



Northgate Middle/Senior High School

# Guidance Department

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**February 2020**

## Dates to Remember

**February 6**

National College Fair  
David Lawrence  
Convention Center  
9 am-Noon & 6:30-9 pm  
Visit [gotomyncf.com](http://gotomyncf.com) for more  
information or to register

**February 7**

National College Fair  
David Lawrence Convention  
Center Field Trip for  
11th-grade Students  
9 am-Noon  
*Permission slips are available in  
the guidance office.*

**February 17**

President's Day  
No School

**February 21**

Progress Reports Mailed

**March 6**

Arts Odyssey  
4:30-8 pm

**March 13**

No School

**March 23**

End of 3rd grading period

**March 26**

Report Cards Issue

**April 3**

Last Day to register for  
May SAT (at Northgate)

**April 9-13**

No School  
Spring Break

**April 28**

No School

**May 2**

SAT at Northgate

**May 25**

No School

**June 3**

Last Day of School

**June 5**

Commencement  
7:30pm

## 8th Grade Scheduling Appointments

The scheduling process for the 2020-21 school year has been put in place. All 8th grade students and their parents are encouraged to meet with Mrs. Gallagher to discuss course options for the 2020-21 school year and map out their high school path. Day and evening appointment slots are available. Please contact the guidance office at [dburns@northgatesd.net](mailto:dburns@northgatesd.net) or 412-732-3300 x 1012 to make an appointment.

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## Colleges & Universities Visiting Northgate

There are no visits scheduled for the month of February.

## College Open House

The following colleges are sponsoring Open Houses for you to visit them. Check their websites for registration information.

### **Carlow University**

Feb. 22, March 28, April 18  
[www.carlow.edu](http://www.carlow.edu)

### **Clarion University**

Feb. 17, March 13,  
April 10 & 18  
[www.clarion.edu](http://www.clarion.edu)

### **Edinboro University**

April 18  
[www.edinboro.edu](http://www.edinboro.edu)

### **IUP**

April 4 & 25  
[www.iup.edu](http://www.iup.edu)

### **LaRoche University**

April 18  
[www.laroche.edu](http://www.laroche.edu)

### **Lock Haven University**

March 2 & April 6  
[www.lockhaven.edu](http://www.lockhaven.edu)

### **Mercyhurst College**

Feb. 17 & 22 March 21  
April 18 May 2  
[www.mercyhurst.edu](http://www.mercyhurst.edu)

### **PA College of Art and Design**

Jan 11 & March 28  
[www.pcad.edu](http://www.pcad.edu)

### **Point Park University**

Jan. 18, Feb. 15,  
March 7 & April 4  
[www.pointpark.edu](http://www.pointpark.edu)

### **Slippery Rock University**

Feb. 1, 8, 22 March 28  
April 25  
[www.sru.edu](http://www.sru.edu)

### **St. Vincent College**

Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22 & April 4  
[www.stvincent.edu](http://www.stvincent.edu)

### **Westminster College**

Feb. 17  
[www.westminster.edu](http://www.westminster.edu)

## FAFSA Sign In Information

The FSA ID is the way for students and parents to electronically sign the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Your FSA ID is used to confirm your identity when accessing your financial aid information and electronically signing your federal student aid documents. Go to **[fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov)** to apply for your Federal Student Aid identification number.

FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Colleges and universities use this form to determine your eligibility for federal, state, and college-sponsored financial aid, including grants, educational loans, and work-study programs. Therefore, even though the FAFSA is technically the application for federal aid, you have to fill it out to receive state and college-sponsored financial aid as well. If you're hoping for any government or school financial aid for college, you should file a FAFSA. Once you have your FSA ID, go to **[www.studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa](https://www.studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa)** to learn more and start your application.

