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## New This Week

### **November 1st Deadlines & Naviance**

If you are applying to a school with an application deadline of 11/1, but you have not yet added this to your Naviance account, we cannot guarantee that your materials will arrive on time. Please make sure to update this information ASAP and email your counselor so they can ensure your recommenders are aware of your new deadline.

### **Attention Early Decision Applicants:**

If you are applying Early Decision, please be aware that once you select this deadline for your ED school on the Common Application, a new tab will appear under "Recommenders and FERPA" for that school indicating a required parent signature. You will need to add a parent's email address, at which point they will be sent a link to approve your binding Early Decision agreement. You will be able to submit your application prior to your parent's signature, so we encourage you to double-check that the parent signature requirement is complete prior to the ED deadline.

Additionally, if the CSS Profile is required for your ED school, please check the school's financial aid deadline. Your CSS Profile may be due on or around November 1st.

# Reminders

## **IMPORTANT! Please update any Early Action deadlines in Naviance!**

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.

## **Stony Brook - Early Action**

We are aware that Stony Brook's published Early Action deadline was 10/15. However, 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).

## **Submitting Applications**

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 through 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.

## **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 [here](#) 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.**





## Last-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.

### 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](#)

### 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](#)

### Virtual 1-on-1 Career/College Counseling

- Schedule a personal 20 minute session through the New York Public Library
- All of the dates are Tuesdays, as follows: **October 24th**, October 31st, November 14th, November 28th, December 5th, December 12th
- Spots are limited, so sign up [here](#)

### Supplemental Essay Meet and Greet

- Learn the tips and tricks of supplements and the experience of meeting with admissions counselors
- The event will be at the Goddard Riverside Options Center on **October 25th**, from 4-6 pm
- RSVP [here](#)

### Lafayette's Our Beloved Community

- The goal of this campus visit program is for students from underrepresented backgrounds to have the ability to learn about Lafayette's community through campus partners, professors, and an admissions interview
- The event is scheduled for December 1st-2nd
- Follow [this link](#) to apply by **October 26th**

### 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 [here](#) 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](#)



## **Upcoming College-Related Events**

### **See More Skidmore**

- Seniors from underrepresented backgrounds are welcome to visit Skidmore with transportation and meals cost-free on November 10th
- Please register [here](#) by October 30th

### **'Berg Belong at Muhlenberg College**

- An overnight visit program where students and a parent have the chance to meet with students, faculty, and various administrators
- The program will take place from November 17 - November 18, which is also Muhlenberg's Fall Saturday visit day
- Apply by October 30th at [this link](#)

### **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 [this website](#), 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 [here](#) 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 [here](#)



## Extracurricular & Internship Opportunities

### 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 [here](#)

### 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 [the website](#) to apply and learn more



## Academic Prep Resources

### 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 [here](#) by October 31st

### 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 [here](#) 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 [aegisprep@gmail.com](mailto:aegisprep@gmail.com) 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](#)



# Scholarships

## **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 [here](#) and the links to apply by November 1st [here for online](#) and [here to submit by mail](#)

## **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 [this website](#) 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 [here](#) 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 [this link](#) to apply

## **Other Scholarship Resources**

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.myscholly.com](http://www.myscholly.com)

