

College Corner

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Fast Facts

- * You can still apply to colleges that have open or rolling admissions.
- * Once you receive HEOP/EOP forms quickly fill them out and return all requested information back to the colleges.
- * Keep an eye on the mail for your SAR (Student Aid Report), which will have the information that you included on your FAFSA. Review your SAR carefully, and send any changes by mail or web.
- * Contact colleges to



- verify that your application folder is complete.
- * Check the mail for decision letters. Colleges are supposed to let you know their decisions starting this month.
 - * Financial aid letters are sent separately by

- each college that accepts you, and these usually arrive later.
- * Apply for TAP online. After you completed your FAFSA application, HESC will email you a link to the application. Review, sign, and submit.

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FILLING OUT THE F.A.F.S.A

Please come to the College Office, Room 306 for the instructions for the F.A.F.S.A.-On-The-Web Worksheet and Funding Education Beyond High School-The Guide to Federal Student Aid. The F.A.F.S.A. website is www.fafsa.ed.gov. Once you have filed the F.A.F.S.A. a financial aid package by each college will be sent to you. The amount of TAP and PELL will be the same at all the colleges to which you applied, but the College-Work Study and the school aid will vary from

school to school depending on their institutional budgets. How much each school will often depend on how much money the school itself has. Some schools are wealthier than others. Please bring in any financial aid offers or scholarships you receive so that we can make a copy for your file. When we have all the "packages" to look at, we can discuss which school might be best for you.

Special points of interest:

- Bring letters of acceptances to the college office ASAP
- If you haven't apply to college stop by college office to get you started.
- Fill out FAFSA
- Bring in financial aid packages

TAP - Tuition Assistance Program

New York State TAP applications for the state financial aid will be automatically sent to your email account after you submit the FAFSA. A New York State College must appear on the FAFSA in order for an electronic TAP form to be issued.



TAP IS ONLY FILLED OUT WHEN YOU KNOW WHAT NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE YOU WILL BE ATTENDING IN THE FALL 2010. TAP IS ONLY FILLED OUT IF YOU ARE GOING TO ATTEND A PRIVATE NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE, SUNY OR CUNY.

LETTERS OF ACCEPTANCES

Have you been accepted yet? Don't forget to tell us we want and need to know! The College Office needs to make a copy of your acceptances so we can keep a record of it. We will also post your name on the bulletin board and list all the colleges that have accepted you.

Share those "CONGRATULATIONS" letters with us. Check the bulletin board regularly to see where your friends were accepted.



ATTENTION: 18 YEAR OLD MEN

In order to receive financial aid, you must register with the Selective Service within 30 days of your eighteenth birthday. It's easy; just fill out a card at the nearest Post Office or visit their website www.sss.gov. If you are male, age 18-25 and NOT registered, you won't be eligible to receive financial aid. Register today!



Transcript Requests

REMINDER: ALL TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORMS MUST BE BROUGHT TO THE COLLEGE OFFICE FOR PROCESSING.



*Congratulations to all the Los Padres Scholarship Winners! Alejandra Cordero, Stephanie Defrank, Priscilla Flores, Luisa Nunez, & Natalie Perez.

*Congratulations to Patricia Kolakowski for winning the NY1 Scholar Athlete.

*Congratulations Natalie Perez for winning the Horatio Alger Scholarship.