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## SAT & ACT Testing Dates

SAT test takers must provide a valid photo ID and a registration ticket (even if taking the test at Northgate.) You will need standard #2 pencils and a calculator. No Registration ticket = No admittance. No ID = No admittance. If you need an ID, please stop at the Guidance Office. For more information visit [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

Register for the SAT at [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register) with Northgate Code 393-640.  
Register for the ACT at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

### ACT Dates and Deadlines

#### **Feb. 8, 2020**

Registration deadline Jan. 11

#### **April 4, 2020**

Registration deadline Feb. 28

#### **June 13, 2020**

Registration deadline May 8

#### **July 18, 2020**

Registration deadline June 19

### SAT Dates and Deadlines

#### **March 14, 2020**

Registration deadline Feb. 14

#### **May 2, 2020 (AT NORTHGATE)**

Registration deadline April 3

#### **June 6, 2020**

Registration deadline May 8

## Want to Play College Sports?

College-bound student-athletes preparing to enroll in a Division I or Division II school need to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center. While playing sports at a Division III school does not require you to register with the Eligibility Center, there are still some important things you need to know. Go to [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org) or [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) for more information.

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## Military Information

United States Military Academy  
Attn: Public Affairs Office  
Taylor Hall, Bldg 600  
West Point NY 10996-1788  
845-938-2006  
[www.usma.edu](http://www.usma.edu)

United States Air Force Academy  
Attn: Public Affairs Office  
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 2300  
U.S. Air Force Academy, CO 80840-5016  
1-800-443-9266  
[www.academyadmissions.com](http://www.academyadmissions.com)

United States Naval Academy  
Attn: Public Affairs Officer  
121 Blake Road, Annapolis  
MD 21402-5000  
410-267-2291  
[www.usna.edu](http://www.usna.edu)

United States Coast Guard  
Attn: Public Affairs Academy  
15 Mohegan Avenue  
New London, CT 06220-4195  
203-444-8270  
[www.cga.edu](http://www.cga.edu)

## Scholarship Opportunities

### WACE SCHOLARSHIP PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

Various scholarships are available. You must have a cumulative high school GPA of 3.5, apply for admission for the 2019-20 academic year at the institution(s) you select on the scholarship application and meet other merit scholarship criteria as established by the institution(s) selected on the application.

[www.waceinc.org/scholarship](http://www.waceinc.org/scholarship)

DEADLINE: Feb. 15, 2020

### BLACKWOOD MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is for seniors intending to pursue a college degree and a career in music performance. The applicant must display musical talent, have an instructor's recommendation, and show financial need.

[www.blackwoodarts.org/scholarships](http://www.blackwoodarts.org/scholarships)

DEADLINE: Feb. 15, 2020

### LOLA DUFF AND WILLIAM H. DUFF, II SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This renewable \$15,000 scholarship is high school seniors who plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study leading to an initial bachelor's degree at an accredited four-year educational institution.

[scholarsapply.org/duffscholarship](http://scholarsapply.org/duffscholarship)

DEADLINE: March 15, 2020

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**EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AND CENTRAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM(EAWCP)-**

The EAWCP will award nine scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have epilepsy/seizure disorder and are planning to attend a postsecondary school. Applicants must have a diagnosis of epilepsy/seizure disorder that has a confirmed statement from their physician, proof of acceptance to a school full time after graduation, be a resident of Western or Central Pennsylvania and must attend at least one of the EAWCP's Run/Walks in Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Altoona or Erie.

[www.eawcp.org/programs/ProgramsScholarship.xml](http://www.eawcp.org/programs/ProgramsScholarship.xml)

DEADLINE: April 1, 2020

**WESTINGHOUSE WOMEN IN NUCLEAR 2019 SCHOLARSHIP**

Westinghouse Electric Company is offering a \$5,000 scholarship to a 2019 graduating female. The applicant must be pursuing a Bachelor's degree in engineering, mathematics, or physical sciences at an accredited college or university

[www.westinghousenuclear.com/About/Community-and-Education/](http://www.westinghousenuclear.com/About/Community-and-Education/Westinghouse-Women-In-Nuclear)

