

CRITICAL INFORMATION FOR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS FOR PARENTS OF EGRHS SENIORS

We are pleased to continue to offer **Family Connection**, a service designed especially for students and families. Family Connection is a comprehensive website that you and your child can use to help in making plans about colleges and careers. Family Connection is linked with Naviance Succeed™, a service that we use in our guidance office to track and analyze data about college and career plans, so it provides up-to-date information that is specific to our school. Family Connection will allow you and your child to:

- **Get involved in the planning and advising process** – Build a resume, complete online surveys, and manage timelines and deadlines for making decisions about colleges and careers.
- **Research careers** – Research hundreds of careers and career clusters, and take career assessments like the Do What You Are® test.
- **Research colleges** – Compare GPA, standardized test scores, and other statistics to actual historical data from our school for students who have applied and been admitted in the past.
- **Request Transcripts and Teacher Recommendations** – Family Connection enables each student to electronically request transcripts and teacher recommendations for all of the colleges and universities to which they apply.
- **Track College Applications** – Track the sending and receipt of transcripts and teacher recommendations, as well as the application status.

Family Connection also lets us share information with you and your child about upcoming meetings and events, scholarship opportunities, and other resources for college and career information. To visit our school's Family Connection site, use your browser to connect to: <http://connection.naviance.com/egrhs/>. Students have had an opportunity to use Family Connection in their English classes for the last several years.

Students will use their Skyward username and password to access their Family Connection account, which is separate from the parent account. If you are interested in having a parent login, please contact Carolynne Allaben in the Guidance Office.

We hope that you will find this resource helpful. If you have further questions about Family Connection, please contact the Guidance Office at 616-235-7594.