

District 219 to hold annual College Night Thursday in Niles North auditorium

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District 219 college counselors invite Niles West and Niles North seniors and their parents to attend College Night in the North auditorium on Thursday, Sept. 7, 7-9 p.m.

College Night is a free presentation given by College and Career counselors Daniel Gin (West) and Donna Virklan (North). Virklan and Gin will inform students and aid them in their search to help students find the right college.

According to Gin, their main focus will be on tips that will help students navigate the college application process. Gin and Virklan also plan to discuss financial aid, to provide updates, to explain the college application process and to answer seniors' questions.

The district will also hold its annual College Fair in April, at which over 200 colleges will be represented. Gin states that unlike the informational night, all grades will be invited to attend the College Fair. The fair allows students to interact with representatives from colleges of their choice and to discover new colleges about which they might not have been aware previously.



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This marks the second year for the current college assistance schedule. Prior to last year, the College Fair was always in the beginning of the school year. Gin says the main reason for this change was that holding the fair in the fall was too late for many seniors. The fair is now aimed more to sophomores and juniors, so that they have the summer to think about which college they would like to attend.