[Westinghouse-Women-In-Nuclear](http://www.westinghousenuclear.com/About/Community-and-Education/Westinghouse-Women-In-Nuclear)

DEADLINE: March 13, 2020

**CHARLES R. FRANK SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This scholarship is for Northgate graduating seniors who demonstrate financial need, have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and plan to attend an accredited vocational, technical school or a 2-or 4-year university

[www.pittsburghfoundation.org/scholarship/2362](http://www.pittsburghfoundation.org/scholarship/2362)

DEADLINE: March 31, 2020

**STUDENT-VIEW SCHOLARSHIP**

The 2019 Student-View Scholarship Program is offering \$11,000 worth of scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend a four-year college, community/junior college or career school. There is no minimum SAT/ACT score or grade point average, no essay required and no application fee required. There is a 15-20 minute survey about colleges in your area and the scholarship will be awarded by a random drawing of all completed applications.

[www.student-view.com](http://www.student-view.com)

DEADLINE: April 22, 2020

**PITTSBURGH METROPOLITAN AREA HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOUNDATION**

Applicants are planning to attend an accredited college, university, vocational, technical or trade school in the United States. Applicants must demonstrate unmet financial need of at least \$1,000 after the financial aid award package has been determined. Applicant must have at least one parent of Hispanic ancestry (at least one of the applicant's grandparents must be Hispanic). Applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and community involvement is preferred.

[www.pmahcc.org](http://www.pmahcc.org)

DEADLINE: April 30, 2020

**RALPH B. CANTERBURY SCHOLARSHIP**

A total of 10 scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$1,500 each. All applicants must be members in good standing of the Clearview Federal Credit Union.

<https://www.clearviewfcu.org/Community/Ralph-B-Canterbury-Scholarship>

DEADLINE: March 1, 2020

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**PENNSYLVANIA AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIPS: VARIOUS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT IN GRADES 9-12.**

**[www.pa-legion.com/programs/student-programs/scholarships](http://www.pa-legion.com/programs/student-programs/scholarships)**

**SCHOLASTIC ART & WRITING AWARDS**

All students in grades 7-12 in public, private, or home scholars may submit original works of art and writing to the Awards. More than \$300,000 in scholarships will be distributed to select Award recipients.

**[www.artandwriting.org/scholarships](http://www.artandwriting.org/scholarships)**

**JEWISH SCHOLARSHIP SERVICE OF GREATER PITTSBURGH**

All awards are based on demonstration of financial need. Other factors such as academic achievement, field of study, school attending, and Jewish and general community involvement will also be considered depending on the scholarship.

**[www.jfcsphgh.org/scholarships](http://www.jfcsphgh.org/scholarships)**

**DEADLINE:** February 12, 2020

**IMAGINE AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is for high school seniors planning to attend a career school that participates in the Imagine America High School Scholarship Program([www.imagine-america.org/our-schools/](http://www.imagine-america.org/our-schools/)). To qualify applicants must graduate in the 2020 calendar year with a GPA of 2.5 or higher and enrolling a participating career college. Applicants may be asked to demonstrate financial need and/or show community service.

**[www.imagine-america.org/cehe-scholarships/](http://www.imagine-america.org/cehe-scholarships/)**

**RMU MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

Robert Morris University is offering various scholarships to graduating seniors.

**<https://www.rmu.edu/alumni-giving/gift-options/scholarships>**

**OWEN M. KATZ SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is awarded to a high school senior planning to pursue a career in the metals or materials field and is enrolled in a related college program.

**Applications are available in the guidance office.**

**Feb. 20, 2020**

**LANDMARK SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

This renewable \$1,500 scholarship is available to high school seniors who have been accepted to a college or university with a 3.25 or higher GPA. The scholarship is based on academic achievement, community service/work experience, financial need, and an interest in history, architecture and/or landscape design of Allegheny County.

