

# College Counseling Crier

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Upcoming Standardized Test Dates

#### **ACT Test Dates\***

September 10, 2022

October 22, 2022

December 10, 2022

February 11, 2023

April 15, 2023

June 10, 2023

July 15, 2023

#### **SAT Test Dates\***

October 1, 2022

November 5, 2022

December 3, 2022

March 11, 2023

May 6, 2023

June 3, 2023

\*If you will be taking these tests with accommodations, please contact <u>Mrs. From</u>

## Getting Comfortable with the Crier

The College Counseling team is excited to welcome our Upper School families and students to the 2022-2023 academic year. As we continue to send our monthly newsletter, please pay special attention to the column on the *left*, which always has the upcoming standardized test dates and any other "Save the Dates" for forthcoming College Counseling-related programs and events. Additionally, any bolded, underlined text in <u>this color</u> is a hyperlink; we may use this for a specific article or a direct link for a college website for you to explore.

\*\*\*For our upperclassmen families, please pay special attention to the upcoming ACT and SAT dates, some of which *differ* from the printed school calendar. The dates listed here are the most accurate.

### Welcoming Ms. Monroe-Myers to the CC Crew



Last spring, our office welcomed Ms. Jenna Monroe-Myers, an Associate Director of College Counseling, to the College Counseling team. Ms. Monroe-Myers joins Bullis with eight years of experience in the field; most recently, she was the Associate Director of Admissions and Director of Campus Programs at Georgetown University. She is a proud alumna of Bryn Mawr College in the Philadelphia Metro area and is excited to be working with our students and families here at Bullis. Ms. Monroe-Myers believes the

consideration of student mental health and well-being is crucial to finding success in the college admissions process. Students and families have already begun meeting with her and have enjoyed getting to know and working with her.

Please join us in welcoming Ms. Monroe-Myers to the Bullis School community. She completes the College Counseling team: Co-Directors Valerie Miller and Philip Weisgold; Associate Director of College Counseling, CeCe Belcher; and Administrative Assistant, Brienne McKay.

## Save the Dates all events are in-person

#### Senior Parent Meeting

## **Tues., September 20** 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Discovery Center – Studio Theatre

#### Junior Parent Meeting

#### Tues., September 27 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Discovery Center –

Studio Theatre

Sophomore and Freshman Parent Meeting

## Wed., September 28

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Blair Arts Center – Howard Auditorium

## Spotlight on the Senior Class

This summer, seniors have each taken the time to begin working through their college applications in our individual August Workshops. Students had options to participate in the workshops in person or virtually through our instructional and informative policy and procedure presentation.

Our priority this fall is to spend one-on-one time polishing and submitting essays, portfolios, and applications. We ask that  $9^{th} - 11^{th}$ -grade families respect our time as we **prioritize the seniors and their families** until we've successfully navigated the early application process. Please feel free to contact us **after November 1**<sup>st</sup> for individual meetings. From mid-November until winter break, we will have established time specifically for  $9^{th}$ ,  $10^{th}$ , and  $11^{th}$ -grade families. We appreciate your partnership and understanding.

### College Exposure During Experiential Education

This week, each grade level is participating in Experiential Education activities. The college counselors are excited to partner with the junior class today, Friday, September 9. After programming provided by the Grade Level Dean, Mr. Bailey, the juniors will break up into small groups and meet with visiting college representatives. In these breakout groups, the juniors will hear a little about what distinguishes one university from another, learn how to research and navigate university websites, and start purpose-finding through facilitated Project Wayfinder activities.

We are excited to host our trusted college representative colleagues from American University, Georgetown University, the University of Georgia, Gettysburg College, The University of Mississippi, and the University of Richmond on campus, and we hope the junior class finds their time with them meaningful and engaging.



## Coffee and Chatting with College Counseling

Over the next several weeks, the College Counseling Office will host **in-person** gatherings for parents and guardians. We welcome the opportunity to interact with you, share information, and quell any anxieties. Please bring your questions;

we are happy to help and look forward to working with your families. See "Save the Dates" on the left for dates, times, and locations.

