***Senior Autobiography – Class of 2024***

*Feedback from college admissions counselors has confirmed that school counselor letters of recommendation are most helpful when they are specific and storied. A counselor’s letter of recommendation should provide information and impressions an admissions counselor cannot glean from the rest of the application. As you complete this autobiography, please try to give a complete sketch of who you are as a student and the context of your accomplishments. Support your answers with facts and anecdotes whenever possible.*

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**Personal E-mail address**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**Counselor**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Family Background Information**

**Father/Guardian**

School or College Attended:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mother/Guardian**

School or College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Siblings:**

First Name Age: College Attended and Date of Graduation:

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Is your home bi-lingual? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what language is spoken: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Where were you born? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(City, State, Country)

In what grade did you enter the Katonah-Lewisboro School District: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Answer the questions on the back of this form as thoroughly as possible.***

***Please type your responses on a separate piece of paper and don’t forget to place***

***your name at the top of the document.***

***RETURN YOUR SENIOR AUTOBIOGRAPHY TO YOUR COUNSELOR BY E-MAIL OR IN PERSON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT NO LATER THAN June 1st.***

***Please answer the following questions as completely and as honestly as you can.***

***Your responses must be typed on a separate piece of paper.***

***Please be certain to place your name at the top of your document.***

1. What three adjectives do you believe best describe the person you are today? Please focus on those characteristics you see as your strengths.
2. What sorts of things REALLY interest you? Do you have any special hobbies?
3. Think of your closest friend. If you had to ask that person to write your college recommendation how do you think he/she would describe you?
4. Which of your high school courses have you enjoyed the most? As best you can, please explain why.
5. At this time, have you considered a college major or career area to pursue? If yes, please describe.
6. One of the lessons we learn in life is that things don’t always turn out as planned? Relate a time when you had this experience and briefly describe how you reacted and what you learned from the experience.
7. As of today, what has been the best part of your experience at John Jay High School?
8. How are you different from the person who began HS in 9th grade, and identify a person, an experience or an event that influenced that change?
9. Please describe in detail how you spent your summers throughout HS.
10. Please list and describe IN DETAIL, your involvement in any outside of school activities (i.e. employment, community service, sports, theatre, activities, clubs, family responsibilities, etc…). Please share why you find these activities meaningful and what role you played.
11. Other than what you have shared thus far, are there any family or personal circumstances for which I should be aware that may have impacted you?
12. For all Humanities Research & Science Research students, please provide an abstract or summary of your research. Include your mentor and location of your summer internship.