

9TH GRADE &
COLLEGE PLANNING:
IS THERE A CONNECTION?

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Goals for Presentation

- To understand the importance of 9th grade
- To develop attitudes toward college
- To grow awareness of college
- To recognize college readiness
- To connect college and career
- To advance successfully to 10th grade

Introductions

School Counselors

- Mr. Eric Burson
- Mr. Troy Glasser
- Mrs. Aja Perales
- Mrs. Beth Walsh-Sahutske
- Mrs. Christa Warner
- Mrs. Catherine Zatkoff

Counseling Office

- Mrs. Kathy Herzog

Career Resource Center

- Mrs. Teresa Bennett

Student Assistance Program

- Mr. Doug Roby

School Psychologist

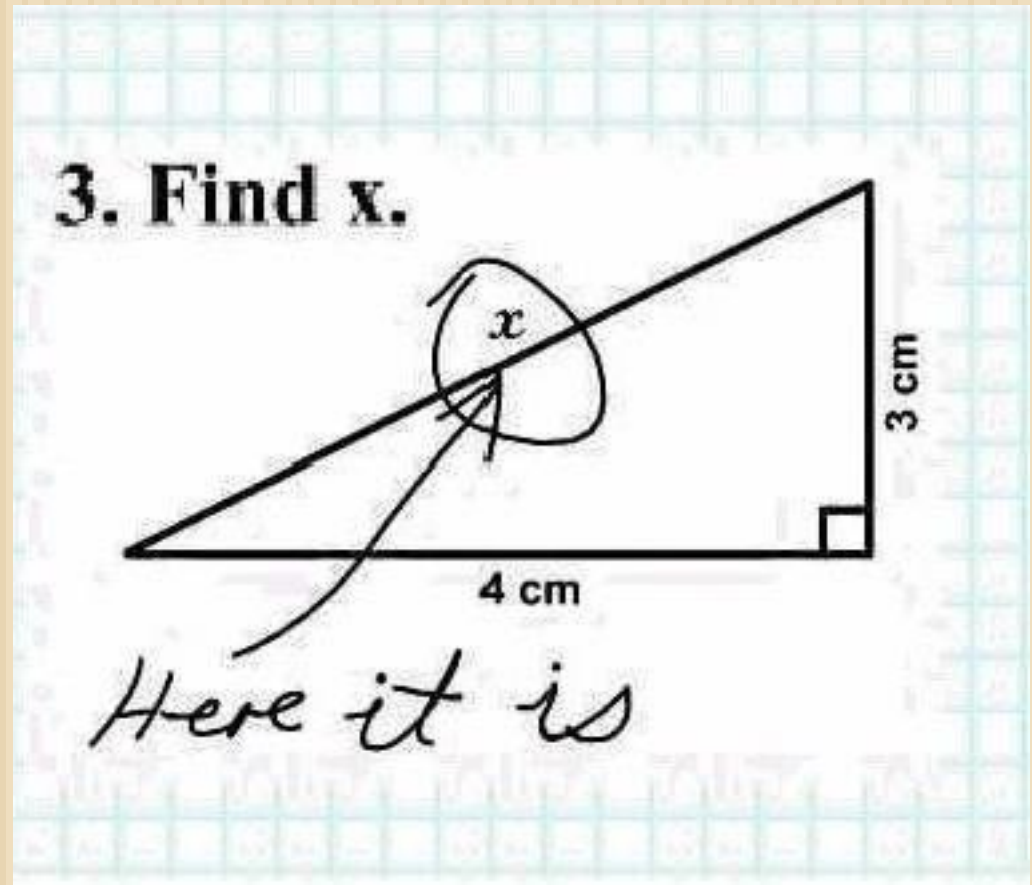
- Mr. Scott Bruns

9th grade doesn't count, right?



