

Beacon College Office Weekly Bulletin

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New This Week

Upcoming Deadline - Stony Brook

We are aware that Stony Brook's published Early Action deadline is 10/15. With that being said, SUNY's free application week(s) begins on October 16th. If you submit a Stony Brook application during the free application week(s), as long as your application is complete and your school-based materials (recommendations, transcript) have been received, your application will still be reviewed as Early Action (although the EA option will no longer be available on the Common App after 10/15). The College Office suggests that you apply no later than 10/20 to ensure that all materials have been received, especially for those applying to any honors programs or the STEM scholars program, as additional supplemental essays will need to be submitted in your Stony Brook portal.

Submitting Applications

As a reminder, for ALL schools, you do not need to wait for your recommendations or transcript to be submitted in order to apply. The recs can be sent later and will show up immediately in your file.

Sending Scores

Many colleges will allow self reported scores, however others require you to send them scores though the College Board or ACT in order to have them reviewed as part of your

application. Please make sure to check on each school's website for their application requirements and send scores officially if needed ASAP for EA/ED. If you took the October exam you should send them as soon as scores are out.

Reminders

If you missed any of our presentations from **Senior College Workshop Week**, <u>please watch</u> them on our website!

FREE College Applications - October Only

During the month of October, over 130 colleges and universities throughout New York State are waiving their application fees for **NYS College Application Month** (SUNY/CUNY/private schools)! This means you can apply to multiple colleges without the burden of application fees, making it easier and more affordable for you to pursue your college goals!. **Here** is the list. Notice the three different tabs.

We are unsure if there will be any fee waivers for CUNY after October. Please apply to up to six colleges <u>here</u> NOW.

If you are applying to CUNY **Macaulay Honors** the deadline is **November 16th**. In order to use the waiver please submit your application in October. **You can add your essays after and until November 16th**.

IMPORTANT! Please update any Early Action deadlines in Naviance! The first EA deadline is approaching on October 15th and the College Office requires two weeks' notice (via Naviance) if you are aiming for this deadline at any of your schools to ensure your school-based materials are submitted in a timely manner.

If you have not done so yet, it is also crucial that you **match your Common Application and Naviance accounts** and **release your FERPA authorization** to ensure materials can be sent to colleges on your behalf. If you're having trouble, <u>please review this video</u> and/or <u>these</u> instructions.

Senior College Meetings

Please fill out your Senior Pre-Meeting Questionnaire on Naviance in order to schedule your senior college meeting. Parents/guardians are welcome to join this meeting via Zoom.

Common Application

If you have started your Common Application, please refer to this FAQ and this tutorial video for more instructions.

Financial Aid Night Recording

Missed Financial Aid Night this week? Watch the recording!

Cast-Chance Opportunities

We aim to tell you about any opportunities we hear of as soon as possible. These may be reminders or brand new opportunities that we just received, but please note that they may be due in under a week.

Guilford College Open House

- Visit, take a tour, and learn more about Guilford College on Saturday, October 14th
- Free admission to the school's football game
- Register <u>here</u>

FIT Open House

- Meet faculty and speak with representatives on admissions, financial aid, student life, and more
- The School of Art and Design will have their open house on October 14th
- The Jay & Patty Baker School of Business and Technology, as well as the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences will have their open house on October 15th
- Click here to register now

Macaulay Honors College Virtual Events

- On October 15th, from 2-4 pm, there will be a virtual Open House. Register here!

GENuine Connections

- High school students and older adults (65+) meet weekly over Zoom to help bridge generational divides through various workshop activities
- The next semester begins on October 16th and applications can be found here

Academic Teen Internship Program

- An opportunity to hone leadership skills and provide meaningful service through assisting and building connections with older adults at DOROT on the Upper West Side
- The next semester begins on October 16th and applications can be found <u>here</u>

Heisman High School Scholarship

- This scholarship rewards students who succeed both in the classroom and in their respective athletic endeavor and show leadership in their community
- Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$10,000!
- Find the official flier <u>here</u> and apply by the October 17th deadline <u>here</u>

Mental, Physical, and Academic Health of the College Athlete

- Honest Game is hosting a webinar with Ben Zobrist, Chicago Cubs World Series MVP
- The official title is The Power of a College Athletic Pathway Exploring the Relationship Between Sports Performance, Academic Achievement, and Mental Health
- The webinar will take place on October 18th, and registration can be found here

CUNY Queens College Open House

- Visit campus and learn about academics, financial aid and scholarships, extracurriculars, housing options, and more
- Register for the October 22nd event here



Upcoming College-Related Event

Macaulay Honors College Virtual Events

- Three different Information Sessions will be held, each of which from 4-5 pm. Register for the following below:
 - October 24th
 - November 2nd

Boston University Fall Visit Days

- Prospective students are welcome to a student panel, an admissions case study, and visit one of the colleges. Later on, families have the opportunity to take a tour, eat at a dining hall, and hear from financial assistance
- Registration is available for the visit on October 27th beginning at 9 am

