



Let the March Madness begin! Weekly presentations aimed at juniors and sophomores to help them launch their college journey. Debbie Cossey, an experienced college counselor, has curated a slate of five topics to engage your student in their college selection process. Our topics address the many options they have when it comes to navigating this next chapter of their lives.

All presentations are held on Wednesdays after school at 12:55pm and last about 30 minutes. We provide pizza and snacks. Presentations are open to all students at no cost. Registration is not required. We encourage parents to ask their kids what they learned as these are student-only presentations.

### **March 4 – College Planning: Tips & Tools for Making Your College List**



This interactive presentation will help students think about what criteria need to be considered when preparing a college list. Useful tips and tools for researching their college list will be given and time for questions will be included.

### **March 11 – How to Pay for College**



FAFSA, work-study, scholarships...these are just a few avenues to explore when it comes to figuring out how to handle college tuition. David Aramaki, from Ameriprise Financial, joins us today to share his years of college funding expertise and help you understand your options.

### **March 18 – College Testing: What's New for 2020**



Molly Metz, co-owner of Prep Northwest, speaks to students today about what's new in college admission testing and how to best prepare for the tests. She brings years of experience in prepping students as well as understanding how to identify and work on areas needing attention.

### **March 25 – Get to Know Your Colleges: College Visits and College Fairs**



Visiting colleges and attending college fairs are two important ways to get to know colleges. This presentation will focus on how to prepare, what questions to ask and how to keep track of all the information.

## April 1 – Bridging the Gap



So you're graduating...now what? Believe it or not, you don't have to attend college right after graduation to be successful. In fact, many colleges encourage students to defer schooling for up to a year to explore their interests and gain real life experience. Whether you decided to study abroad at a wildlife sanctuary in South Africa, or stay local and provide service to inner city schools, a Gap

Year can help you realize your interests. Melanie Conroy, College and Career Specialist here at LW, will share information to help understand this path.