12<sup>th</sup> **Grade Parent Meeting:** Tuesday, September 20 @ 6:30 p.m.

11<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Coffee: Tuesday, September 27 @ 6:30 p.m.

10<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Coffee: Wednesday, September 28 @ 6:30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you and starting the year with positivity, and will send grade-level-specific reminders before each program.

## United States Naval Academy Admissions Forum

On Saturday, September 10, the United States Naval Academy Admissions office is hosting an informative Admissions Forum at Maret School. Get details and registration information can be found **here**.

## "Best of U" Event at Washington International School

The counseling team at Washington International School (WIS) invites students to attend the "Best of U" event from 6:15 – 9:00 p.m. on their campus on Thursday, September 15. If students and parents are interested in attending, WIS asks that you register using this link. The following UK university representatives will be there to chat about their schools and the UK application process in general:

- University of Bristol
- University of Southampton
- University of York
- Newcastle University
- Durham University

## Opening Our Doors to College Representatives

This year, we will offer in-person and online visits from college representatives. These meetings allow our seniors to learn more about specific programs and admission practices, while allowing colleges and universities better understand of the Bullis experience.

Seniors are welcome to attend meetings (with permission 24 hours in advance from their teachers) and can sign up through Naviance. If a college/university from a senior's list is not visiting, we encourage students to take advantage of online information sessions and direct connections through the college or university.

The list of visitors found below will also be posted on Naviance's homepage in the "What's New" column. Additionally, as long as colleges are included on students' "Colleges I'm thinking about" or "Colleges I'm applying to" lists in Naviance, students will get an email notifying them of the upcoming visit. Ms. McKay, our Administrative Assistant, will always have two up-to-date printed lists posted outside our office, one in alphabetical order by college, and the other in chronological order by date and time of the visit.

The visits are for **senior students only**; we ask that no parents or guardians join these conversations. A college counselor will always be present to moderate.

So far, the following colleges and universities have registered for a visit to Bullis School in September and the first week of October. Unless otherwise specified, all meetings with the college admission representatives will be held in the College Counseling Office. Please note that this list is updated regularly and is subject to change. The most up-to-date information can be found in Naviance on the homepage under the "What's New" column.

#### Monday, September 12

University of Toledo Stevens Institute of Technology Queens University of Charlotte University of Georgia University of California – Riverside

#### Tuesday, September 13

University of Glasgow Purdue University Franklin & Marshall College

#### Wednesday, September 14

University of California – Los Angeles Indiana University – Bloomington Muhlenberg College

#### Thursday, September 15

Hobart and William Smith Colleges George Washington University University of Vermont Union College (NY)

#### Friday, September 16

Louisiana State University High Point University Durham University Miami University, Oxford Seton Hall University

#### Monday, September 19

University of Richmond The Ohio State University University of Maryland – College Park Virginia Commonwealth University

#### Tuesday, September 20

Dartmouth College Barnard College

#### Wednesday, September 21

Saint Joseph's University University of Notre Dame Stevenson University

#### Thursday, September 22

United States Naval Academy Davidson College Xavier University Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Occidental College Rollins College

#### Friday, September 23

University of Maryland - Baltimore County

#### Tuesday, September 27

Wake Forest University American University Rochester Institute of Technology College of Charleston University of Chicago

#### Wednesday, September 28

Lawrence University University of Delaware University of Rochester Oberlin College Skidmore College Gettysburg College

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#### Thursday, September 29

University of Miami Northwestern University DePaul University Mount St. Mary's University Drexel University

#### Friday, September 30

University of Mary Washington University of South Carolina Ithaca College Dickinson College

#### Monday, October 3

Guilford College The University of British Columbia Lehigh University Villanova University Boston College

#### Thursday, October 6

Binghamton University Chestnut Hill College Elon University James Madison University Babson College

#### Friday, October 7

McDaniel College Haverford College The University of Tennessee – Knoxville College of the Holy Cross Ohio Wesleyan University

