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2008 DEANS' NIGHT!

COLLEGE COUNSELING'S PREMIER EVENT

By Kathy Housh

Deans' Night is just around the corner. We invite all Upper School parents to attend Monday evening, **February 18th at 7:30 p.m. in the Holliman Gallery**. This year's slate of special guests includes, in alphabetical order, Ray Brown, Dean of Admission at Texas Christian University; Mark Hatch, Dean of Admission at Colorado College; and Peter Johnson, Senior Associate Director of Admissions from Columbia University. They will tell us about a wonderful array of program opportunities at their individual institutions and they will answer questions about admission trends in general. These three universities represent a wide spectrum in size, admission criteria and curricular structure.

Texas Christian University, a private university in Fort Worth, Texas offers a welcoming atmosphere on 237 acres in a residential neighborhood. The "Horned Frogs" have a mid 50% range of test scores in critical reading from 520-630 and math 550-640. With approximately 80 disciplines and a solid core curriculum from which to choose, students have lots of options. TCU's strongest programs include business, nursing, communications, fine arts, psychology and pre-med. Greek life is an important component with nearly 40% of its 7,100 students opting for fraternity and sorority life. Students say that advising is good and that they have a nice balance of academic and social life on campus.

Colorado College is best known for its block plan where students study one subject at a time. This unique approach coupled with a fantastically scenic backdrop appeals to the



COLORADO COLLEGE
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Columbia University



Photo by: Columbia University
photographer, Eileen Barroso



2,000 students currently studying in Colorado Springs, CO. Strong programs at CC include biology, political science, English and psychology. The mid 50% score range is 600-690 verbal and 610-690 math. CC has a 32-course graduation requirement; 18 of these courses may be taken outside a student's major. Students take eight courses per year for three and a half weeks each. Students who love this approach say that it allows them to focus without having to let work in one course go when another course has a more immediate deadline.

Columbia University, a member of the Ivy League, moved to its Morningside Heights location in New York City in 1897. It's long history started when, as "King's College" it was granted a royal charter in 1754. It has become one of the top academic and research institutions in the world. Columbia has a mid 50% SAT score range of 660-760 on both critical reading and math and an ACT composite of 28-33. Close to 10% of its applicants were admitted last year. It is set in one of the great cultural centers of the world and is a good match for the

excellent student who wishes to challenge himself or herself with rigorous academics and city living.

We hope you will come and learn a lot more about each of these wonderful schools. Our guests can answer your general and specific questions and help you in the exciting process of finding a "fit."

BARD COLLEGE

Annandale-on-Hudson, New York
Undergrad: 1,735
Grad: 277
Freshman Class: 498
Mid-Range SAT CR: 680-740
Mid-Range SAT M: 640-690
ACT Composite: ---
Acceptance Rate: 29%
Out of State: 73%
Approximate yearly cost: \$45,632
www.bard.edu

CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA

Hyde Park, New York
Undergrad: 2,750
Freshman Class: 566
Mid-Range SAT CR: ---
Mid-Range SAT M: ---
ACT Composite: 20-26
Acceptance Rate: 63%
Out of State: 77%
Approximate yearly cost: \$29,425
www.ciachef.edu

US MILITARY ACADEMY - WEST POINT

West Point, New York
Undergrad: 4,347
Freshman Class: 1,242
Mid-Range SAT CR: 570-680
Mid-Range SAT M: 590-680
ACT Composite: 26-29
Acceptance Rate: 16%
Out of State: 92%
Approximate yearly cost: \$0
www.usma.edu

MARIST COLLEGE

Poughkeepsie, New York
Undergrad: 5,000
Grad: 850
Freshman Class: 1,000
Mid-Range SAT CR: 530-610
Mid-Range SAT M: 540-630
ACT Composite: 20-26
Acceptance Rate: 49%
Out of State: 48%
Approximate yearly cost: \$33,536
www.marist.edu

VASSAR COLLEGE

Poughkeepsie, New York
Undergrad: 2,400
Freshman Class: 670
Mid-Range SAT CR: 660-740
Mid-Range SAT M: 640-720
ACT Composite: 29-31
Acceptance Rate: 30%
Out of State: 75%
Approximate yearly cost: \$45,200
www.vassar.edu

TRAVELING TALES -

By Brent Casey

The natural beauty of the Hudson River Valley has lent itself to the creation of some of the nation's most picturesque campuses. Last June I, along with two colleagues, had the opportunity to visit five institutions in the valley and four within New York City.

