

# Senior Bulletin #2

October 28, 2019

See Mr. Dawson for further details

**FINANCIAL AID NIGHT – Yough High School in the LGI Room on Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

## COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY PROCESS:

- ✓ Review websites or call schools for general information.
- ✓ Schedule College visits. Students are permitted to miss up to 3 days.
- ✓ You must obtain a school visitation slip from guidance, have it signed and returned to the **high school office** at least one day before your scheduled visit. The second page of the college visit form must be completed and returned after the visit.
- ✓ If necessary, retake the SAT/ACT.
- ✓ Apply to schools. (Approximately 3)
- ✓ Make Mr. Dawson aware of applications that were sent. Your transcript will then be mailed from Yough High School
- ✓ Complete Financial Aid information – FAFSA (starting in October)
- ✓ **Penn State and University of Pittsburgh (Main Campus)** requires all SAT or ACT scores be submitted directly from The College Board for the scores to be official. They will not accept SAT or ACT scores submitted from a high school.

**Honors Programs** – Almost all 4-year colleges/universities offer Honors or Scholars Programs for high achieving students. Programs vary between colleges and universities. Benefits can include scholarship opportunities, preferred housing, advanced scheduling, teacher/professor choice, exceptional networking, academic grouping for advanced projects, etc. To investigate these opportunities, contact the office of admissions at your choices of colleges/universities.

**pacareerzone.org** offers high school students and parents an in-depth exploration into careers, colleges, and money management solutions.

Mrs. Raimondo is available during Homeroom period. You are able to create your profiles and apply for anything you are qualified for. You need to get a pass from her. She can only take so many at a time but everyone will get a chance.

## SCHOLARSHIPS:

Remember, most scholarships have FIRM deadlines.

Parents/Guardians should review and approve all scholarship websites before you proceed.

For more scholarship searches, try these websites:

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.highfivescholarships.com](http://www.highfivescholarships.com)

[www.tuitionfundingsources.com](http://www.tuitionfundingsources.com)

**ATTENDANCE: 8 days missed for the first semester and 16 total for the full year.**

**The Prudential Spirit of Community Award** – Criteria: Community service and volunteering. For more information go to [www.nassp.org/spirit](http://www.nassp.org/spirit). **Deadline: November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**“Common App”** – Seniors who are interested in 4-year colleges and are applying to multiple schools are encouraged to consider utilizing “The Common Application”. This website may simplify the college application process. For more information, visit [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org).

## FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION:

\*All seniors going to a post-secondary program can complete the FAFSA now.

\*All colleges and universities have Financial Aid Offices who can answer questions even unique questions for specific situations.

\*Additional Financial Aid information is available in guidance.

## OPEN HOUSES:

\*\*\*Research schools on line for Open House dates\*\*\*

## RESOURCES:

**SAT/ACT Prep Sessions** are held at Yough Senior High School throughout the school year and are free to students. For more information email Mr. Schmook - [schmookj@youghsd.net](mailto:schmookj@youghsd.net) or Mrs. Rogge - [rogges@youghsd.net](mailto:rogges@youghsd.net)

## SCHOLARSHIPS:

**Wimmer Scholarship Competition at St. Vincent** - Full scholarship. **Deadline: November 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**Burger King Scholarship** - \$1000 - \$50,000 Scholarships. Criteria: 2.5 GPA or higher, work experience and community involvement. To apply go to [BK-SCHOLARS.COM](http://BK-SCHOLARS.COM) **Deadline: December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship** - Criteria: Be enrolled as a high school senior, Plan to enroll in full-time undergraduate study at an accredited two- or four-year college, Minimum GPA 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, Demonstrate financial need. Apply at [www.comcastleadersandachieversscholarship.com](http://www.comcastleadersandachieversscholarship.com) **Deadline: December 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Jim Borden Memorial Scholarship** - Scholarship not only provides financial assistance of up to \$7500 per year but will include a guaranteed yearly internship and, upon graduation, an offer for full-time employment. Criteria: Enrolled in an accredited four-year college or university with a major in Journalism, English Writing or Communication. To apply go to <https://tribtotalmedia.com/jim-borden-memorial-scholarship/>

**Penn State's FAFSA recommended submission date is December 1, 2019.**