



College Counseling Crier

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Upcoming Standardized Test Dates

ACT Test Dates and Deadlines*

February 10, 2018
(registration deadline has passed)

April 14, 2018
(registration deadline: March 9)

June 9, 2018
(registration deadline: May 4)

July 14, 2018
(registration deadline: June 15)

SAT Test Dates and Deadlines*

March 10, 2018
(registration deadline: February 9)

May 5, 2018
(registration deadline: April 6)

June 2, 2018
(registration deadline: May 3)

**If you will be taking these tests with accommodations, please contact Mrs. Anzelone*

The PreACT is Coming Down the Pike!

Our sophomores will sit for the Bullis-administered PreACT on **Tuesday, February 20**. Here are some key details to be aware of for the day of the exam:

- All sophomores will eat during A lunch, beginning at 11:35 a.m.
- Sophomores with **no** testing accommodations will report to the Athletic Center at 12:05 p.m.
- The exam itself is approximately 2½ hours – students should complete testing around 3:00 p.m.
- Students should bring a working calculator with batteries and sharpened #2 pencils

For those students who test **with ACT-approved accommodations**, the exam will be in the Studio Theatre of the Boarman Discovery Center. Please be in contact with [Lisa Anzelone](#) for more details.

Circling Back to College 101

The junior class had their first meeting with their college counselor for College 101. These sessions, which are **MANDATORY** for all juniors, share crucial information allowing students to gain an understanding of the college search process and begin college exploration without the pressure of imminent deadlines.

Our first session included transcript review, registration for CollegeBoard and ACT accounts, and a brief overview of Naviance. Juniors have been assigned a questionnaire, which upon completion will allow them to meet one-on-one with their individual counselor.

The remaining dates for the College 101 sessions are:

Session 2: Tuesday, February 6 and Tuesday, February 13

Session 3: Tuesday, February 27 and Thursday, March 1

Session 4: Tuesday, March 13 and Thursday, March 15

Session 5: Tuesday, April 10 and Thursday, April 12

We look forward to continue working closely with the Class of 2019 as they begin their college process!

When to Start: A Timeline for Test Prep



Applerouth, a test prep and tutoring resource used by many of our students, recently posted a [new article](#) in their blog on the importance of crafting a smart testing plan.

Students and parents are always wondering when is the “right” time to test, which test is the “right” test to take, and how to best prepare. While we can tell you colleges and universities have **no preference** between the SAT or the ACT, much of the other answers as to the when-and-which of testing depend on the student.

Our goal for every student is that they’ve taken at least one standardized test before the end of the junior year. This will allow them to test over the summer and potentially one additional time as a senior before application deadlines.

We hope you find the [Applerouth blog entry](#) interesting and helpful.

Challenge: Accepted



Revolution Prep, is welcoming every Bullis Student to take the **Revolution Challenge: 4 FREE hours of customized private 1:1 tutoring through March 16.**

Revolution Prep provides top quality tutoring and test prep programs delivered by full-time professional tutors who are matched with students based on learning style, interests, needs and goals, over a convenient and flexible, live-online educational platform. To learn more, contact our dedicated Revolution Prep Liaison, Danny Goldman via [email](#) or over the phone at 410-946-6183.

Summer Programs Pour In!

During parent-teacher conferences we had many parents come in to ask us about summer programs for rising juniors and seniors. We continue to update the [Summer Opportunities](#) listings within the [College Counseling webpage](#) on a weekly basis. The offerings are separated by those offered by a program or organization and those offered specifically by a college or university.

If students have questions or need help completing these applications, they are welcome to come to the College Counseling office on the first floor of North Hall.

Celebrations Continue!

To date, our seniors have successfully submitted **1,260 applications!** Many of our students who have applied through Early Decision, Restrictive Early Action, Early Action and Rolling Admission have already received some decisions. Additionally, the University of Maryland released their priority decisions just last week. **276 acceptances** to colleges and universities all over the country, and internationally, have been offered.

As a reminder to our seniors please let us know of all admission decisions and scholarship awards.

We want to celebrate with you and provide good advice and counsel.