We began our five-day adventure in Annandale-on-Hudson at **Bard College**. This somewhat rural campus, located approximately 50 miles south of Albany, has a distinctive and unique personality. Bard was founded in 1860 as St. Stephen's College for men, and in 1928 become an undergraduate school of Columbia University. In 1934, the name was changed to Bard to honor its founder, John Bard. In 1944, the school went coed, severed its relationship with Columbia and became independent as a liberal arts college affiliated with the Episcopal Church. Its campus architecture, from the wavy roofline of the Fisher Center for the Performing Arts, designed by internationally acclaimed architect, Frank Gehry, to Blithewood Manor, a spectacular mansion and gardens built in 1900 overlooking the Hudson River, is as unique and diverse as its student body, I liked Bard. I found it to be far from mainstream and slightly quirky. A colleague likened our visit to "summer camp among the trees." The terrain is lush and rolls gracefully to the banks of the river. There's an apparent "artsy-ness" to Bard. Strong programs include English and creative writing complimented by the visual and performing arts. (Bard does not require standardized test scores for admission.)

Our next stop was simply - delicious! **The Culinary Institute of America** hosted an extraordinary tour of its first-class facilities. They take to heart the saying, "It's all about presentation." Whether digesting information

about their culinary programs, facilities, or savoring their food, at the end of the day the CIA will leave you feeling pleasantly happy and full. This world-renowned institution offers a bachelor's and an associate's degree in culinary arts management or baking and pastry arts management. This is for the student who is serious about cooking. Planning to be in the area? Don't miss having lunch or dinner in one of five, on-campus, first-class dining facilities. Reservations recommended.

At **West Point**, we were able to take a "back stage" tour of the magnificent



View of Hudson Valley from West Point.

castle-like facilities and see areas inaccessible to civilians. What an amazing place! The history of the Long Gray Line is found in every turn. We thoroughly enjoyed our afternoon at the academy and highly recommend taking a tour if you're in the West Point area. While a military academy is not for every one, if you are interested, it is best to start your file early. The application process needs to begin during the junior year! Each candidate must receive a nomination from a member of Congress or the Department of the Army and pass both a physical fitness test and an official medical examination.

We arrived early one morning at **Vassar College** in Poughkeepsie, New York.

THE HUDSON VALLEY / NYC TOUR OF COLLEGES

Known for over one hundred years as a women's college and for its breathtaking 1,000 acre campus, Vassar is a place where I could have spent the entire day simply walking through, looking at and soaking in history. (For a great trivia and history lesson, find "Vassar Firsts" on the college Web site.) The Thompson Library, arguably one of the most outstanding libraries on any college campus, is stupendous and visually breathtaking. Old Main opened its doors in 1865 and is now a National Historic Landmark. Vassar College was founded in 1861, as the alternative to all-male Harvard and Yale, with the goal of educating bright, intellectual young women. After declining an invitation to merge with Yale, Vassar became the first all-women's college in the country to become coeducational, doing so in 1969. Today, men represent 40 percent of the student body of 2,400. Education, followed closely by other social sciences, reigns supreme at Vassar.

After a short drive through Poughkeepsie, we arrived at **Marist College**. Go to www.marist.edu and you'll find pictures of this beautiful campus located directly on the banks of the Hudson River. Founded by the Marist Brothers as a seminary in 1905, Marist College opened its doors as an independent, private university in 1929. A recent campus



Marist College

in addition is the James Cannavino Library, a \$25 million dollar high-tech library and teaching facility that is truly exceptional. I took picture after picture from the top floor of the library, which overlooks the Hudson River. For those interested in beautiful views of the Hudson River Valley, this campus is chock-full of "Kodak moments."

Marist's top programs include business and marketing, along with an outstanding communications/journalism department. Our tour guide was well on her way to a career in television as a reporter! Her passion for the school was evident in her superb presentation of Marist. I like to see this type of loyalty in a campus' student body. Notably, Marist's president of 28 years, Dr. Dennis Murray, has been an integral part of this campus' growth, leading Marist from a small regional college to a national contender. Today, approximately 5,000 students call Marist home. I would comfortably recommend that a student who is interested in a small to mid-size college on the east coast without an east-coast attitude or price tag, look at Marist.

