

Guidance Quick Notes

September 3, 2009

Naviance: Juniors and seniors should access their Naviance account to make sure the email address for both student and parent is correct. Guidance periodically sends out news reminders via Naviance email accounts.

College Rep. visits: Colleges have scheduled a fall visit to the Guidance Department. These visits are listed in Naviance (click on *Colleges*, then *Visits*). Remember to pick up a pass from Guidance at least one day prior to the visit in order to meet with the representative. This is a good way to personalize your application.

To parents of 9th, 10th and 11th grade students who have a school-generated educational plan and are receiving accommodations currently at PVI:

Four months after a student accommodation plan is put into place at PVI, the student may apply for eligibility with the College Board. Documentation of testing done within the last 5 years must also be on file in the Guidance Office. If approved by College Board, this eligibility would assure accommodations for the PSAT, SAT, SAT Subject and AP exams. Each student applies once; the eligibility will be renewed annually so long as the accommodation plan remains active in our school.

Many of our students who have had a plan in place all of this year or longer have not yet applied for College Board accommodations. I suggest that students apply now even though they may not need those national accommodations immediately. The College Board is becoming much more selective in granting requests, and we may need extra time to file an appeal.

Student Eligibility Forms are available from Mr. Kochis in the Guidance Office. Parents and students complete a short section and return the form to Mr. Kochis who will then complete and submit the form. When approved, your student will be given an "SSD" number which you will use whenever the student registers for an exam at a national test center. It will also be used with any exam given here at PVI (e.g. PSAT, AP).

Please have your student see Mr. Kochis for the Student Eligibility Form. You may email questions to dkochis@paulvi.net.



Catholic College Night...2009

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of Northern Virginia

Parents and high school Juniors and Seniors are invited:

Thursday, October 8 at 7:00 PM

Holy Spirit Gymnasium/ Braddock Road in Annandale

Invited institutions: Assumption College; Barry Univ.; Bellarmine Univ.; Belmont Abbey College; Benedictine Univ.; Boston College-Main Campus; Cabrini College; Canisius College; Carlow Univ.; Catholic Univ. of America; Chaminade Univ. of Honolulu; Christendom College; College of New Rochelle; Creighton Univ.; Carroll College; DePaul Univ.; Duquesne Univ.; Fordham Univ. – Rose Hill Campus; Franciscan Univ. of Steubenville; Gonzaga Univ., College of the Holy Cross; Immaculata Univ.; Iona College; La Salle Univ.; Le Moyne College; Loyola College of Baltimore; Loyola Marymount Univ.; Loyola Univ. New Orleans; Marquette Univ.; Marymount Univ.; College of Misericordia; Mount St. Mary's Univ.; Univ. of Notre Dame; Notre Dame de Namur Univ.; College of Notre Dame of Maryland; Providence College; Regis Univ.; Manhattan College; Seton Hall; Univ. of New Jersey; St. Bonaventure Univ.; St. Edward's Univ.; St. Joseph Univ. of Pennsylvania; St. Mary's Univ. of San Antonio; St. Peter's College of New Jersey; St. Thomas Univ.; St. Vincent College; Thomas More College; Trinity Univ.; Univ. of Dayton; Univ. of Portland; Univ. of St. Thomas; Univ. of San Diego; Univ. of San Francisco; Villanova Univ.; Xavier Univ.; Xavier Univ. of Louisiana

Performing and Visual Arts College Fair

Washington DC

Sunday, October 25

1:00 PM- 3:30 PM at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center

Go to www.nationalcollegefairs.org for an updated listing of attending institutes.

Local Open Houses for Out-of-State Colleges:

Boston University

Sunday, September 13 in Vienna

To check times and sign up, go to www.bu.edu/receptions

Washington University in St. Louis

Sunday, September 13

4-5:00 PM at the Sheraton Richmond West on West Broad Street in
Richmond
800.638.0700, www.admissions.wustl.edu

MIT

Thursday, September 17
7:30 PM at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology
<http://web.mit.edu/admissions/falltravel/>

Georgia Institute of Technology and University of Georgia

Sunday, September 20
2:00 – 3:30 PM at National Cathedral School in Washington, DC
www.admissions.uga.edu/infosessions

Tufts

Monday, September 21
7:30 PM- 9:15 PM at Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, DC
TuftsonTourRSVP@ase.tufts.edu

Duke University

Tuesday, October 6
7:00 PM at Flint Hill School/ Upper School Commons
www.admissions.duke.edu

Tulane University

Thursday, October 22
7:00 PM at Tyson's Corner Marriott
1.800.873.WAVE

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2009-2010 Paul VI College Application Process

A transcript request form must be completed for each college application.
Transcripts are \$5.00 each for the first 7 requests; \$10.00 each after the initial 7. *One check can be written for multiple transcript request forms that are submitted at the same time.*

Only 2 letters of recommendation are needed. Students should not delay in requesting a letter from a teacher!

The **Secondary School Report Form** (if the college application has one) for the counselor to complete is submitted at the same time with the transcript request form. **Can't find it?** Then the counselor will use the widely-accepted NACAC form which profiles the student's academic achievements.

FACTS for the 2009-2010 school year...

- Both the Transcript Request Form and the Letter of Recommendation Form are located outside of the Guidance Dept. or can be downloaded from the PVI website-click on *Guidance*. (*Forms are available both in school and on the web*)
- The Paul VI transcript consists of final grades earned each year at PVI and official standardized test scores (PSAT, SAT, ACT, AP). *Students who elect NOT to send test scores can indicate that decision on the transcript request form.*
- Students should include the Paul VI School Code # 470801 when registering for either the SAT or ACT to assure Paul VI receives a copy of the test results. Some colleges do not accept the scores as reported on the high school transcript and require official scores directly from College Board or ACT.
- If a student re-takes either the SAT or ACT **after** Guidance has mailed transcripts, the student must request the new test scores *be mailed directly from the testing service to each college.*
- Since Guidance does not receive the October and November SAT or ACT test results in time for *Early Decision* applications, a student should take advantage of the College Board and ACT service to have scores mailed directly to the college for early decision consideration.
- *No transcript request forms will be accepted after Tuesday, November 17.* This allows ample time to meet college deadlines by processing and mailing all paperwork before Christmas break. Guidance will accept transcript request forms when classes resume in January.
- Submit a copy of all scholarship award letters to Guidance. All awards – whether the student attends the awarding institution or not - are listed in the graduation program.

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CLASS OF 2010

These are the deadlines for your college paperwork....

For a college deadline of:

November 1 (early decision)
December 1
January 1
January 10 and 15

*Submit your
paperwork to Guidance by:*

October 2
October 30
November 17
November 17

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**February 1
March 1**

**January 5
February 2**



Remember to check the *Guidance Grab Bag* for information on scholarships, Open Houses and other items of interest. To access the *Grab Bag*, open the Paul VI website, click on *Guidance* and then use the left-hand drop down menu to locate the *Grab Bag*.