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Welcome Back, CLASS OF 2024!!!

We hope that you had a safe, restful, rejuvenating summer and are ready to have a fabulous senior year!

It is very important to stay organized. Make sure you can log onto the following accounts:

- -Naviance
- -CommonApp
- -College Board
- -Microsoft Teams



Ready to apply?? Application directions and links to important sites are on our website!

https://www.alhs.nyc/groups/82914/colle ge_office/college_office Please be sure to keep all of the usernames and passwords in a safe place.

Make sure you know your deadlines and adhere to them!

The college office will be scheduling senior appointments and class visits soon! Look out for your appointment.



Many colleges have gone TEST OPTIONAL!!! However, if you are applying to a selective or accelerated program, check with the college to see if the SAT or ACT is still required.

Still want to send a great score? DO IT!!!

Still want to increase your score? Register at www.collegeboard.org Contact Ms. Procida in the college office or via email for your fee waiver code: dprocida@schools.nyc.gov

IMPORTANT TEST DATES: (Seniors should finish testing by November!)

ACT Dates: 10/28, 12/09

SAT Dates: 10/07, 11/04, 12/02

Looking for the list of test optional schools? Go to www.fairtest.org

Test Prep: www.xaverian.org 718-836-7100; www.methodtestprep.com; www.kaptest.com

www.princetonreview.com; www.theivykey.com; www.varstitytutors.com

WELCOME NEW COLLEGE ADVISORS!

We have additional staff who will be meeting with you! Please check your appointment passes so you know who you are meeting with. Rooms 223A and 223 are right next to each other $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{U}}$

Mrs. Kelly- 223A Mrs. Johnson- 223A

Mrs. Ramos- 223 Mr. Gabbidon- 223

Ms. Jean- 223A



Abraham Lincoln's College Fair will be on October 12th. Stay tuned for details!

SUNY College Fairs:

https://engage.suny.edu/portal/suny_college_fairs

10/01, 10/05

Big Apple College Fair:

https://www.bigapplecollegefair.com/collegefairregistration

10/08 1:00pm - 4:00pm at Jacob Javitz Center

Long Island Fall College Expo:

https://www.collegefairguide.com/long-island-fall-college-expo

10/03 5:30pm-8:30pm at Adelphi University

Malcom Bernard HBCU Fair

https://www.hbcu-cfnj.com/

11/11 11am-3:30pm at Riverbank State Park

New York Black College Expo in Brooklyn:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/12th-annual-new-york-black-college-expo-in-brooklyn-free-tickets-663409524747#:~:text=Join%20us%20for%20our%2012th,H elp%20you%20need%20to%20SUCCEED!

10/03- Medgar Evers College 10am-4pm 1650 Bedford Ave, Brooklyn, NY

2023 NYPL Annual College Fair:

https://www.nypl.org/events/programs/2023/10/11/nypls-annual-college-fair 10/11 10 AM – 1 PM

SIGN UP ON NAVIANCE TO MEET WITH COLLEGE REPS!

Students who register on Naviance will be sent a zoom link by the college (for virtual visits) or an appointment slip from the College Office.



College Open Houses are happening NOW!!! Check the college's website for information and registration.

COLLEGE WORKSHOPS IN E7 CLASSES:

In order to offer seniors some support during application season, there will be monthly check-ins through the E7 classes. Additionally, face to face advising appointments in the College Office will begin for all seniors. Please look out for your appointment.

September: CommonApp/ Naviance linking

October: Focus- the CUNY application

November: Financial Aid and Scholarships

December:: Final checklist,

January: FAFSA completion

CHECK OUT THESE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES!

Ace Mentorship Program: ACE GNY is a free after-school mentorship program for high school students to learn about careers in architecture, engineering, and construction management. Students join teams led by professional architects, engineers, and construction managers to gain firsthand experience in the design and construction industry. https://acementor.org/students/

<u>Adelphi Discover and Explore Event Series:</u> enriching experiences for high school students that offer an opportunity to discover and explore their passion at Adelphi University. Varied dates.

https://www.adelphi.edu/high-school-students/discover-and-explore/

Bryn Mawr Interview Days: Students who participate in the Bryn Mawr College Interview Day will interview with one of our amazing alumni. Our interviewers are a dynamic group of volunteers who love sharing their Bryn Mawr experiences with prospective students.