**[www.phlf.org](http://www.phlf.org)**

**DEADLINE:** April 21, 2020

**PERRY-HIGHLAND WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Applications are currently being accepted from North Hills residents for a \$3,000 scholarship. You must be enrolled in a college or technical school for the summer or fall 2020 semester. Applications are available in the guidance office or by contacting **[phwa.scholarship@gmail.com](mailto:phwa.scholarship@gmail.com)**.

**DEADLINE:** March 2, 2020

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### **THE FREDDIE FU SPORTS MEDICINE SCHOLARSHIP**

The 2019 Freddie Fu Sports Medicine Scholarship is offering one \$2,000 scholarship to a resident of western Pennsylvania entering their senior year of high school in September 2019. In return the recipient interns for six weeks (30-40 hours per week on an agreed upon starting date) during the summer at UPMC Rooney Sports Complex and UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex. Applicants must also have a strong interest in a sports medicine career.

**[www.upmc.com/services/sports-medicine/services/athletic-training/scholarships](http://www.upmc.com/services/sports-medicine/services/athletic-training/scholarships)**

**DEADLINE:** April 18, 2020

### **FIRST COMMONWEALTH BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Graduating high school seniors with a GPA of 3.0 or higher are eligible for this scholarship. Applicants must complete a 500 word essay detailing how the student put their community first by being involved in community support activities and how they excelled in the classroom.

**[www.fcbanking.com/scholarship](http://www.fcbanking.com/scholarship)**

**DEADLINE:** March 2, 2020

## **Additional Opportunities**

### **Manufacturing 2000-Machinist Training:**

The New Century Careers MANUFACTURING 2000 Machining Training Program offers training and placement assistance. This program provides 3 levels of training up to 600 hours. The Machinist Training Program provides the necessary skills to become a machine operator or entry level machinist. Sessions include hands-on experience, professional development and resume writing. Students also learn the basic operation of lathes, vertical milling machines, CNC machines, pedestal grinders, saw, drill presses, surface grinders and other various shop tools. Training is made possible through different governmental or charitable funding sources and manufacturing employer contributions. There is no cost to qualified students who are accepted into the program. **[www.ncsquared.com](http://www.ncsquared.com)**

### **Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee of Plumbers Local Union #27**

Applications will be accepted for its Apprenticeship Training Program between February 25-March 9 at Plumbers Local Union No. 27 Headquarters/Pipe Trades Training Center, 1040 Montour West Industrial Park, Coraopolis, PA 15108. Stop in guidance for more information.

### **Ironworkers Local #3 Apprenticeship Program**

Applications will be accepted year-round, Monday-Friday from 9 am-3 pm at 2315 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. For more information visit **[www.iwlocal3.com](http://www.iwlocal3.com)**

### **Project Prom Gown Giveaway Days**

Project Prom is an initiative of the Allegheny County Department of Human Services and the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW). Their mission is to provide free, new or gently worn gowns to students who may otherwise have to miss the prom because of the cost. Any student who qualifies for a free or reduced lunch is eligible to take part. Students can visit Thriftique in Lawrenceville, 125 51st Street, Pittsburgh PA 15201 to select their gowns. See their websites for dates and times.

**[www.alleghenycounty.us/projectprom](http://www.alleghenycounty.us/projectprom)**

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### **CSI Camp**

Waynesburg University is offering its 13th annual camp from June 21- 26, 2020. Students will learn from experts in areas such as surveillance techniques, forensic science, canine workshops and speakers on topics such as wrongful convictions and the role of forensic evidence in court cases. For more information visit [www.waynesburg.edu/csi-camp](http://www.waynesburg.edu/csi-camp).

