

# Manhasset High School

## Counseling Department

### May 2017– Reminders and Announcements

#### **Students Taking Advanced Placement Exams are reminded of the following:**

Be sure to read the instructions that were mailed with your registration letter. In particular, be sure to arrive on time for bus transfer to the Unitarian Church.

**AP Scores** will only be released directly to you in early July, via your College Board account. If you do not have an account, please be sure to create one at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

## **Seniors**

### **Scholarship Opportunities**

Applications are still being accepted for the Plandome Fire Department Ned Peyser Memorial Scholarship. To be eligible for this scholarship, a student must be a member of the Plandome or Manhasset-Lakeville Fire Department or be related to a member. This is a \$4,000 scholarship.

### **College Application Results**

As we are beyond the May 1st decision deadline, ***please*** see your counselor to update your file with regard to all application decisions and be sure to let us know where you will be attending school in the fall. Many files are incomplete and we would like to update your account.

Remember to contact any school(s) to which you have been admitted but that you will not attend.

### **Final Transcripts**

In early July your final transcript will be forwarded to the school you will attend in September and to the NCAA Eligibility Center for any student who has requested that we do so. If you aren't sure about your NCAA status, please stop in to review your file. Also, all recruited seniors are required to complete the **Amateurism Statement**.

### **Community Service Verification**

We will be posting a final list of seniors who have documentation for 85+ hours of Community Service. If you believe you have completed these hours, and should receive a Community Service Certificate and graduation cord, please check the list to verify that your name is included. If it is not, contact the counseling office, **immediately**.

### **Community Service Graduation Requirement**

If you have not done so already, please be sure to submit documentation of your 15 hour community service graduation requirement to Mrs. Steindam. Her office is located in the Social Studies department.

## All Students Grades 8-11

### Honor's Override Forms

Override forms are due **on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** and will not be accepted after the close of the school day. When completed, this form must be returned to your counselor.

### Standardized Test Registration

Regular registration dates for the last tests of the school year are:

Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>..... June 3<sup>rd</sup> SAT Administration  
(registration for June 3<sup>rd</sup> testing at MHS is currently closed)

Friday, May 5..... June 10<sup>th</sup> ACT Administration

### \*August 26<sup>th</sup>

Registration is now open for the August administration of the SAT. Test sites are limited so please register as soon as you know you will be testing.

\*Current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students taking the SAT Subject Test in June, please see information under 8<sup>th</sup> grade related to this test administration.

## Juniors

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Conferences

**Reminder:** The last day on which the counselors will be conducting scheduled appointments is May 19<sup>th</sup>. If not scheduled by that date, the next available appointments will be scheduled for the week of June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Senior Autobiography

In a few weeks you will receive a packet containing a Senior Autobiography, Teacher Appraisal Forms, and a Parent Brag Sheet. The Teacher Appraisal Forms should be given to three of your current, 11<sup>th</sup> grade, teachers as soon as possible and the Autobiography **must be returned by the end of June**. Please note, your counselor will not write a college letter of recommendation for you if this document is not returned. The Parent Brag Sheet is appreciated but, not required.

### Community Service Verification Forms

**Reminder:** To receive the Community Service Award Certificate at the end of 12<sup>th</sup> grade, you must complete 85+ hours by the end of this year. If you have accumulated these hours, be sure to bring in the validation forms so we can log them. The verification form is on our web site and is also available in the Counseling Office. Please be reminded that if you completed 100 or more hours for the Presidential Service Award, make sure to provide us with that documentation.

### United States Service Academies

Representative Thomas Suozzi is hosting an information session on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> for juniors who are interested in learning about our service academies (West Point, the Naval Academy, Air Force Academy, or the Merchant Marine Academy). The information session will take place from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Hicksville VFW, which is located at 320 South Broadway, Hicksville, N.Y.

This session will focus on the nomination and application process.

If you have any questions, you can contact Mr. Suozzi's Service Academy Nomination Coordinator, Ed Aulman at [ed.aulman@mail.house.gov](mailto:ed.aulman@mail.house.gov) or at (631) 923-4104

### **NCAA Registration**

Juniors who plan on participating in Div. I or II athletic programs must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center so that we can forward your final junior transcript. At the end of the registration process, please print out the transcript release form and bring it to the Counseling Office.

### **Juniors and Sophomores**

#### **Local College Receptions: Spring 2017**

In addition to the programs listed below, be sure to check the listings on our web-page, and individual college websites, for campus based programs.

