
SENIOR PARENT NIGHT

Collinwood Middle and High School

Cleveland, Ohio

Senior Parent Night celebrates families and students as they focus on postsecondary planning for students in their senior year. The evening opens with a brief welcome from the Action Team for Partnerships (ATP) chair and a presentation of upcoming partnership activities. Parents receive a handout announcing a January meeting to discuss financial aid and scholarships. Students present a special tribute to parents, and the ATP provides gifts to parents and students and holds a reception at the end of the evening. For the past ten years, Senior Parent Night has been providing parents of seniors with information about college admissions requirements; placement tests; the SAT/ACT; proficiency requirements and tutoring; job opportunities; military options; and senior class responsibilities. The senior advisor, the head guidance counselor, the Cleveland Scholarships Program, and the senior class work together to make the evening a success.

At the January meeting to discuss financial aid and scholarships, presentations are made by the local community college to describe the 2+2 Program. 2+2 provides scholarship money to students who enter community college first and then transfer to specific four-year institutions. Parents receive a packet of information from Quality Education for Minorities, located in Washington, DC, that includes information about different college programs throughout the country. The Cleveland Scholarship Program Advisor demonstrates how to fill out the FAFSA form. If parents are unable to attend this meeting, students can come to hear the information.

Due to the success of both Senior Parent Nights, they are part of the 2001-2002 school calendar of activities.

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