



Junior Resources

School Counselor's Office

School counselors offer services to help guide students through their high school careers and into their futures. At LCL, we take a Christian perspective as we talk with students about college and career plans, life goals, social issues, and more. We strive to help our students grow into strong self-advocates.

Don't hesitate to contact the school counselors listed below with any questions or concerns. We look forward to working with you!

- Mrs. Katie Goran (students with last names A-K)
- Mrs. Diane Jakubowski (students with last names L-Z)

Considerations

While each year of high school is impactful, Junior year is a pivotal time in a high schooler's life. This is the time when students are taking a deep dive into their interests and goals for their future beyond high school. Junior year can get quite busy with college visits, ACT or SAT testing, AP classes, extra-curriculars, etc. Please contact the school counselors with any questions or concerns you might have at any point.

Post-High School/College Planning

Junior Year is a great time to engage in job shadows or visit college campuses.

Junior Parents—There will be a Junior Parent Meeting in the Fall. More details will be coming soon. We encourage you to attend that meeting. Here is the link to the [PowerPoint](#) presentation for 2025.

Junior Meetings – Beginning in February, Juniors will meet in small groups with the counselors to learn how to begin post-high school planning. Topics covered during this meeting include options for post-high school, College Application Timeline, Standardized Testing, College Visits, College Discernment, Paying for College, and Financial Aid. Additionally, a quick reference guide



to the College Application Timeline can be found [here](#). If you have any specific questions about the process, please contact the School Counseling Office.

Testing Information

Many colleges have suspended the requirement of the ACT or SAT for the graduating Classes of 2025 and 2026. Check with your college of interest to determine their requirements. Scholarships may still require a test score. We strongly encourage students to take an ACT/SAT at least one time during high school to keep all possible options open.

ACT

General Information: The test is a college entrance exam and is accepted by most post-secondary institutions. The highest scores are taken and may be necessary to complete college applications beyond high school. It is best if testing occurs before a student's senior year. The writing portion of the test is encouraged, but please also check with your possible colleges/universities to see if they require it for admission.

ACT Official Website | www.actstudent.org (to register and utilize study materials)
LCLHS School Code: 500-855

ACT 2025-2026 TEST DATES

- September 6, 2025
- October 18, 2025
- December 13, 2025
- February 14, 2026
- April 11, 2026
- June 13, 2026 (LCL is a test center for this date)
- July 11, 2026



SAT

General Information: Same as ACT above. It tests aptitude for learning and ability in two areas: mathematics and verbal. In addition, a writing test is required. Colleges may also require SAT Subject Tests. Please see your college website for requirements.

SAT Official Website | www.collegeboard.org

(to register, also has study materials)

LCLHS School Code: 500-855

SAT 2025-2026 TEST DATES

- August 23, 2025
- September 13, 2025
- October 4, 2025
- November 8, 2025
- December 6, 2025
- March 14, 2026
- May 2, 2026
- June 6, 2026

ACT and SAT Preparation

Free Options:

- www.KnowHow2GOWisconsin.org
- www.mometrix.com/academy/act-test/
- Testing agency website as listed above.

Paying Options:

- <https://www.sylvanlearning.com>
- www.PrincetonReview.com - various services, classroom and private tutoring available; free practice tests available
- UW-Milwaukee - sessions each semester, see <http://uwm.edu/trio/high-school-programs/act-prep/>



- UW-Waukesha - online course available, register online at <http://waukesha.uwc.edu/continuing-ed/courses/youth/college-prep>
- www.kaptest.com

AP/ Dual Enrollment Courses

At LCL, all students can take AP and/or Dual Credit courses. With the average student taking over 5 college-level courses, LCL students leave with a firm academic foundation for college. It is not uncommon for LCL students to start a semester or a year ahead of other students upon entering college.

CLEP Exams

Another way students can earn college credit is by taking a [CLEP](#) exam. There are 34 different exams covering introductory-level college course material. Over 2,900 US colleges and universities accept these credits. Visit the website to learn more.

Summer Programs/ Opportunities

Summer is a great time to take pre-college courses, explore a career, and get a job. If you need help finding summer pre-college programs, visit the Counseling Office for more information!

Additional Resources

- [How to Help Teens Struggling With Mental Health](#)
- [What To Do If You Suddenly Can't Pay For College](#)
- [College Admissions and Corona Virus: The New Normal](#)
- [What Are Colleges Looking For In Your Essay?](#)
- [5 Things Know About Planning College Visits](#)
- [Tips For Juniors Planning For College](#)
- [Building Your Resume for College/Careers](#)
- [How Parents Can Help Their Student With the College Search](#)



- [10 Reasons to Go To a Technical College](#)
- [Admission Officers Increase Social Media Checks](#)
- [Cyber-bulling](#)