



Carbondale Community High School

TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE



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Dear CCHS Students and Families,

As your College & Career Counselor, I work closely with class counselors and students to support each class as they take steps toward graduation and 'Life After High School'. Listed below you will see my primary duties related to each class and additional ways to reach me or access College & Career information.

Seniors: I will visit English 4 classes in September with Ms. Antrim to greet students and orient them to the action steps required to evaluate, apply and, ultimately, decide on their post-high school plan. Look for a page or two of information from me in the [blue senior folder](#) as well. For seniors, I provide support to and through the college application process, review essays, translate financial aid options, discuss final post-secondary decisions and coordinate college visit meetings. I am available as a general resource for seniors all year long, and I work closely with Ms. Antrim in an effort to support the class through this action packed and goal-oriented year!

Juniors: I will make a formal introduction through English 3 class visits in September with Ms. Krutsinger. Look for introductory information from me in the [red junior folder](#) that arrives in the mail as well. Information that I share with juniors includes tips on how to manage a productive junior year, how to best prepare for upcoming assessments, how to plan for senior year, and I offer individual meetings with juniors during third quarter. I will coordinate with Ms. Krutsinger to deliver group guidance related to best practices for completing your college/career search and narrowing your list of options by the end of this year. Good grades, personal wellness and seeking support as needed are priorities this year!

Sophomores: Students and families will receive information in January related to an opportunity to meet with me to review your future course options, plan your assessment schedule and get a jumpstart on the college/post-secondary planning. Meetings will take place at the end of January/start of February. I will also coordinate with Ms. Koester this year to deliver information through Naviance and classroom guidance related to developing your interests/options & meeting personal goals.

Freshmen: Your priority is to get used to high school, learn about your interests, get involved and work closely with Ms. Klaybor, your class counselor. I will collaborate with her throughout the year related to group lessons and plans for your class, but you will not see much of me until sophomore, junior and senior year.

Please refer to [my webpage](#) or [virtual office](#) for more details related to all of the info shared here. If you want to reach me, email is the quickest way to do so. Send your message to erinn.murphy@cchsl65.com and look for a reply within 48 hours.

Looking forward to a great year ahead,

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