

# COUNSELING CONNECTION

Monthly Newsletter of the Gibbs High School Counseling Dept.

## UPCOMING DATES



PSAT Exam  
**OCTOBER 26**

FAFSA Help Session  
**OCTOBER 28 @ 5:30PM**

GHS Foundation BBQ Fundraiser  
10am-2pm @ IGA  
**OCTOBER 30**

CORE Lesson/  
TN Promise Deadline!  
**NOVEMBER 1**

- In-Service Day -  
No school for students  
**NOVEMBER 2**

CORE Lesson  
**NOVEMBER 15**

End of 13.5 week  
grading period  
**NOVEMBER 16**



## EPSO Week 2021

EPSO Week is a time designed to increase awareness of Early Postsecondary Opportunities that exist for students and to encourage more students to enroll in them.

EPSO awareness is important because of the positive impact these courses can have on a students' future. Research shows that students who participate in EPSO courses are more likely to enroll in and graduate from college.

EPSOs allow students to become familiar with postsecondary expectations and develop the confidence and skills for success – this is particularly important for first generation college-going students.

EPSOs also decrease the time to complete an industry certificate or degree, saving students money.

Ways to  
earn  
EPSOs  
at GHS

- Take AP classes
- Take Dual Enrollment classes
- Take Dual Credit courses
- Earn an Industry Certification through CTE courses

# IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL



TIPS FOR HOW  
TO PREPARE:

- [9TH GRADE](#)
- [10TH GRADE](#)
- [11TH GRADE](#)
- [12TH GRADE](#)

Click here to preview the  
Gov School Webpage!



Click [here](#) for several  
Mental Health Crisis  
and Other Resources  
available to our  
students and families.



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# Class of 2022

SENIOR SPOT

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TRANSCRIPT HERE!!



TENNESSEE PROMISE  
SCHOLARSHIP



DEADLINE  
11/1/21



## FAFSA HELP SESSION



WHEN

Thursday, OCTOBER 28  
5:30-7:30

WHAT  
TO  
BRING

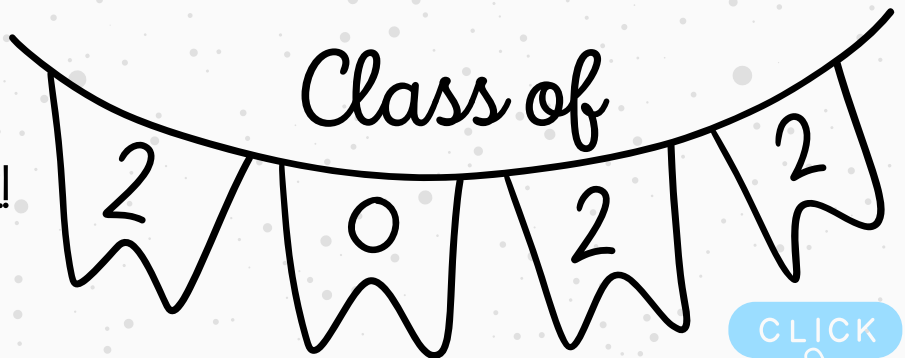
- Student's Social Security Number
- Income tax returns, W-2's, other records of money earned & untaxed income
- Bank Statements & records of investments
- FSA ID to sign electronically (fsaid.ed.gov)

GIBBS HIGH LIBRARY

GET MONEY FOR COLLEGE,  
TRADE SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY, ETC!



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Information Hub!



## Outlier's Advantage: ACT Prep Academy

Presents:

# Free Mock ACT

When: Sat., Nov. 20 at 8:45 am

Where: 3904 Lonas Drive

(South College)

Who: All Knox County area students

RSVP: [www.ACTprep.com](http://www.ACTprep.com)

Outlier's Advantage will be hosting a free mock ACT to help students see where they currently stand before the next ACT. Tests will be graded on location and students will leave with their scores. Real past ACT tests will be used. An ACT strategy session will be held at the end while the tests are being graded.