<u>Do not hesitate to contact your Admissions Officer or admissions@brynmawr.edu if you have any questions.</u>

https://admissions.brynmawr.edu/portal/ug-virtual-interview-day

Resources for any students and families looking to learn more about Columbia:

On-Campus Outdoor Tours

Virtually Engage with Columbia

Revised 2021-2022 Testing Policy

A Message for Prospective Students

Columbia and Affordability

The Coca-Cola Scholars Program scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship awarded to students in their final year of high school. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, as well as their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities. With the 35th class in 2023, the Foundation has provided over 6,750 Coca-Cola Scholars with more than \$81 million in educational support. 150 Coca-Cola Scholars are selected each year to receive this \$20,000 scholarship. The 2024 application is now open here for students who will graduate during the 2023-2024 academic year. *The deadline to apply is Monday, October 2, 2023, by 5 pm Eastern*.

Connecticut College Explore diversity weekend. Register at

www.conncoll.edu/explore-weekend Deadline is Sept. 15

Nanotronics Career Day- Oct 6 Brooklyn Navy Yard, 63 Flushing Ave, Building 20, Brooklyn, NY 11205.

Nanotronics is an advanced machines and intelligence company that helps customers across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors solve for the unique inspection and process control challenges of precision manufacturing.

There will be informational booths from tech companies around the Navy Yard.

REGISTER HERE: www.bldg20.com

Questbridge College Match- full 4yr. scholarship for low-income students in the top 5-10% of their class. <u>www.questbridge.org</u>

Exploring College Options is a special informational program sponsored by the undergraduate admissions offices of five of the country's leading universities: *Duke University*, *Georgetown University*, *Harvard University*, the *University of Pennsylvania*, and *Stanford University*.

https://www.exploringcollegeoptions.org/

Virtual session Sept. 17th and 18th

Rev. Charles Rice Memorial Scholarships at Ursinus College - Nominations welcome!

awards of \$35,000 per academic year

https://www.ursinus.edu/offices/student-financial-services/grants-scholarships-loans/rev-charles-rice-mem orial-scholarships/

Barnard Bound: https://barnard.edu/admissions/commitment-to-access_Barnard Bound is our signature program for Seniors who self-identify as students of color — Black, Latinx, Asian, and Native. In this identity-based virtual space, we intend to immerse participants in what it means to be a part of the Barnard community.

LIFE Financial Workshops: LIFE will be hosting six workshops for 10 high school seniors to learn

financial principles directly from young professional volunteers from global organizations. The workshops will be fun, engaging, and very educational.

The six workshops will take place after school every other Wednesday from early October to mid December at Sidley Austin, LLP (787 Seventh Avenue) and will include the topics below:

- 1. Budgeting and Saving
- 2. Credit and Understanding "Good" and "Bad" Debt
- 3. Student Loans and Financial Aid
- 4. Investing
- 5. Taxes
- 6. Obtaining Internships and Professional Etiquette

Here is the link to apply - the application closes on Friday, September 15.

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The College Newsletter Staff is:

Looking for editors!!



College Office Mission.....

The mission of the college Office is to help students realize their ambitions, plan for their futures and guide them through the college application process. We want our students to have the tools to make educated decisions that will enable them to be successful in their post secondary lives.

Great Sites for Scholarships!

www.collegeboard.org

www.zinch.com

www.scholarships.com

www.fastweb.org

www.mycollegedollars.com

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.student.naviance.com (under the colleges tab)

Financial Aid Resources!

www.fafsa.ed.gov

www.tapweb.org

www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org

www.studentpc.collegeboard.org

www.studentaid.ed.gov

For a list of colleges that have "no loan" policies:

https://www.edvisors.com/plan-for-college/money-saving-tips/no-loans-colleges

What seniors should be doing now:

- -finalizing their college list and making sure it is reflected on Naviance under 'colleges I'm applying to'
- -checking college deadlines and requirements
- -visiting colleges or taking virtual tours
- -finalizing their personal statement (college essay)
- -registering for the SAT or ACT
- -asking teachers for recommendation letters on Naviance
- -beginning to work on college applications using Commonapp.org or following the college's application directions (if using Commonapp.org, please link the account to Naviance)