#### ***State University of New York (SUNY) College Fair***

Tuesday, May 23rd, 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

SUNY Old Westbury

For additional information and to register, go to: [www.suny.edu/studentevents](http://www.suny.edu/studentevents)

#### **Liberal Arts College Reception**

##### **(8 of the Best Colleges)**

The colleges listed below are hosting a joint reception on Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm at the Hilton Midtown Hotel – 1335 Avenue of the Americas  
Claremont McKenna, Colorado, Connecticut, Grinnell, Haverford, Kenyon, Macalester, Sarah Lawrence  
For additional information go to: [8ofthebestcolleges.org](http://8ofthebestcolleges.org)

#### **Exploring Educational Excellence**

Presented by Brown University, Columbia University,  
Cornell University, Rice University, and the University of Chicago.

This information session will take place on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Uniondale Marriott Hotel on James Doolittle Blvd.

If interested in attending, please RSVP at: [www.exploringeducationalexcellence.org](http://www.exploringeducationalexcellence.org)

### **SAVE THE DATES: Fall 2017**

#### **Nassau Counselors Association College Fair (Date TBA)**

#### **National Association of College Admissions Counselors (NACAC)**

##### **Performing and Visual Arts Fair**

Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

To register, go to: [www.gotomypvafair.com](http://www.gotomypvafair.com)

#### **National Association of College Admissions Counselors (NACAC)**

##### **National College Fair**

Sunday, October 1, 2017 at Suffolk County Community College

Health, Sports, and Education Center, Grant Campus

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

1001 Crooked Hill Road, Brentwood, NY

To register, go to: [www.gotomyncf.com](http://www.gotomyncf.com)

## **National Association of College Admissions Counselors (NACAC)**

### **NACAC STEM College and Career Fair**

Saturday, October 15, 2017

Jacob K. Javits Convention Center

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

To register, go to <http://www.gotomystemfair.com>

### **Testing Accommodation**

## **Sophomores**

### **Looking Ahead**

Between now and the start of the 2017-2018 school year it will be important for you to decide if you will take the SAT or ACT in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. Whichever test you decide to take, please be reminded of the following **free test prep**.

### **Method Test Prep**

You should already be aware that you have access to Method Test Prep (MTP) via your Castle Learning Account. The MTP site will provide you with access to SAT and ACT prep material and two exams of each. The site is designed to allow you to: take a 20 week prep course, study only those topics for which you feel you need additional practice, or take an entire exam. MTP is a great resource for you to begin exploring the differences between the two exams.

### **College Board/Khan Academy**

The College Board has created a partnership with Khan Academy for students who will take the SAT. For information on Khan Academy, go to: [www.khanacademy.org/sat](http://www.khanacademy.org/sat)

### **ACT Online Prep**

ACT offers test prep material on their website, at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

### **October PSAT: Save the Date**

In September, you will be invited to take the PSAT, which will be administered on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, only scores from the 2017 PSAT exam will be used to determine eligibility for the National Merit Scholarship Program.

**Reminder:** PSAT Registration will take place in school and you will receive a letter as soon as we return in September.

Students who receive testing accommodations must be approved to use these accommodations on this, and all College Board exams. If you have any questions about your College Board eligibility, please contact your counselor.

### **Community Service Forms**

Please be sure to bring your signed community service forms to the counseling office. Forms are available on our web site and in the office. **Reminder:** if you submit community service hours to receive the Presidential Award, you must also provide the counseling office with verification of these hours so that they are included in our file.

## Freshman – 8<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Standardized Testing

On Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> there will be a Counseling Department presentation entitled: **Standardized Testing**. The program is designed to review current standardized tests and to discuss how they are used for the purpose of college admissions.

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Auditorium

## Freshman

### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Conferences

**Reminder:** The last day on which the counselors will be conducting scheduled appointments is May 19<sup>th</sup>. After this date, the counselors will be working on schedules for the 2017-2018 school year. As such, conferences cannot be scheduled again until the week of June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please call the counseling office if you would like to schedule an appointment:

Ms. Jeanmarie Scagnelli (267-7612) for Mrs. Fogel and Mrs. Ruthkowsky

Ms. Suzanna Elias (267-7613) for Ms. Steinberg (for Mrs. Cerulli) and Ms. Cosenza

Mrs. Donna Raffo (267-7614) Mrs. Landman and Mrs. Margulies

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

If you have not done so already, please be sure to schedule your 8<sup>th</sup> grade conference with Mrs. Jenny Chen or Ms. Alyssa Zelicof (for Mrs. Caitlin Regolini). These conferences will be scheduled until May 27<sup>th</sup>.

To schedule an appointment, please call Ms. Anita Meyerson at 267-7511.

### June 2017 SAT Subject Test

If you are taking the Subject Test in Biology in June, please be reminded that your score will be automatically purged unless you contact the College Board to keep the score. You will have until the end of July to contact the College Board.

Information related to scores for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students can be found on the College Board web site by searching for "**Special Circumstances**".

### August SAT

\*Please be advised that 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who test in August will be considered 9<sup>th</sup> graders. As such, your score will not be purged and will remain on your College Board score report.