Importance of 9th grade

- To Develop:
 - Creativity
 - Communication
 - Curiosity
 - Discipline
 - Innovation
 - Patience
 - Persistence
 - Service
 - Study Skills
 - Teamwork



Key Areas of Focus

- Study Skills
 - Know the best way(s) to study for each subject
 - Work ahead
 - Get feedback
- Extracurricular Activities
 - Pick a few and stick with them!
- Service
 - Show an awareness of and the ability to act on the needs of others
 - Example: Family Service Activities

How does this show up?

On Your Transcript!

Course ID	Course	Grd	Mrk	Credits	Course ID	Course	Grd	Mrk	Credits	Standardized Test Scores	Date	Scores
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH Grd 9 Semester 1 01/04												
02103	FRESH ENG HON 10		B	0.5000	02197	AP ENG LANG & COMP 10	Grd 11 Semester 2 06/06	B	0.5000			
02503	GEO & WLD AF 10		A-	0.5000	02504	AP EUR HIST 10						
02330	HON ACC GEO 10		B	0.5000	02525	SOCIOLOGY 05						
02232	SPANISH II 10		B	0.5000	02342	PRE/CALC 10						
02701	CONC & MAT 10		A	0.5000	02236	HONORS SPANISH						
02404	HONOR BIO 10		A-	0.5000	02803	FASH & FAB III 05						
					02445	AP BIOLOGY 10						
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH Grd 9 Semester 1 01/04												
02103	FRESH ENG HON 10		C+	0.5000	02175	DEBATE 05						
02503	GEO & WLD AF 10		B+	0.5000	02115	MYTHOLOGY 05						
02330	HON ACC GEO 10		B	0.5000	02526	AP MICROECON 05						
02232	SPANISH II 10		C	0.5000	02570	AP PSYCHOLOGY 05						
02801	FASH & FAB I 05		A	0.5000	02238	SPAN V AP 10						
02701	CONC & MAT 10		A	0.5000								
02404	HONOR BIO 10		B	0.5000								
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH Grd 10 Semester 1 01/05												
02163	AM LIT HNR 10		A-	0.5000	02145	AP ENG LIT & COMP 10	Grd 12 Semester 2 06/07	A-	0.5000			
02512	AP US HIST 10		A	0.5000	02117	FILM LIT 05		A	0.5000			
02335	HON ACC ALG II 10		B-	0.5000	02536	AM LEG SYS 05		A	0.5000			
02233	SPANISH III 10		B+	0.5000	02527	AP MACROECON 05		B+	0.5000			
02612	INFO PROC I 05		A	0.5000	02238	SPAN V AP 10		B	0.5000			
02920	HEALTH ED FP 05		A+	0.5000	02491	PHYSIOLOGY 05		A	0.5000			
02911	PE OPT OUT 05		N	0.0000								
02411	HON CHEM 10		B	0.5000								
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH Grd 10 Semester 2 06/05												
02163	AM LIT HNR 10		A	0.5000								
02512	AP US HIST 10		A-	0.5000								
02335	HON ACC ALG II 10		B-	0.5000								
02233	SPANISH III 10		B+	0.5000								
02802	FASH & FAB II 05		A+	0.5000								
02824	INT DES/HOU 05		A	0.5000								
02911	PE OPT OUT 05		N	0.0000								
02411	HON CHEM 10		B-	0.5000								
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH Grd 11 Semester 1 01/06												
02197	AP ENG LANG & COMP 10		B-	0.5000								
02504	AP EUR HIST 10		A-	0.5000								
02522	AP US GOVT & POL 05		B+	0.5000								
02342	PRE/CALC 10		A	0.5000								
02236	HONORS SPANISH IV 10		B+	0.5000								
02445	AP BIOLOGY 10		B-	0.5000								

Note: Has grades from EVERY semester from 9th grade through 12th grade

Student Activities	Grade	Date
National Honor Society	HS	12/06

Student Notes
01/04 P.E. 9 WAIVED MEDICAL 1.000

Michigan State Attendance	Year	Grade	Pass/Abs/Pres
BROWNELL MIDDLE SCH	2000/01	6	181 / 004 / 177
BROWNELL MIDDLE SCH	2001/02	7	181 / 006 / 175
BROWNELL MIDDLE SCH	2002/03	8	181 / 004 / 177
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH	2003/04	9	181 / 008 / 172
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH	2004/05	10	179 / 000 / 179
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH	2005/06	11	178 / 004 / 174
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH	2006/07	12	176 / 002 / 174

How does this show up?

