



COUNSELOR CONNECTION

December 2024

Senior Night FAFSA & more

**Wednesday, January 8th
5-7PM in the Main Commons**

FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid. FAFSA completion is state of Illinois graduation requirement. This is also how you receive money for college!

What to expect on Senior Night:

- Assistance with FAFSA completion
- Assistance with FAFSA waiver if necessary
- Support with Foundation Scholarship Application
- Local college admissions representatives available to answer questions & assist with application information

How to prepare:

- Each student & guardian must create a FSA ID at least 48 hours prior to January 8th. Visit studentaid.gov to create your FSA ID.
- Bring your log-in information and your 2023 tax return information for both the student and the guardian

Contact Mrs. Woodard (swoodard@galesburg205.org) if you have questions.

Attention Seniors Scholarships Available!

**The Galesburg Public School
Foundation Scholarship
application is NOW OPEN!**

Completing one application allows you to apply for multiple scholarships. These scholarships are for Galesburg High School seniors and are privately funded. Scholarship recipients are selected by those who fund the scholarship or by a committee at GJSHS.

**More information and the
application is available on the
Class of 2025 Google Classroom
and at bit.ly/GJSHScounseling.**

All documents must be turned in together in a sealed envelope or manila folder. Return to the counseling office (Ms. Johnson) by
Friday, January 31.

Check us out *Online* <https://bit.ly/GJSHScounseling>



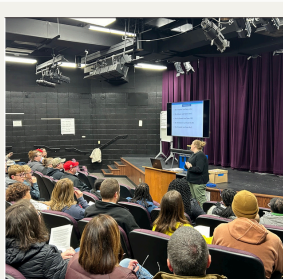
Over 100 people were in attendance
for Elf Family Movie Night!!



Registration 2025-2026

The counseling staff registered students for the 2025-2026 academic year prior to Thanksgiving. We are grateful for students who came with completed schedule grids and great questions!

If students were absent, they will be contacted by their school counselor soon!



8th Grade Parent Night
November 20th

Galesburg Promise

The Galesburg Promise program consists of funds to assist students with the cost of tuition at Carl Sandburg College. All seniors are encouraged to apply to Sandburg and for the Galesburg Promise even if attending Sandburg is not your first option.

Students must apply to Carl Sandburg College **BEFORE** completing the Promise Application.

There are 2 steps to the Galesburg Promise. You must complete the Promise Application **AND** the Foundation Scholarship Application.

The Counseling Office is partnering with Carl Sandburg College for a Promise Application Workshop on the morning of Thursday, January 30th. All students who have applied to Carl Sandburg College will receive a pass to attend.

ISAC Recognition



As part of the State of Illinois' FAFSA completion initiatives, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) recognized the Counseling Office's efforts for the 2023-2024 academic year.