We said goodbye to the Hudson Valley and made our way south to New York City. For the next two days, we traversed New York visiting New York University, Fordham University, Barnard College and Columbia University - four favorites. An applicant to any big-city college might begin to notice a trend. Big-city colleges have big-city appeal and, by default, become more competitive.

The slogan, "I ♥ NY" works for me regarding NYU. The main campus, in the heart of Greenwich Village, is non-traditional in the sense that its

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

New York, New York
Undergrad: 21,000
Grad: 16,500
Freshman Class: 4,750
Mid-Range SAT CR: 600-700
Mid-Range SAT M: 610-710
ACT Composite: 27-31
Acceptance Rate: 36%
Out of State: 72%
Approximate yearly cost: \$45,200
www.nyu.edu

FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

New York, New York
Undergrad: 7,700
Grad: 5,500
Freshman Class: 1,722
Mid-Range SAT CR: 550-650
Mid-Range SAT M: 550-640
ACT Composite: 24-28
Acceptance Rate: 47%
Out of State: 50%
Approximate yearly cost: \$41,895
www.fordham.edu

BARNARD COLLEGE

New York, New York
Undergrad: 2,350
Freshman Class: 556
Mid-Range SAT CR: 640-740
Mid-Range SAT M: 640-710
ACT Composite: 29-31
Acceptance Rate: 26%
Out of State: 66%
Approximate yearly cost: \$45,520
www.barnard.edu

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

New York, New York
Undergrad: 4,200
Freshman Class: 1,022
Mid-Range SAT CR: 660-760
Mid-Range SAT M: 660-760
ACT Composite: 28-33
Acceptance Rate: 10%
Out of State: 74%
Approximate yearly cost: \$45,814
www.college.columbia.edu

JUNIOR PARENT NIGHT
MONDAY
JANUARY 28, 2008
7:00 P.M.
UPPER SCHOOL COMMONS

If you are the parent of a junior, don't miss the first big event of the College Counseling Year!

Join Kathy Housh, Brent Casey and Ronda Cooper for a general session highlighting "The College Counseling Handbook." Parents of juniors will receive a personal copy of this exciting, informative handbook along with the parent questionnaire, a transcript release card and ample information on how the college search and application process will work.

In addition to the general session you may choose two topics from our breakout sessions listed below.

- Advantages of the Small Liberal Arts College Education - John Corso, TU
- State University Admissions Requirements – Mandy Mathes, OU and Lindsey Schneider, OSU
- The Rules of Athletic Recruitment – Steve Heldebrand
- How to Visit a College Campus and How to Interview – Brent Casey and Ronda Cooper

We look forward to meeting all of our junior parents and to the start of another productive and informative college search season.

BOOK REVIEW:

"COLLEGE KNOWLEDGE REVISED"

by Kathy Housh

The book I initially intended to review for this edition of the newsletter is "College Knowledge," by David T. Conley. It deals mainly with the curricular requirements necessary to make sure secondary students are well equipped for the rigors of college academics. While the author makes very valid points about concepts he feels are central to specific subject matter; the overall point is one I find to be particularly interesting to Holland Hall parents – one involving our own recent curricular changes. I refer specifically to the move to replace some College Board Advanced Placement courses in favor of thematic, interdisciplinary courses in language arts and social studies or advanced topics in science and Latin. So, while this particular book turns out to be one of more interest to department heads, it prompts my writing about this topic and a session I recently attended at the College Board's own National Forum in New York. A session that ironically, in light of the fact that AP courses are an invention of the College Board, dealt with the move away from AP.

Advanced Placement courses have impacted curriculum across the nation and many times, in schools without the advantage of strong curriculum development have set a standard of tremendous help to students. That said, in schools where curriculum is updated, analyzed and amended by departments cognizant of recent research and trends, an AP course might be kept where it is still felt to be valuable and replaced when another course is felt to better meet students' needs. The question for many parents and students becomes, "How will colleges and universities react to this trend and will it hurt chances of being admitted?" The answer according to Bill Fitzsimmons,

Harvard's Dean of Admission and Ted Spencer, Associate Vice Provost and Executive Director for Undergraduate Admission at The University of Michigan is a resounding "No."

Spencer and Fitzsimmons were the "experts" in a professional development session for counselors. The session was a joint effort by an independent school college counselor and the deans. This independent school is one of an increasing number who have recently taken AP courses out of their curriculum altogether. The deans reiterated the basic rule of transcript evaluation – they want to see that an applicant has taken the most challenging curriculum in which he or she can be successful. As always, they ask every secondary school to include, with applications, a curriculum sheet listing all courses offered and designating the level of course difficulty. Below is a short list of the many universities who were not concerned about the lack of AP on a student's transcript.

