

CARROLLTON HIGH SCHOOL

1. Career Exposition-

All sophomores research a career of their choice and produce a career display board with a brochure. The career boards are decorated and filled with career information including job skills, education, wages and employment outlooks. The brochure contains similar information for visitors to take with them. Both items are on display in the gymnasium for the one day.

2. Junior Pennant Designs-

All the juniors participate in a career unit as part of their Language Arts curriculum. The unit is comprised of many activities that are part of a booklet that they complete. One of the "more visual" activities is making a pennant. The pennant shape resembles college pennants and the students create a collage of their future. What job they see for themselves, what higher education they see, and etc.

3. Senior Campus Visit-

One day in late October is designated "Warrior Campus Visit" day. All seniors are encouraged to use that day as opportunity to visit colleges. Seniors may ride one of the four busses provided or drive themselves. Teachers are asked to chaperone students on the busses. (This year the Akron waived the application fee for all the seniors that visited that day.

4. Graduate Day-

Carrollton High School graduates are invited to speak in all the high school classes for a day. Each teacher allows their "buddy graduate" to speak to the class for 10-15 minutes about their college experience. Then the teacher is allowed to share their experience before students may finish with questions. We use the day before Christmas break because the graduates are available and the teachers are very willing to open their classroom.

5. ACT / SAT Preparation Course-

We found the test preparation courses to be very expensive for our students so we looked into starting our own version as part of our elective course offerings. We currently have a semester course that covers test preparation techniques and practice.

6. Financial Aid Evening Event-

We have sponsored an evening meeting for parents to review college financial planning. A local college financial aid advisor is present to answer questions and provide additional resource materials for parents.

7. Senior Recognition-

We have white stars printed with the graduation year on it for seniors to put their senior picture on and their future education/ training site. These stars are displayed in a showcase with graduation decorations. We also put them with their career passports (vinyl folders) which holds their important papers (acceptance letters, scholarship letters, recommendations, etc.) that they receive at the senior assembly. At the assembly, we recognize all the local scholarship recipients and the community donors are here for that part.

8. Grant Transition-

Our OACHE grant funding has been picked up by a local organization who became very active with some of our OACHE grant activities and with scholarship assistance. The organization has been very supportive and generous with their funding.