

Catonsville High School
GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER/SCHOLARSHIP LIST
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

WELCOME BACK SENIORS:

The Guidance Counselors will be calling seniors down for individual appointments to discuss your future plans. If you are planning to attend a four-year college it is important that you begin the application process now! Stop by Guidance and pick up the required forms to request transcripts and a letters of recommendation from your counselor and teachers.

SAT/ACT REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Remember seniors, most colleges will only accept SAT/ACT test scores through the December test date. IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO APPLY TO A COLLEGE THAT HAS A DECEMBER 1 PRIORITY DEADLINE YOU MUST TAKE THE SAT BY THE NOVEMBER DATE. Please be aware of registration deadlines to avoid late fees. Pick up a registration packet in Guidance or register at www.collegeboard.com or www.actstudent.org.

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Regular Deadline</u>	<u>Late Deadline</u>
Oct 24 – ACT	September 18	October 2
Nov 7 – SAT	October 1	October 15
Dec 5 – SAT	October 30	November 12
Dec 12 – ACT	November 6	November 20

A Reminder: If you are on free/reduced lunch or on medical assistance you qualify for a SAT and/or ACT registration fee waiver. See your counselor for a waiver.

COLLEGE FAIR:

On Sunday, October 4th College Expos will be hosting a college fair in Timonium, MD at the Crowne Plaza Hotel from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Over 100 colleges will be represented. This event is FREE!! Mark your calendars. For a list of colleges and more information go to www.CollegeExpos.com.

SAT PREP:

The Answer SAT Class will be offered for CHS students at the Bloomsbury Community Center during two weekends; September 26 and 27 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. OR October 24 and 25 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Space is limited so register early. The fee for the course is \$139. Flyers are located in the Guidance Office or pick one up from your homeroom teacher.

College Planning Workshop for Seniors and their Parents/Guardians:

Thursday, October 1, 2009 – 7:00 p.m. – CHS Library – Where, What, When for College Applications! Plan to attend this important meeting. Topics to be discussed: How to get a transcript, letters of recommendation, testing, etc.

College Visits

All visits to colleges scheduled during the school day must be pre-approved by your counselor so the absence is counted as excused. Please get the required form from your counselor or homeroom teacher. See your counselor if you have questions.

CHS College Representative Visits

A representative from the following colleges will be at CHS to meet with interested students. You must sign up in the Guidance Office at least one day in advance to attend the session.

September 24 – Towson University, Radford University, and VA Tech.

September 29 – Dartmouth College

September 30 – Longwood University and UMBC

October 1 – Hofstra University and Goucher College

October 5 – Albright College and Mt. St. Mary's

October 8 – St. Mary's College of MD

Applications for the following scholarships can be picked up in the Guidance Office.

UMBC is looking for potential Meyerhoff Scholars who are awarded up to full four-year scholarships. To be eligible students must have a B average in math and science courses, an interest in majoring in math, science or engineering, and high SAT scores. The deadline for nominations is October 16, 2009. See your counselor to be nominated.

The Elks National Foundation 2010 Most Valuable Student Scholarship application is now available. The minimum scholarship award is \$4,000 and the maximum award is \$60,000. Students must be a US citizen to apply. The following will be considered in the competition: grades/SAT's, employment, community service, honors and awards, and leadership/extracurricular activities. Applications are in the scholarship drawer or download one at www.elks.org/enf/scholars. The deadline is November 2, 2009.

The Dr. Seuss OH, the Places You'll Go! Scholarship is available to seniors graduating in 2010. First place is a \$5,000 scholarship. Submit an essay and you could win. The deadline is February 15, 2010. Flyers/applications are in the scholarship drawer or go to www.ohtheplaces.org.

Boston University announces the 35th Annual Trustee Scholarship Competition to compete for a four-year full-tuition scholarship to Boston University. The deadline is December 1st. For more information go to www.bu.edu/admissions/trustee.

The Burger King Scholars Program is accepting applications for \$1,000 scholarships. You must have a 2.5 GPA, work at least 10 hours per week for 40 weeks a year (employment at Burger King IS NOT required), and demonstrate financial need and community service. The scholarship can be used for two or four-year colleges and vocational or technical schools. Pick up a flyer in the scholarship drawer and go to www.haveityourwayfoundation.org to apply.

Towson University is looking to award scholarships to students who are in the Top 10% of the senior class and have applied to Towson by December 1st. For more information contact Brian Leak at 410-704-2113 or email him at bleak@towson.edu. Flyers are in the scholarship drawer.

SunTrust is offering a chance for seniors to win \$1,000 scholarships. There will be fifteen chances to win with one winner every two weeks from October 30th to May 14, 2010. Pick up a flyer from the scholarship drawer. Apply on-line at www.offtocollege.info or www.suntrustededucation.com beginning September 14, 2009.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation awards scholarships to high school seniors. You must complete an on-line application at www.coca-colascholars.org by October 31st. Students will be evaluated on school leadership, commitment to the community, academic achievement and part-time employment.

Wendy's Restaurants and the Heisman Memorial Trophy Committee have established the Wendy's Heisman Award Program for high school seniors who have at least a "B" average and participate in at least one school-sponsored sport. Hurry!!! – Applications must be completed on-line by October 1, 2009. Pick up a flyer from the scholarship drawer.

Contact the Guidance / Student Services department for more information. Call 410-887-0809 or visit catonsvillehs.bcps.org, Students, Departments, Guidance.