(Limited seating. All participants must RSVP.)

**OUTLIERS  
ADVANTAGE**  
ACT PREP ACADEMY

Training students for success in college and beyond





*FRANCE,  
GERMANY, &  
THE ALPS*

**RSVP  
NOW**



INTEREST MEETING  
FOR SUMMER 2023



**WHEN?**  
**TUESDAY**  
**OCTOBER 26TH**  
**5:00 PM**

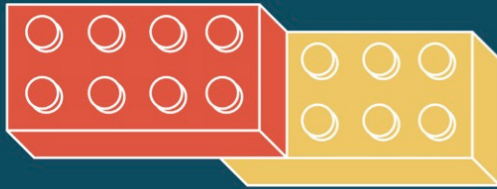
**WHERE?**  
**GIBBS HIGH LIBRARY**  
**RSVP**  
bit.ly/3FxiErS or QR Code above

Experience European history from three different angles. In Paris, feel the echoes of the Revolution in the Place de la Concorde. Munich's charming Glockenspiel and cobblestone streets transport you back to the Middle Ages. In between, the spectacular mountain scenery of Lucerne belongs to no particular era; the grandeur and beauty of the Alps are truly timeless.



See Ms. Blaylock for more information in room 219.

# KNOX BRICKS & BLOCKS



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**Saturday, October 23, 9:30 AM – 11:30 | No Cost**  
@ The Square Room

We invite kids, ages 5-18, to work with architects and designers to create the post-pandemic home of the future for a mini-fig family. This is a fun opportunity to learn more about architecture and the design profession.

Check out [knoxbydesign.org](https://www.knoxbydesign.org) to find out about our virtual option and our adherence to CDC recommendations concerning COVID.



**Register for free:**  
<https://www.knoxbydesign.org/knox-bricks/#blocks>

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[knoxbydesign.org](https://www.knoxbydesign.org)



- **PARK(ING) DAY**  
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM | **NO COST**  
Allied Partners: City of Knoxville, East Tennessee Community Design Center
- **KNOX BRICKS AND BLOCKS**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23**  
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM | **NO COST**  
@ The Square Room  
Sponsored by LHP Capital  
Allied Partners: Beyond a Brick
- **FIRST FRIDAY ART SALON**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
5:30 PM - 9:00 PM | **NO COST**  
@ Able Trade  
Sponsored by the Knoxville Museum of Art through the William Shell Endowment Fund  
Allied Partner: CSI Knoxville Chapter
- **SIGHTS AND STORIES – ARCHITECTURAL WALKING TOUR**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23**  
10:00AM – NOON | **NO COST**  
Hosted by Knox Heritage
- **TRIVIA NIGHT**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12**  
**\$10 PER PERSON**  
@ Central Flats and Taps  
Hosted by IIDA Tennessee Chapter  
Allied Partner: NOMAS UTK
- **DESIGN AWARDS: ONLINE PEOPLE'S CHOICE VOTE**  
**SEPTEMBER 1-24TH | NO COST**  
Sponsored by Proficient Engineering  
VOTE ONLINE SOON AT:  
[knoxbydesign.org/vote/](https://www.knoxbydesign.org/vote/)
- **DESIGN AWARDS GALA**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29**  
Virtual/Online  
Sponsor: UTK College of Architecture + Design, Haines Structural Group, LHP Capital, Lewis Thomason, SESCO Lighting  
Visit [aiaetn.org](http://aiaetn.org) for more info
- **DESIGN SLAM**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19**  
6:00PM-9:00PM  
**NO COST TO ENTER**  
@ Hi-Wire Brewing  
Sponsored by Proficient Engineering
- **KNOX BRICKS AND BREWS**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22**  
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
**\$30 PER PERSON OR TWO TICKETS FOR \$50**  
@ The Square Room  
Sponsored by General Shale, East Tennessee Masonry Association, Southeast Concrete Masonry Association, Johnson Architecture  
Allied Partners: Beyond a Brick

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