Resume

Work Experience

Lifeguard, Wells Beach Summer 2010

- Provided support to beach patrons seeking aid, including medical and other
- Strictly enforced the area rules and created a safe environment for beachgoers and other staff members

Cashier, Local Supermarket June 2009 - Present

- Provided quick and thorough service for a large volume of customers
- Answered customer inquiries via telephone and in person

Volunteer Camp Counselor, Camp SummerFun July 1, 2009 - August 5, 2009

- Guided campers to and from their daily activities
- Managed health or safety issues on a case by case basis
- Resolved camper disputes
- Maintained a fun and safe environment for participant

Education

Your High School, Town, State Expected Graduation: May 2013
GPA: 3.67

Honors and Awards

Honors include: Academic Honor Roll 2009-present; National Honors Society; National high school science award recipient.

Extracurricular Activities

Club Name, Position held (if any) 2010 - 2011

Sports Team, Leadership Position 2009 - 2010

Volunteer Work, Position 2008 - 2010

Skills

College Applications



Accessing Naviance Family Connection

1. Go to South High School homepage.
2. Select “Naviance” on the right side of the screen.
 1. Parents: Select “Are you new here?” and enter Parent Portal password as registration code.
 2. Students: Enter computer log-in (ID and password)



South High School

11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MS 38236

- Student and Staff Email
- MiStar Parent Portal
- Calendar
- Lunch Menu



Web App Links



Welcome to Family Connection

Students: log in below with your school lab login info. Parents: first time users click

username

password

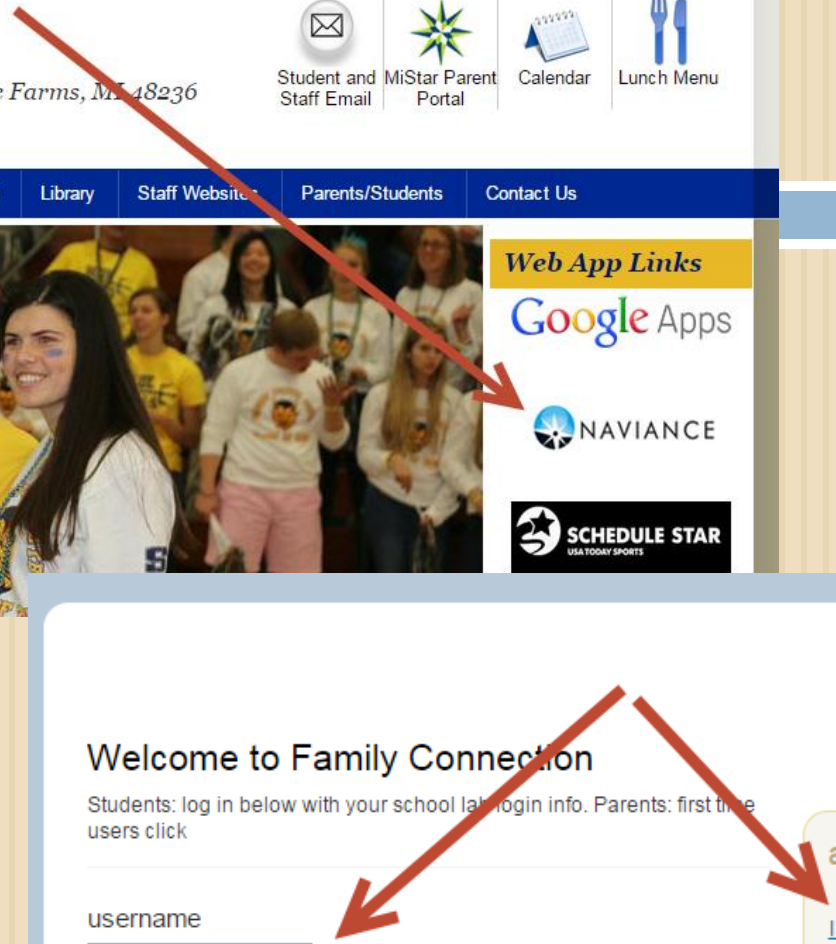
remember me

[forgot your password?](#)

[need additional help?](#)

are you new here?