Amherst	Emory
NYU	U. Miami
Bates	Furman
Penn	Boston U
Georgetown	Princeton
Brown	Hamilton
RPI	Harvard
Rice	Columbia
Kenyon	Cornell
Stanford	Davidson
Duke	Tulane
Trinity	Williams

As more and more universities rewrite curriculum to insure they are teaching critical thinking skills necessary in an ever-shrinking world culture and econ-

Congratulations to our National Merit Scholars



Congratulations to our 2007-08 National Merit Semi Finalists.

Congratulations to Holland Hall's 2007-08 National Merit Commended Scholar and National Achievement Scholar.

omy, we can be glad that Holland Hall is on the forefront of this effort on the secondary level. We can also be glad that interaction with deans of admission at national conferences and programs like Deans' Night keeps Holland Hall's name and academic reputation on their radar.

But, back to the book – I quote its jacket “Although more and more students have the test scores and transcripts to get into college,

far too many are struggling once they get there. These students are surprised to find that college coursework demands so much more of them than high school. For the first time, they are asked to think deeply, write extensively, document assertions, solve non-routine problems, apply concepts and accept unvarnished critiques of their work.” Fortunately it will not be the “first time” for Holland Hall students.

2008 ACT AND SAT TEST DATES

SAT REASONING TEST
AND SAT SUBJECT TESTS:

REGISTRATION DEADLINES AND TEST DATES

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
January 26, 2008	December 26, 2007	January 4, 2008
March 1, 2008 - SAT Only, No Subjects	January 29, 2008	February 7, 2008
May 3, 2008	April 1, 2008	April 10, 2008
June 7, 2008	May 6, 2008	May 15, 2008

ACT: REGISTRATION DEADLINES AND TEST DATES

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
February 9, 2008	January 4, 2008	January 5-18, 2008
April 12, 2008	March 7, 2008	March 8-21, 2008
June 14, 2008	May 9, 2008	May 10-23, 2008

Students may register online for the SAT by visiting: www.collegeboard.com and for the ACT by visiting: www.act.org.

Test Dates are also available on the College Counseling page on the Holland Hall Web site.

SENIORS: SPRING SEMESTER DEADLINES

Application Due Dates:	Must be in the College Counseling Office by:
January 15 or 20, 2008	January 7, 2008
January 31 or February 1, 2008	January 10, 2008
February 15, 2008	January 25, 2008
March 1, 2008	February 7, 2008

*If deadlines are missed, we will process applications in the order in which they are received.

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buildings are truly high-rises that surround Washington Square Park, a New York City public park. Students at NYU consider the park their “quad.” Student residential housing is guaranteed for all four years. We were able to tour rooms in two residence halls, and by city standards, they are spacious! NYU was founded in 1831 and has grown from a student body of 158, to nearly 40,000 students. As a result of its location, NYU’s strongest programs have traditionally been business/marketing and the visual and performing arts. By the way, NYU is also the largest private university in the United States. I appreciate NYU’s energy and vibrant culture! There is nothing like going to school in the “city that never sleeps.”

An oasis in the midst of the Bronx, **Fordham University** sits peacefully atop Rose Hill. What a gorgeous campus! A Jesuit university, Fordham was founded in 1841 as St. John’s College utilizing the Rose Hill Manor in the village of Fordham (now the Bronx). This campus is the most traditional of the four campuses we toured in New York City. Once again, business tops the list of most popular majors at Fordham, followed closely by the social sciences and the performing arts. From the impressive architecture of Keating Hall to the traditional football stadium at Murphy Field, this inner-city campus has it all. You can take a short train ride into Manhattan from the adjacent Metro North Station, or hop a ride on Fordham University vans to get to Fordham’s Lincoln Center campus. The van service is complimentary to students and runs every 15 minutes between the two campuses. To arrive at campus, we took the subway to the Fordham stop. Note: the subway stop is approximately six long blocks away from the main campus gate. We opted for the Fordham van on the twenty- minute return trip to Manhattan. My tour colleagues



View across Washington Square Park from the Student Center at NYU.

and I agree - this is a college to watch!

