed out. You will vote on any unresolved issues at this time.

DECEMBER

- Take the December 12 ACT if needed.
- Process late applications for schooling next year.
- If applying for scholarships, note specific deadlines.

- The College Symposium happens in December. At this time we have no date but please be on the lookout for information. Prior registration is required. A panel of PHS graduates who are attending various colleges & tech schools will share information about their schools and about college life in general.
- Prepare for semester exams. GPA and rank continue to be important. Semester ends December 23.

JANUARY

- Register for the February 6 ACT by January 8.
- Learn admissions status from college and tech schools on all applications mailed prior to November 1st. Some colleges may wait until semester grades are available for review.

FEBRUARY

- Take the February 6 ACT, if needed.
- Seek advice regarding employment, the military, apprenticeships or other opportunities if you are not planning to go on to further education.
- Submit late applications for any tech or college program if you have not already done so.

MARCH-APRIL

- Review financial aid information from your various colleges and tech schools as you receive it. Involve your parents and seek assistance from Ms. Newberry if needed.
- Register for the April 17 ACT by March 12.

- A listing of local scholarships will be made available to all seniors in March. Applications will be available in the Guidance Office. **I will have a senior class meeting and hand out the local scholarship application to all seniors.** Scholarship criteria include: character, leadership, academics, & community service.
- Maintain good grades and regular attendance. **Avoid *senioritis*.** All college and technical schools request 7th and 8th semester grades. Schools want to make sure that you are still the student that they accepted! The 3rd quarter marking period ends March 12..
- Finalize plans for next year. If college or tech school is the plan, notify those schools you've decided not to attend. If working full time is the plan, start your job search now.

MAY-JUNE

- **All AP exam fees must be paid by May 1. The rates are: \$85 regular fee, \$53 reduced fee, \$40 fee if you registered to take the AP exam and chose to not take the test. Checks made payable to Peshtigo High School.**

AP Exam dates:

AP English Literature & Comp-Wed, May 5, 8:00 am-Noon

AP US History- Thurs, May 6, 8:00 am-Noon

AP English Language & Comp-Wed, May 12, 8:00 am-Noon

AP Biology- Fri, May 14, 8:00 am-Noon

- Notify Ms. Newberry of your final plans for next year—which colleges, tech schools, what job,...
- Notify Ms. Newberry & the main office where final transcripts should be sent. All colleges and tech schools require an official final high school transcript.

- If you took a dual enrollment class or classes through UW-Marquette, UW-Green Bay, UW-Oshkosh, or a transcribed class through NWTC you must have your college transcript sent to your chosen college or tech school. You can do this online or contact the college directly. You need to take care of this yourself as we do not have any authority over your college transcript.
- **Senior Awards Night TBD**
- Begin application process for student loans at your local bank, if needed.
- **Work hard on semester exams. Final senior exams are May 18-21. Final GPA & rank determined by May grades.**
- The Peshtigo Women's Club will hold a Senior Tea for Senior girls currently TBD
- **The Senior Picnic TBD.**
- **Graduation is Saturday May 23!**
- Final high school transcripts will be sent to the college/tech school of your destination in mid June. You must contact any college that you took a dual enrollment or transcribed credit course(s) from & request that your transcript be sent to the college/tech school of your destination. You must also send your AP scores to your college destination.
- **CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS YOU DID IT!!!**