[I need to register](#)



Academic Resources at South

- National Honor Society Tutoring:
 - Free!
 - Located in the South Library
 - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: until 4:00 pm
- Student & Adult Tutors Available Upon Request
- Online Tutoring:
 - Available through Grosse Pointe Public Library
 - Need a library card to log on
 - Available from 3:00 pm - 10:00 pm



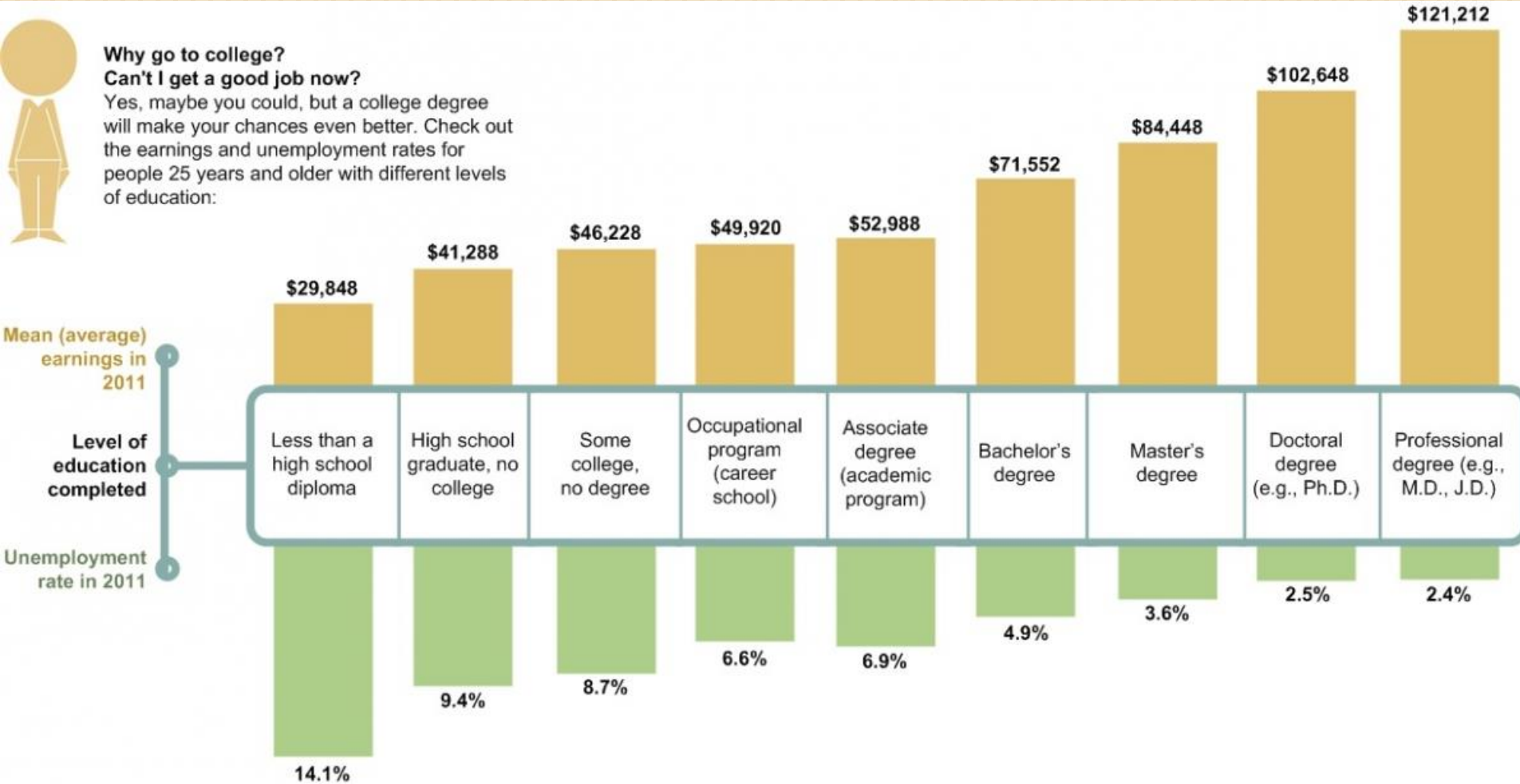
Attitudes Toward College



Why go to college?

Can't I get a good job now?

Yes, maybe you could, but a college degree will make your chances even better. Check out the earnings and unemployment rates for people 25 years and older with different levels of education:



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey, unpublished tables, 2012.

College Awareness

Types of Colleges

2 year or 4 year

Public, Private or Technical

Options

Small, Medium, Large

Rural, Suburban, Urban

Residential or Commuter

Single Sex or Coed

Items To Consider

Sports/Activities

Learning/Social Environment

College Awareness

What is
college
like?

- More flexibility
- Explore interests
- Demands outside of class
- Studying: 2 to 1 ratio
- Social life
- You are responsible for you!

College Awareness

What do
college
admissions
consider?

- ❑ Character/Personal Qualities
- ❑ Difficulty of high school classes
- ❑ Essays
- ❑ Extracurricular Activities
- ❑ GPA
- ❑ Recommendations
- ❑ Service
- ❑ Standardized Test Scores (ACT/SAT)

College Readiness

According to the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) students that are college ready:

- Use technology and tools strategically in learning and communicating
- Use argument and reasoning to do research, construct arguments, and critique the reasoning of others
- Communicate and collaborate effectively with a variety of audiences
- Solve problems, construct explanations and design solutions

College Readiness

Explore Test:

- ❑ Took in 7th & 8th grade
- ❑ Informed if you were college ready by subject
- ❑ If you are college ready you have a 50% of earning a B or higher and a 75% of earning a C or higher in first year corresponding college courses.

ACT:

- ❑ Will take during junior year
- ❑ Will inform if you are college ready by subject
 - ❑ English
 - ❑ Math
 - ❑ Science
 - ❑ Reading

