

Beacon College Office Weekly Bulletin

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New This Week

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

Important October 1st Information:

- All seniors should have received their transcripts. October 1st is the last day to
 complete the <u>Initial Transcript Hold Form</u> if any changes need to be made before
 your transcript can be sent to colleges.
- 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, please review this video and/or these instructions.

Reminders

Application Procedures

The College office has visited each senior English class over the last two weeks to go over our <u>Application procedures</u>. Please be sure to review this document carefully before submitting any applications.

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 <u>this FAQ</u> and <u>this tutorial</u> <u>video</u> for more instructions.

Apply to CUNY for Free!

Class of 2024 NYC Public School (DOE) graduates will have their fee waived when they <u>submit an application</u> through the month of **October**. You can choose up to <u>six</u> schools!

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.

World Class Study in London

- To learn gain advice and guidance on UK degrees, the advantages of living in London, and the application process, join representatives from Imperial College London and University College London
- Two info sessions are available for attendance:
 - Friday, September 29th from 6-7 pm (hosted by the Lycee Francais de New York)
 - Saturday, September 30th from 11 am 12:30 pm

Yale Multicultural Open House

- Celebrate diversity and inclusion at Yale explore student groups, cultural and resource groups, and more
- Register for the Saturday, September 30th event at this link

Clark Expedition

- An overnight program with opportunities to meet students and faculty, visit classes, and learn about the admissions process
- The experience will take place Sunday, November 5th Monday, November 6th
- Applications are due by October 1st

The Great Expectations National Distinguished Writer Award

- Prizes include up to \$500 and personal professional reviews of a college application essay
- In order to apply, students must also attend a live webinar on September 27th on crafting a strong personal statement
- Applications are due by October 1st please see this flier for more details

Harvard, Princeton, UVA, Wellesley, and Yale

- Representatives from each of the schools above will discuss academics, campus life, selective admissions, and financial aid
- There are multiple dates available:
 - To register for October 1st, please follow this link
 - To register for October 15th, please follow this link

Case Western Reserve University Diversity Overnight

- Designed to give smart and curious high school seniors from diverse backgrounds a look into the opportunities available at Case
- Stay in a nearby hotel, connect with faculty and other prospective students, and engage in extracurriculars
- The program with take place November 12th 13th and the deadline to apply is October 2nd

Reed College Scholars Programs

- Junior Scholars is a comprehensive online program for high-achieving students designed to introduce the college search, help produce competitive applications, and answer unique questions posed by underrepresented students and students of color
 - More details and applications, due October 2nd, can be found here
- Senior Scholars is a year-long program, which begins online and affords students the opportunity to learn about life at Reed and build connections with current members of the Reed community
 - Financial support for admitted students who would like to visit is provided
 - Students must apply Early Decision or Early Action and submit an application by October 15th - more information can be found here

Cornell, Emory, Pomona, Rice, and Washington University in St. Louis

- This consortium of schools is hosting an event for students and families to hear from admissions officers from the schools listed above:
 - Wednesday, October 4th from 7-9 pm in Astoria
 - Registration can be found here

SUNY College Fair

- Join representatives from more than 50 SUNY campuses, explore their tables, and take the chance to listen to various presentations
- The event is on October 5th starting at 4 pm
- Register now at this link

How to Write the UC Personal Insight Questions

- The College Essay Guy is leading a course in UC (University of California) school applications
- Live meetings will happen from October 5th October 12th
- Register at this link and explore the website to learn more

University of Rochester Multicultural Visitation Program (MVP)

- A fully funded campus visit for those who may not otherwise be able to make the trip - includes transportation to and from campus, a residence hall stayover, and other programming
- The program will take place Thursday, November 9th Friday, November 10th
- Learn more and apply <u>here</u> by Friday, October 6th

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
- There are two upcoming dates that you can register for:
 - October 6th beginning at 9 am
 - October 27th beginning at 9 am

School of the Art Institute of Chicago

- SAIC will be in New York to provide information about the school and their application process
- Registration is available the following events:
 - National Portfolio Day on October 7th



Upcoming College-Related Events

Annual College Fair (Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority)

- Meet college representatives, participate in workshops, and receive free SAT prep books, in addition to snacks and other giveaways
- The fair will be on October 7th
- Please see this flier for more information and registration details

Tau Omega Annual College Fair

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The Kenyon Travel Grant

- Embrace the opportunity to visit Kenyon College for free and speak with students and professors alike from November 5-6
- Available to first-generation students, students of color, and those interested in diversity and social justice
- Please reach out to your counselor if you are interested. Nominations are due by October 10th

Bocconi Meets Event

- Meet alumni, including a recent Beacon graduate, from Bocconi University in Milan, Italy
- Current and prospective students will also be in attendance at The Harvard Club on October 12th at 7 pm
- Find more information about the event here

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 <u>here</u> to register now

Macaulay Honors College Virtual Events

- On October 15th, from 2-4 pm, there will be a virtual Open House. Register here!
- Three different Information Sessions will also be held, each of which from 4-5 pm. Register for the following below:
 - October 24th
 - November 2nd

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 <u>here</u>

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 here 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

Pivotal Essay Contest

- Prizes include up to \$15,000 cash and library access
- Topics include Ethics, Policy, and Artificial Intelligence
- The deadline to enter is October 10th, please find more information at this link

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

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 here to submit by mail

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

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

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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 <u>here</u>

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



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>

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

Other Scholarship Resources

www.fastweb.com www.myscholly.com