Counseling Office Newsletter

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BOCES and New Visions Informational Meetings and Opportunities

On Tuesday, February 4, a counselor from BOCES will hold an informational meeting for sophomores interested in learning about the programs available at BOCES. BOCES is hosting student visitation days during the mornings of March 3rd and 5th. Juniors interested in the New Visions programs can visit on Friday, March 6. Students must see their counselor for a permissions slip by February 28 if they want to visit. BOCES will also hold a Open House/New Visions Information Night at their Middle Settlement Road facility on Wednesday, March 11 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. All parents and students are welcome to attend.

College Admissions Informational Meeting for Students and Parents

Please join us on Thursday, March 12th at 7:00 p.m., in the Media Center for an information session on how to jumpstart the college admissions process. Sophomores, juniors, and their parents are invited to attend. College admissions experts from Hamilton College and Mohawk Valley Community College will present strategies to assist you in the college planning process.

AP Exam Payment

Payment for AP Exams are due as soon as possible. The cost for each exam is \$94.00; please make checks payable to CCS. The Clinton Central School grading policy states "A student is obligated to take all AP exams for classes in which he or she is enrolled." Any parent or guardian experiencing financial hardship may apply in writing, to the High School Principal, Matthew Lee, for assistance.

2020 AP Exam Schedule

All exams, except French and Spanish language, will be administered in the Media Center.

French and Spanish language will be administered in the language lab.

Thursday, May 7: Chemistry 8 a.m.

Tuesday, May 12: Spanish Language and Culture 8 a.m. Thursday, May 7: Physics 12 p.m.

Wednesday, May 6: English Literature 8 a.m.

Monday, May 4: US Government and Politics 8 a.m.

Monday, May 11: Chinese Language 12 p.m.

Friday, May 8: US History 8 a.m.

Friday, May 8: Studio Art submit digital portfolios Teachers should have forwarded students' completed digital

portfolios to Coordinators before this date.

Tuesday, May 5: Calculus AB 8 a.m.

Friday, May 15: French Language 8 a.m.

Wednesday, May 13: English Language 8 a.m.

Wednesday, May 6: European History 12 p.m.

Junior Meetings

Counselors will be meeting with juniors during March to discuss senior year and post-secondary plans. Parents are welcome to attend.

College Acceptance Notices

With college acceptance notices beginning to arrive, seniors should be making their decisions as to where they will be attending college next year; many colleges have May 1 deadlines for students to accept or decline admission. When students make a decision to attend a college, they must notify the college at which they will be enrolling in the fall and, if appropriate, accept the financial aid offer. Students should also decline admission to the other schools where they have been accepted.

National College Fair

On Monday, March 16th (5-7:30 p.m.) and Tuesday, March 17, 2020 (9-11:30 a.m.) there will be a National College Fair at the Onondaga Community College, SRC Arena. Students are encouraged to complete a free pre-registration form online at www.gotomyncf.com prior to the fair. Colleges and universities gather student contact information by scanning the barcode obtained from the online registration, allowing students more time to speak with college representatives and less time filling out personal information.

Course Selections Meetings

Throughout March and April, counselors will be working with freshmen and sophomore students to plan their schedules for next year. A course selection sheet will be mailed home to parents in April after students have registered for their classes. The course selection guide will be available online for review at www.ccs.edu on the high school counseling office webpage. Please review the course selections with your child.

\$\$ Scholarships \$\$

Senior students registered for Dollars for Scholars during late January. Visit the High School Counseling Office webpage to gather information about scholarships, deadlines, and application links. We post local and national scholarships and update the site weekly.

Naviance

We are excited to offer all of our students' access to Naviance. This web based platform can help students discover personal interests and research careers, colleges, and scholarships.

Students can access their accounts at https://student.naviance.com/clintoncsd using their student

log in.

Summer Programs

Looking for a college summer program offering? Visit the Counseling Office webpage. There are many great educational options to keep students engaged all summer long.

MVCC College Connection

Mohawk Valley Community College has awarded Clinton High School with a limited number of free classes for students who would like to bridge there for the 2020-2021 school year. Students must have cumulative GPA of "B" and been in good academic standing to be eligible. Please see your counselor if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity.

SAT and ACT

Those students interested in taking the Spring SAT or ACT tests must register directly on the testing agencies websites. The registration deadlines, test dates, and web addresses are listed below.

SAT & ACT Registration and Test Dates

Registration Deadlines Feb 14, 2020 April 3, 2020 May 8, 2020	SAT <u>Test Date</u> March 14, 2020 May 2, 2020 (CHS hosts) June 6, 2020	Website www.collegeboard.org www.collegeboard.org www.collegeboard.org
Registration Deadlines February 28, 2020 May 8, 2020	ACT <u>Test Date</u> April 4, 2020 June 13, 2020	Website www.actstudent.org www.actstudent.org

There are various opportunities for students to pursue SAT and ACT review classes. Students have free online preparation through Khan Academy at www.collegeboard.org that is customized for students who took the PSAT in October 2019.

MVCC will be offering an SAT and an ACT preparation courses. Space is limited-for more information call 792-5300 or visit www.mvcc.edu/cced.

SAT Subject Tests

Various highly selective colleges may require students to complete two or more SAT Subject tests as part of their admissions requirements. There are 20 different SAT Subject tests in the areas of English, History, Math, Science, and Languages. The tests are 1 hour in duration and measure content specific information. Students who need to take SAT Subject tests are encouraged to take these exams upon completion of coursework in the specified content area. For example students enrolled in Chemistry Honors may consider taking the Chemistry SAT Subject test in June. Visit the CollegeBoard website at www.collegeboard.org "Get an Overview of SAT Subject Tests" for more information on the topics covered and for a list of colleges that use Subject Tests.