

Senior Update - Week of October 10th



- **Academics** – If any seniors are experiencing academic difficulties in any subject, **please be sure to make arrangements to extra help from your students or from Miss Hoyt...This is VERY CRITICAL as Miss Hoyt will have to send out the first quarter grades to all colleges seniors are applying to**
- **What to bring to packaging meetings** – It is **GREAT** that students are beginning to package college applications to be sent out...the sooner we can do that, the better (not only are the applications read over more carefully by the admissions counselors when we get them out early...but then it allows us to begin a aggressive strategy to get financial aid/scholarships). It is **extremely helpful** when students are prepared for the packaging meeting – it allows Miss Hoyt to more effectively service more students as the meeting will

not take as long if students are ready. Please make every effort to bring with you the following:

- 1) **The signed (in black ink) Verification Sheet** (These are in the upright black file right on top of the Senior Recommendation folders) – **One separate Verification Sheet is needed for each college the student is applying to** – These verification sheets are the student’s honoring academic/creative integrity and agreeing that all the work within the college application packet is his/her own
- 2) **Monitoring Sheets** (These are also in the upright black file right on top of the Senior Recommendation folders) – **One separate Monitoring Sheet is needed for each college the student is applying to** – Although these sheets DO NOT go to the colleges, they are extremely important for Miss Hoyt to more effectively track all materials that are submitted online as well as sent out in hard copy – these are kept in a large binder so that if the colleges indicate something is missing, it is late, etc., Miss Hoyt has the specific information to speak with the colleges about when things were sent, what was sent when, etc.
- 3) **Activity/Honors/Employment Sheet** – Although students have put in some of their activities/awards on the online Common Application and/or other college online applications which do not utilize the Common Application, it is helpful as a double check to include in the hard copy items sent out a complete activity/honors/employment sheet – **Students should have a copy made for each college they are applying to brought with them to the packaging meeting**
- 4) **Supplementary Materials** – If a student is including a portfolio/supplementary “booklet”, writing portfolio, etc., he/she needs to bring one for each colleges to which applications will be sent out – Miss Hoyt is able to bind the booklets, so if those can be brought in the day before the packaging meeting, that would be great – the individual booklets to be bound should be paper clipped in the specific order the student wants the pages to be

- 5) **Few Waivers** – If students have received any type of fee waiver, they should bring that with them to the packaging meeting – Miss Hoyt will show students how to indicate that they have a fee waiver on the Common Application and/or any other non-Common Applications they are sending out – but we should also include the letter/fee waiver, etc. in the hard copy materials as a double check

What Else Will Go in the Hard Copy Materials (That Miss Hoyt will package with students):

- 1) **Their recommendation letters/forms (if the teacher has not put them online)** – These are in the student’s senior recommendation folder – **If students have outside recommendations, those should be put directly into their senior recommendation folder so that we have them readily available when we are packaging --- STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE TAKING ANY RECOMMENDATIONS HOME WITH THEM** – if a student wishes to have a copy, we will make them at the packaging meeting
- 2) **Miss Hoyt’s guidance forms/transcript requests/transcript/ letter of recommendation** (unless it is being done online – as is the case with the Common Application)
- 3) **The Prout School Profile**

Teachers who have done forms and recommendation letters online, have been asked to also give Miss Hoyt/put in the senior recommendation folders, a copy of the letters – please let Miss Hoyt know if this has not been done – it is VERY important that we have a copy of every letter in case the colleges contact Miss Hoyt about something – she does not have access to any letters that have been sent online to any colleges



**Your help in making the packaging meetings
effective and efficient is GREATLY
APPRECIATED**

- **Roger Williams University Fee**

Waiver – A parent was generous enough to give Miss Hoyt an application fee waiver for the school. Miss Hoyt will give it to the first student who asks.