### **Mock Crime Scene Workshop at Waynesburg University**

High school juniors and seniors are invited to attend a free workshop at Waynesburg University. The workshop will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020, from 9 am-3 pm. Students will learn from crime scene professionals and field experts on how to investigate a crime scene, properly collect and document evidence, and interview witnesses. To register or for more information contact the Waynesburg University admissions office at 800-225-7393 or [admissions@waynesburg.edu](mailto:admissions@waynesburg.edu). Direct registration can be made at [www.waynesburg.edu/admissions/schedule-visit/group-visit](http://www.waynesburg.edu/admissions/schedule-visit/group-visit)

### **Sheet Metal Workers' Local #12 Apprenticeship Program**

Applications are being accepted through February 29, 2020 at 1200 Gulf Lab Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238  
[www.smlocal12.org](http://www.smlocal12.org)

### **Finishing Trades Institute of West PA District Council #57**

Applications are being accepted for apprenticeship in the Painters/Glaziers/Drywall Finishers Program. Applications are accepted year round at 101 Ewing Road, Carnegie, PA 15106  
412-276-5770

### **Western Pennsylvania Laborers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Program**

Applications are being accepted year-round for 2020 classes at 317 Deer Creek Road, Saxonburg, PA 16056 [www.laborpa.org](http://www.laborpa.org)

### **United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers, and Allied Workers Local #37 Joint Apprenticeship**

Applications are being accepted at 230 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue, PA 15202. Call for an appointment at 412-732-9720 [www.rooferslocal37.com](http://www.rooferslocal37.com)

### **2020 Sports Announcing & Sports Journalism Camp**

Waynesburg University is offering this camp to students June 22-June 27 to sophomores, juniors and seniors. Students will learn and practice play-by-play, reporting, interviewing and other skills needed to become a successful sportscaster or sports journalist. The cost is \$500 and that covers meals, housing, instruction and materials. Space is limited.  
[www.waynesburg.edu/sportsannouncingcamp](http://www.waynesburg.edu/sportsannouncingcamp)



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## Additional Resources

### **SAT Information**

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

### **ACT Information**

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

### **Financial Aid**

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

[www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org)

[www.myfedloan.org](http://www.myfedloan.org)

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

[www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

[www.aessuccess.org](http://www.aessuccess.org)

[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

### **Scholarships**

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.pittsburghfoundation.org](http://www.pittsburghfoundation.org)

[www.goodcall.com](http://www.goodcall.com)

[www.tuitionfundingsources.com](http://www.tuitionfundingsources.com)

[www.studentscholarships.org/newsletter.php](http://www.studentscholarships.org/newsletter.php)

### **Athletic Eligibility**

[www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org)

[www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)

### **Life After High School**

[www.educationplanner.org](http://www.educationplanner.org)

### **Selective Service Registration**

[www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)

## Useful Contact Information

A full staff directory can be found at [www.northgatesd.net](http://www.northgatesd.net)

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Mrs. Nicole Smith

Assistant Principal

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Mrs. Eileen Shamonsky

Attendance/Athletic Secretary

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Ms. Gail Trust

Lunch Program/Principal's Secretary

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Mrs. Gallagher

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Mrs. Diane Burns

Guidance Secretary

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## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Northgate System is to provide each student with the opportunity to acquire knowledge and skills to the maximum of his or her potential through a challenging comprehensive program administered in a safe, caring environment so that each person will succeed and contribute as an ethical, responsible citizen in a rapidly changing global society.

## **Compliance Statement**

The Northgate School District will not discriminate in its education programs, activities, or employment practices, based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, ancestry or any other legally protected classification. Announcement of this policy is in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, SEctions 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. For information regarding grievance procedures, services, activities, programs, and facilities that are accessible to and usable by handicapped persons or, for inquiries regarding compliance with the above nondiscriminatory policies, please contact the Coordinator of Special Services, 591 Union Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15202 or via phone at 412-732-3300 – ext. 2000. The Northgate School District will make reasonable accommodations to its programs and services to assure access to all persons. If because of a disability, you require an accommodation, please contact the Coordinator of Special Services/Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator via phone at 412-732-3300 – ext. 2000.