Connecting College & Career

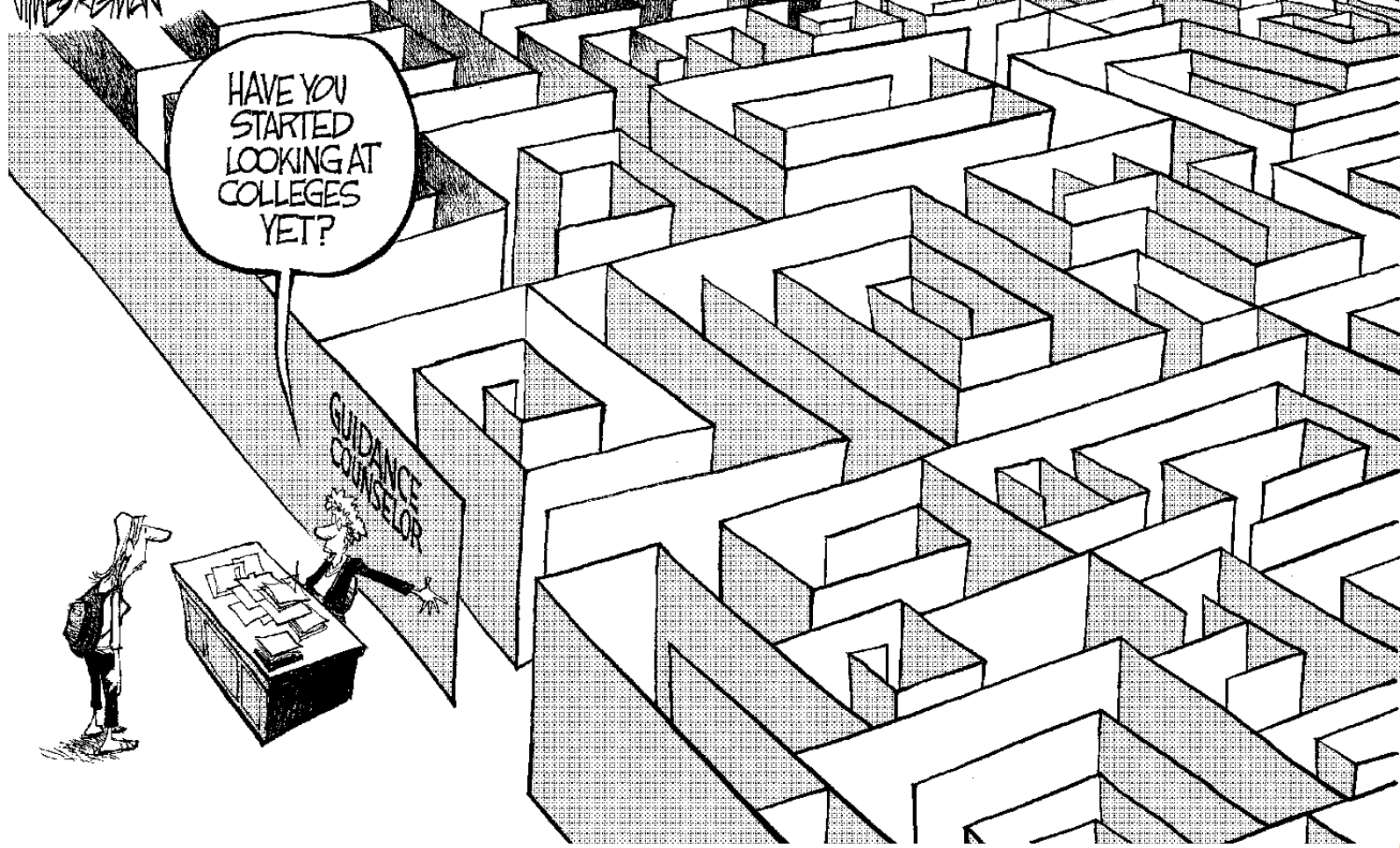
Needed
Skills
College
to
Career

- **Soft Skills**
 - **Communication**
 - **Enthusiasm & Attitude**
 - **Networking**
 - **Problem Solving & Critical Thinking**
 - **Professionalism**
 - **Teamwork**

Connecting College & Career

What
do we
do at
South
High
School?

- Naviance:
 - ▣ Career Families
 - ▣ Strength Explorer
- College Resource Center
 - ▣ Located in the library
 - ▣ Available 7:30 am – 10:30 am
- Summer Programs



Set a strong foundation!

Image from: <http://eccla.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/college-admissions1.gif>

Questions for 9th grade students:

- What traits do I bring to South High School?
- Am I making the most of the learning opportunities at South High School?
- Am I making the most of the activities at South High School?

Questions? Comments?

Further information is available on the South High School website along with the handout.

Thank you!



Feedback

In order to continuously improve our program please take two minutes to evaluate this presentation on the provided half sheet of paper.

Thank you!

Resources

- ACT College Readiness Benchmarks:
<http://www.act.org/solutions/college-career-readiness/college-readiness-benchmarks/>
- College Express: <http://www.collegexpress.com/articles-and-advice/student-life/articles/living-campus/day-life-college-student/>
- Michigan Department of Education: Career & College Ready: <http://www.michiganccr.org/>
- Patrick O'Connor: Counseling in the College Selection Process Course
- United States: Department of Labor:
<http://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/youth/softskills/>