- **The New England Board of
Higher Education Tuition**

Break Program – This program (also named the Apple Program) is for any students with an intended major in an area URI, CCRI, and/or RIC do not offer. If these schools do not offer the major, students can go to a public school in New England that has the major – and be able to attend for instate tuition. This is a great savings for students. To find out more specific details about the program, go online at (There is a complete booklet here with all the relevant information): www.nebhe.org/tuitionbreak --- then, select “Overview” to view or download the 2012-13 Tuition Break Undergraduate Catalog. If any students need help with this, please let Miss Hoyt know.



- **Hanging Loose Press Young Writers Publication** – This is a prestigious publishing house of poetry, short stories, etc. Each year, the company creates an anthology of what they perceive as the best in high school writing. To be published in this book gives young writers a great chance to further publication of their work. For more specific information, go online at: http://hangingloosepress.com/high_school.html



Open House/Informational Sessions



- **Drew University** – The school is hosting two fall open houses: Saturday, October 22nd and also on Saturday, November 19th. The sessions begin at 9:00am. For more specific information, and to register to attend a session, contact the school at: 1-973-408-3739 – or online at: drew.edu/visit

- **The Boston National Portfolio**

Day – This event has been previously mentioned for students with an intended major in an arts related field. At the event, art critics from hundreds of national art schools are available to critique a student’s portfolio. They will give the student hints on how to strengthen the portfolio, how to most effectively present it, etc. The Boston Portfolio Day is being held on Sunday, October 30th beginning at noon at The Art Institute of Boston at Lesley College, 900 Boylston Avenue. The event is free – for more specific information, go online at: ([www](http://www.aiboston.edu/npd)). aiboston.edu/npd --- or call at: 1-800-773-0494 ext. 6710



- **Husson University** – The school is hosting an open house session on Saturday, November 12th. The open house begins at 9:00am. For more specific information, and to register to attend, contact the school at: 1-207-941-7100 – or register online at: ([www](http://www.husson.edu)).husson.edu

- **Roanoke College** – The school is hosting open house sessions on Saturday, October 29th, Tuesday, November 8th, and Saturday, November 12th. For more specific information, and to register to attend a session, contact the school at: ([www](http://www.roanoke.edu/visit)).roanoke.edu/visit – or at: 1-540-375-2270

- **Southern New Hampshire University Culinary Arts Open**

House – The school has an excellent major in Culinary Arts and it holding a special open house for this field on November 11th. The session begins at 8:30am. For more specific information, and to register to attend, contact the school at: 1-800-642-4968 --- or online at: ([www](http://www.snhu.edu/campusvisit)).snhu.edu/campusvisit



- **Suffolk University** – The school is hosting open house sessions on Saturday, October 22nd and also on Sunday, November 6th. For more specific information, and to register to attend a session, contact the school at: 1-800-678-3365

- **Bryant University** – The school is hosting an open house on October 22nd. The session begins at 9:30am. There are also sessions on October 29th, and November 11th. The university gives interviews on October 15th, November 12th, and December 3rd. Interviews are offered on the hour beginning at 9:00am – it is scheduled on a first come, first serve basis. To get more information, contact the school at: 1-800-622-7001



Scholarships



- **University of Virginia** – A reminder about a previously mentioned scholarship opportunity for students applying to UVA. Prout is allowed to nominate a student for consideration who is applying to the school. If you would like to be nominated, please let Miss Hoyt know as soon as possible – she needs to get the nomination packet to UVA at the end of October.
- **The Society of Women Engineers** – The organization has many, many scholarship opportunities for both senior females and males who have an interest in/intended major in engineering. For more information on the different scholarships, go online at: www.societyofwomenengineers.swe.org

- **Distinguished Young Women-**

The website has numerous scholarship opportunities for female seniors. It has general ones, and then scholarships by colleges/universities specifically for women. For more specific information, go online at: <http://www.ajm.org/about/schoalrships>

Congratulations



**Sara Rauwolf – National
Philanthropy Community Award ...
\$2,500 scholarship**

**Mary-Catherine Stockman –
Westerly Chamber of Commerce
...\$500 scholarship**