CUNY Lehman College Open House

- Tour Lehman's tree-lined campus, meet new people and learn more about admissions, financial aid and more
- The event will take place October 28th, starting at 9:30 am
- Click <u>here</u> to register

CUNY City College Open House

- Visit City College in person for their Open House on October 28th
- Meet faculty and staff, explore campus, attend workshops and more
- Register at this link

See More Skidmore

- Seniors from underrepresented backgrounds are welcome to visit Skidmore with transportation and meals cost-free on November 10th
- Please register <u>here</u> by October 30th

UK College Admissions Weekly Zoom

- Students and parents welcome to join this weekly informational Zoom on the UK college admissions process
- Join Tuesdays from 4-6 pm at this link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89591528259
- Additionally, you can register for <u>this website</u>, which gives you access to a plethora of information on UK admissions and access to personal meetings

Bryn Mawr Interview Days

- These virtual events give students the opportunity to interview a member of the Bryn mawr alumni
- Five different interview days are taking place, once a month, from September to January
- Click <u>here</u> to register

Fall for Tufts

- Tufts' signature virtual open house includes student panels, mock classes, admissions sessions, and more
- Further details and registration can be found <u>here</u>

Extracurricular & Internship Opportunities

Atlas Private SAT Tutoring

- The final opportunities for SATs are around the corner. If you're in need of private tutoring, check out Atlas, using 2025PT as a discount code for \$100 off. Register here

Matriculate - Free College Advising

- Matriculate provides free one-on-one college advising to high-achieving, low-income students
- If you are interested in receiving support, please apply <u>here</u> by October 31st

Bennington College's Young Writers Awards

- All high school students may enter the competition in either poetry, fiction, or nonfiction
- Prizes are up to \$1,000 and both finalists and winners are eligible for scholarships of up to \$60,000 at Bennington
- Please find an informational poster <u>here</u> and the links to apply by November 1st <u>here</u> for online and <u>here to submit by mail</u>

Greenhouse Scholars

- This program focuses on a community change model, aiming to use education as an equalizer for income differences
- High-performing and under-served high-school students have the chance to join a successful community of young people affecting positive change in their communities
- Learn more and apply <u>here</u> by November 21st

Free SAT Prep Class

- Aegis Prep is running two free classes on Saturdays and Sundays from 1-2 pm
- Please visit their website for more details
- To register, simply email <u>aegisprep@gmail.com</u> for a form

Sci-Inspire at Columbia University

- Complimentary tutoring service from Columbia students for high schoolers pursuing STEM subjects
- Tutors are highly accomplished and selected carefully
- Sessions take place on Tuesday evenings
- Learn more about registration here

GlowNew

- An organization supporting women in homelessness by providing comprehensive makeovers and care packages
- In search of passionate students to start GlowNew chapters in schools leadership experience, volunteer opportunities, awards, and online internships are all available
- Learn more <u>here</u>

Banson NYC High School Fashion Summer Camps

- A chance for high school students to learn the fundamentals of the fashion industry from an insider perspective
- Students will stay in a midtown hotel with visits, seminars, and activities planned for each day
- Summer 2024 camps will be taking place in late June and mid-July. Please follow this link for more details

Let's Get Ready

- This free mentorship program is targeted at juniors and seniors looking for support throughout their college transition
- For seniors, weekly texts from a mentor will help with applications, financial aid, and enrollment decisions
- For juniors, LGR offers weekly texts and monthly workshops, along with future SAT prep programs
- Visit <u>the website</u> to apply and learn more



Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Scholarship

- This program recognizes one student from each participating high school in NYC by awarding them \$500
- The scholarship goes to a senior who exhibits dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism, you have the chance win and then go on to further competition for a grand prize of \$5,000
- If you are interested in pursuing this opportunity, which you can learn more about here, please reach out to your college counselor for more details
- Latest date to submit an application is November 10th

Windward Spirit Scholarship

- Open to any high school student who is striving to make a difference
- 16 different winners will receive \$3,000 each
- Visit <u>this website</u> to learn more and apply by November 15th

The Cooke Foundation College Scholarship Program

- The largest undergraduate scholarship program available to those with financial need is accepting applications
- Scholars may receive up to \$55,000 in relief, as well as personal education advising, graduate school funding, and connection to a network of current scholars and alumni
- Seniors with at least a 3.5 GPA and financial need should learn more and apply here by November 16th

The Bronfman Fellowship

- A summer in Israel, along with a year-long experience, in which students go on a transformative journey
- Applicants must be 11th graders from any one of a wide range of Jewish backgrounds
- Find more info and apply <u>here</u> by December 4th

Raymond J. Rue Memorial Scholarship

- This scholarship is intended to provide aid to students' whose families and lives have been impacted by gun violence
- Applications are due April 30, 2024
- Please follow <u>this link</u> to apply

Other Scholarship Resources

www.fastweb.com

