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College Corner

SAT Exam ACT Exam

Saturday, October 10, 2009 & November 7, 2009

If you applied for the SAT by mail, two weeks before the test you should receive an admission ticket telling you where you will take the test. If you don't receive one, please come into the College Office and let us know. If you completed an ON-line Application, you should have printed out your admission ticket.

On the day of the test arrive early and don't forget to bring with you the admission ticket, sharpened #2 pencils and identification. Your GCHS Id is proper identification.

Saturday, October 24, 2009

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FEE WAIVERS Are available Students who cannot afford the SAT or ACT test can

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receive a fee waiver. Documentation of income is required (the 2008 tax return or a budget letter is fine). Students who qualify will not pay for the ACT or SAT. They will also receive fee waivers for up to six CUNY, four SUNY colleges and four private colleges. Please note that there are a limited amount of fee waivers so be sure to bring in your proof as soon as possible.

SAT Prep

LaGuardia Community College is offering Saturdays or after school test prep program. Registration is taking place now. To pick up a brochure visit the College Office. Register by phone 718-482-7244 or online www.peopleware.net/ace.

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APPLICATIONS

SUNY

The State University of New York consists of more than 60 colleges and university centers throughout the state. You can apply to SUNY either online at www.suny.edu or in print. Come to Room 306 during your lunch or free period and pick up a SUNY paper application.

CUNY

The City University of New York consists of 18 colleges, within the five boroughs. In order to apply to CUNY, you must go online to www.cuny.edu.

We will have a separate set of directions shortly.

The Common Application

The Common Application www.commonapp.org is a not-for-profit organization that serves students by providing an admission application online and in print so they can submit to any of their 391 members. Their members represent a variety of institutions: small and large, public and private, coed and single-sex, highly selective and relatively open enrollment.

The college office does receive individual college's applications. However you might have to call the school or visit their website to apply.

The College Office does have fee waiver's for certain college applications. If you qualified for the SAT fee waiver you are eligible receive fee waiver for your college applications. Remember there is a limited number so come up to the college office to pick them up.

Special points of interest:

- SAT OCT 10th & NOV 7th
- College Night Oct 2
- College Visits Oct 8, 13, & 14
- College Open Houses

Grover Cleveland HS COLLEGE NIGHT

Whether you are already planning to attend college or simply evaluating your options, you will not want to miss this informative event! Our Annual College Night will be held on **Tuesday, October 6**, from 6:00pm to 8:30pm in our school's cafeteria. Over 60 colleges will be here representing the CUNY, SUNY and Private colleges of New York. The college admission representatives will be here to provide information about tuition, registration procedures, admission requirements, financial aid assistance and much, much more.

Bring your parents, bring your friends and get your questions about college answered by the representatives.

Come prepared with a list of questions to ask the college representatives. *EX. What activities and services are available to help students get settled (academically and socially) during their first year? How successful are the college's graduates in finding jobs?...*



Don't forget the college's website is good place to get more info about the school you are interested in applying to.

College Visits to GCHS

GCHS will host various college representatives throughout the fall semester and it is your responsibility to know when those visits will take place! These information sessions are designed to give you more specific information about a particular school, the application process, requirements and special programs. These information sessions are going to be scheduled during the school day. If you are interested in attending one of

these college information sessions please come to Room 306 for a pass. Please be advised we can not give out passes for every session.

Swarthmore College OCT. 8th period 8

Adelphi University OCT. 13th period 4

Vaughn College of Aeronautics & Tech
OCT. 14th period 4

Check back with us to find out if any other colleges are coming.

Open House

In addition to high school visits, colleges and universities also host OPEN HOUSES at their campus. These are informal, group gatherings where you will have the opportunity to learn more about a particular college and the admission requirements. If you don't know if the school you plan on applying to has a open house don't be afraid to Call or email the admissions office to get more information.

Barnard College, New York, NY: Oct 4th, 11th, 19th, 25. Register early as

space is limited. www.barnard.edu/admissm to register

Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY: Oct. 25th. RSVP at www.brooklyn.cuny.edu

John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY: Nov.15 for more info visit <http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/>

LaGuardia Community College, Long Island City, NY: Oct 10. Visit <http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu> for more information

Manhattan College, Riverdale, NY: Oct. 25. Register at www.manhattan.edu/



Please take the opportunity to visit each campus you might be interested in applying to!

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New York University, New York, NY: Oct. 24 RSVP @ www.admissions.nyu.edu

Scholarships \$\$\$

Hundreds of thousands of scholarship dollars go unclaimed each year because students do not apply. It's never too early to start applying for FREE money!!! Remember, no one is going to come to you...you need to take the first step and start searching for them today. Web-sites you can visit is www.fastweb.com. The following is a list of scholarships you might be eligible to receive. For more information or to check requirements for each scholarship go to their websites.

· Horatio Alger Scholarship
www.horatioalger.com/scholarships/index.cfm

· Coco Cola Scholars Program
www.coca-colascholars.org

· J.P. Morgan Chase Smart Start Scholarship Program
www.jpmorganchase.com/smartstart

New scholarships will be posted in the College Corner Newsletters each month

as they come in but don't wait for them. Do some research on your own! Use the scholarship folder in the College Office or check on the internet for thousands of new scholarships. Remember, it is YOUR responsibility to find and apply for free money. Don't forget to try these websites too.

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.ezwebsite.org

www.discovercolleges.com

www.hsf.net

College Office Appointments

If you have not done so already come to the College Office to make your appointment so you can discuss your plans after high school. Don't be the last one to schedule an appointment!!! There is only one of me and many of you and I want to spend the right amount of time with each and everyone of you. I will not be able to give you the time you deserve especially if you decide you want to meet with me towards the end of the

year.

Also pay close attention to **deadlines!** It is your responsibility to make sure you hand in everything before it's too late. You might run the risk of not being able to be considered for whatever it is you are applying for. (i.e. scholarship, application to college.)

If you have any questions or concerns and need to contact me you can always

reach me at:

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Please be sure to include your name and official class.