Barnard College and **Columbia University** sit poised directly across the street from each other in the upscale Morningside Heights neighborhood of upper Manhattan. Barnard College was founded in 1889, named after Frederick Barnard, then 10th president of Columbia College, who “argued unsuccessfully for the addition of women to Columbia University.” Barnard to this day remains an all-female institution. This small, meticulously appointed campus is home to approximately 550 freshman young ladies each year. Special appreciation goes to our tour guide, Erica, who was from Denver, Colorado, and had me “sold” by the end of the tour. One big appeal for Barnard girls is their full-access to the amenities at Columbia. Erica stated, “We shop their bookstore, eat in their snack-bar, attend their special events and lectures and hang out with Columbia students (a.k.a. boys!) in their quad. It really has the feel of one large campus, yet we can come back across the street and have our own privacy. It’s the best of both worlds!” She proudly adds, “And did you know twenty percent of women in Congress, graduated from a woman’s college?” Public administration and social services top the list of most popular majors, along with psychology and

English.

Columbia University was the first college established in the state of New York and only the fifth established in the original American Colonies. Founded as the King’s College in 1754, the university logo still incorporates the royal crown. There is so much history here, I could write for days. Highly selective, Columbia College admits only 10% of its applicants each year. For a select student, this is a spectacular opportunity. Columbia offers approximately 90 areas of study through the university’s two traditional coeducational undergraduate divisions, Columbia College and The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science. Further opportunities exist with Columbia’s various graduate and professional schools (law, medicine, journalism, business, the arts, etc), as well as through joint programs with Columbia’s School of International and Public Affairs and the Juilliard School. The campus is large but compact. Buildings are numerous and our tour guide, Arianna, could only walk us through the quad and make visual references to certain buildings. We were able to return later in the afternoon and spend more time walking through various buildings. This is an impressive place. *Note: Peter Johnson, Senior Associate Director of Undergraduate Admission at Columbia College will be among our invited guests for Deans’ Night, February 18, 2008.*



Library at Vassar.

Class Corners -

College Prep Is Not Just For Seniors

It's never too early to think about the college process. Read your list and get started.

FRESHMEN CORNER

- Choose classes wisely - make grades your **PRIORITY** - a **MINIMUM** 3.0 GPA allows more choices - most scholarships require a minimum 3.5 GPA
- Think ahead, **ALL** semester and year grades are on your transcript and all will be seen by the college admission's staff
- **READ!** It increases vocabulary and knowledge
- Volunteer, many colleges appreciate the experience
- Look for meaningful volunteer opportunities
- Consider a part-time summer job – choose one that might relate to future majors
- Organize, start a résumé list, it is easy to forget your activities
- Listen for future leadership opportunities announced in morning meeting
- Send parents to Deans' Night February 18, 2008
- Attend College Affaire, March 29, 2008, at Cascia Hall
- Ask what will set you apart from the masses when you apply to colleges?
- Visit – a college tour can always be included with a family vacation, research the area

SOPHOMORE CORNER

- Take the practice PSAT in October, review scores with your parents - try Quickstart@collegeboard.com
- Keep your grades up
- Remember a minimum 3.0 GPA allows more choices
- SET GOALS! Where do you want to be next year? How are your grades? Are

you involved? Will you have the GPA needed for admission?

- Volunteer, everyone will benefit, always update your résumé
- Visit colleges when you travel, they love prospective students, make an appointment, plan ahead, take your transcript and a HH profile
- Show your parents the Visiting Colleges and the Campus Visits handouts you were given during our CC meeting
- Attend the college representatives' meetings on our campus if you have a free mod
- Listen for future leadership opportunities announced in morning meeting
- Lead your peers, do not just be in the club, find a meaningful club and be an officer, show potential
- Consider taking SAT subject tests at the end of biology and the third year of foreign language
- Send parents to Deans' Night February 18, 2008
- Attend College Affaire, March 29, 2008, at Cascia Hall
- **READ!** Some colleges ask what you have read for pleasure and consider your choices as a part of the admission decision
- Find a summer job, it shows discipline, time management, motivation
- Ask what makes you unique

JUNIOR CORNER

- Visit the College Counseling resource room
- Review PSAT scores - try Quickstart@collegeboard.com
- Attend the college representatives' meetings on our campus when you have a free mod or with a signed permission slip from your teacher
- Attend JUNIOR seminar, take the information seriously, it will help as a senior when you prepare college

apps, write essays, complete a résumé, etc.

- Listen for leadership & future scholarship opportunities announced in morning meeting
- Register and take an SAT and an ACT in February or April of junior year. (It is suggested that you complete or be near completion of Algebra II at test time)
- Take an ACT or SAT prep course if needed to improve your test score
- Complete the Junior Parent Questionnaire after Junior Parent's night. This information is helpful throughout the college process
- **RESEARCH** colleges of interest, check HH Web site for links, go to Academics, College Counseling or try Collegeboard (<http://collegesearch.collegeboard.com/search/index.jsp>)
- Take AP Exams in May and SAT II Subject Tests when appropriate – many competitive schools require subject tests and have early deadlines senior year – do not procrastinate
- Keep reading!
- Send parents to Deans' Night February 18, 2008
- Attend College Affaire, March 29, 2008 at Cascia Hall
- Register with NCAA clearinghouse in June if you plan to play college sports
- Prepare for summer, talk to your parents about scheduling college visits; fall is busy
- If you are an artist, musician or stage performer, design your portfolio and make a list of fall audition deadlines
- Update your résumé, be ready for a fast paced senior year, the first big deadline approaches quickly
- Narrow your college list, the average senior applies to five or six colleges

THE IN'S AND OUT'S OF GETTING IN: JUNIOR SEMINAR

Do I want to submit the Common Application or the university's application? What is the difference between Early Decision and Early Action? How do I put my best foot forward when visiting with college representatives or in that college interview? How will my transcript and letters of recommendation be sent if I apply online? These and many other questions about the process of selecting, applying to and getting in college are the subject of Junior Seminar. For those who are not familiar with this wonderfully informative second semester class for juniors, the following syllabus will give you an idea. As part of the course requirements, students will complete a pre-search **questionnaire**, draft a practice **essay**, build a **résumé**, and complete a **Common Application**.

Junior Seminar Syllabus: Spring of 2008

Taught by Ms. Housh, Mr. Casey and Ms. Cooper

Cycle 1 - Introduction - History of College Admission Process taught by Housh, Cooper & Casey

The importance of the Student Questionnaire

Cycle 2 - College Admissions Testing taught by Housh

The facts about ACT, SAT I and II

Cycle 3 - Free Week - College Counselors attend Southwest Regional Meeting of College Board

Cycle 4 - Admission Definitions and Electronic College Search Tools taught by Cooper

The facts about ED, EA, Rolling and Regular Admission, HH College Counseling Web site, internet resources and electronic scholarship searches

Cycle 5 - The Common Application taught by Casey

Introduction to the online application

Cycle 6 - Writing the College Essay taught by Housh

Cycle 7 - Selection Variables and Résumé Construction taught by Cooper

Cycle 8 - College Fairs, Campus Visits and Interviews taught by Casey & Cooper

Cycle 9 - March 17 - 21 - Free Week - Spring Break Tour

Cycle 10 - Case Studies and the Life of a College Application taught by Cooper

Attend College Affaire

Cycle 11 - Financial Aid taught by Housh

The facts about merit and need based aid

Cycle 12 - TBA

Cycle 13 - Transitions taught by Cooper & Casey

What you need to know before you go - campus living, roommate dynamics, getting involved

Cycle 14 - Round Table Discussion taught by Casey

Senior Year Time line

Cycle 15 - AP Exams - No Junior Seminar

Course Requirements include weekly attendance and eight assignments.

COLLEGE COUNSELING CALENDAR

Junior Parent Night

Monday, January 28th 7:00 p.m.

Parents of juniors are invited to attend an evening event full of important information regarding the college search and application process. Break-out sessions covering search criteria, admissions testing, college visits, the recruited athlete and other important topics will be available.

Location: *Barnard Commons*

Deans' Night

Monday, February 18th 7:30 p.m. (time change)

Each year, Holland Hall hosts distinguished Deans of Admission from colleges throughout the country. Our guests discuss important topics and trends related to college admissions. All parents, seventh through twelfth grades, are invited.

Location: *Holliman Gallery*

College Affaire

Saturday, March 29th 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Please attend the annual spring college fair with over ninety colleges and universities represented. All students, ninth through twelfth grades, are invited.

Location: **Cascia Hall** (*new location*)

Freshman & Sophomore Parent College Chat

Sunday, April 13th 4:00 p.m.

Parents of freshmen and sophomores are invited to a casual conversation with the college counseling team regarding the college search and application process.

Location: *SMT Commons*