Welcome

to

Junior College Informational Night!

Presented by the

Valley Stream Central High School District

Guidance Department

February 15, 2024

Junior Year Timeline

February/March:

- **Digital SAT/ACT Prep and scheduling**
  - **School based exam on April 3rd**
  - **Additional testing dates on weekends. Register:** www.collegeboard.org
- Schedule individual parent/student college conference immediately.
- Conduct college searches utilizing Naviance to establish initial college interest list. *Bring list to college conference.*
- **Create an *appropriate 'College Only' email address*.**
- Begin visiting possible college choices.
- Continue to participate in school/community activities.
- **Attend NCAA Night on 3/7/2024**

April/May:

- Take the School Day SAT on April 3rd.
- Take ACT - Register: www.act.org
- Take AP exams
- Begin to request letters of recommendations from teachers and complete your Brag Sheet.
- Continue to explore college options and refine your list.

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Junior Year Timeline (Continued)

June:

- Take Digital SAT and/or ACT with Writing.
- Take final exams and Regents exams in school.
- Review your transcript and make sure that any Regent Exemptions are reflected.
- Write your student resume, utilize format from Naviance.
- Complete Brag sheet and request letters of recommendation.
- Inform counselor of any changes on your college list.

July/August:

- Work/Volunteer/Intern or enroll in a summer program.
- Visit Colleges.
- Begin writing your college essay.

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College Search Resource

Naviance

- Everyone should be registered. If not contact your counselor.
- Access through these web addresses:
  - https://student.naviance.com/vsnhs
  - https://student.naviance.com/vsshs
  - https://student.naviance.com/vschs

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Factors to Consider when Creating your College Search Lists

- Important Factors:
  - Location of College/University
  - Majors. Especially important when you need a particular licensure.
  - Your GPA/SAT/ACT Scores to pick Safe/Target/Reach Schools.
  - Tuition/Room and Board costs
  - Size of the school
  - Campus Setting (Urban, Suburban, Rural)
  - Diversity of student body
- Inputting the factors you select:
  - Utilize the *SuperMatch College Search* feature on *Naviance* to build your initial College lists (starting with a broad list/then narrow down by manipulating those factors).
- Individual Meeting
  - You should come prepared with your list of colleges and by the end of the conference, you will have a workable list to research.

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DIGITAL SAT

- Take School Day SAT April 3, 2024
- If taking the exam again register on-line at www.collegeboard.org ASAP for SAT Reasoning
- Be mindful of deadlines!
- Evidence-Based Reading and Writing:

  (score of 200-800)
- Math: (score of 200-800)

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ACT

- Register online at www.actstudent.org ASAP!
- Be mindful of deadlines!
- Four Subparts:
  - English
  - Math
  - Science Reasoning
  - Reading.
- Taken in the Spring or Summer of Junior Year and/or Fall of Senior Year.

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PREPARING FOR THE DIGITAL SAT & ACT

- Students must prepare for these exams – you cannot walk in cold!
- Start early! Preparing for these exams can be overwhelming. Relieve some of that anxiety by starting now.
- Ways to prepare:
  - Take a course:
    - In school FREE elective with Princeton Review
    - Small group courses are available afterschool in person and virtually through Princeton Review, Methodize formerly Method Test Prep and Curve Breakers in district. Here students will take practice exams and analyze their results.
  - Prepare online:
    - There is an abundance of FREE online test prep available. Start with Methodize which can be found in your Castle Learning account. Refer to the Guide to College Admissions book for additional resources.
    - Princeton Review offers several online tools
  - Hire a private tutor:
    - Some students require a more individualized approach to test prep. See your students' counselor for recommendations.

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SENDING SAT AND ACT SCORES TO COLLEGES

- ***THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!*** Your counselor cannot and will not send your scores to the schools you apply to.
- **Please note SAT/ACT scores are not on your transcript**
- Scores are sent directly from www.collegeboard.org for the SAT and www.actstudent.org for the ACT.
- Some schools allow students to choose which scores to submit, however some will want to see all scores. Remember to look for the school's policy when reading admissions requirements.
- By sending all scores, most colleges will consider the highest scores received on each section.
- Be mindful of deadlines when submitting scores to colleges.
- Refer to your child's counselor with questions regarding which scores should be submitted and for assistance with the process.

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Testing Dates & High School Codes

SAT HIGH SCHOOL CODES:

335710 – Central High School
331986 – North High School
335712 – South High School

Test Center Codes:

- Valley Stream Central HS 33-946
- Valley Stream North HS 33-420
- Valley Stream South HS 33-948

Dates for the SAT:

April 3, 2024 (IN SCHOOL)
May 4, 2024
June 1, 2024

Dates for the ACT:

April 13, 2024
June 8, 2024
July 13, 2024

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Common Application

- www.commonapp.org
- Used by over 1,000 Colleges and Universities across the country.
  - Must use this for us to submit our documents electronically
  - Many of these institutions use the form exclusively.
  - You can register and set up your secure personal account @ www.commonapp.org. This will also be done in school in the fall with your counselor. After completing, you will submit your Common Application electronically *ONLY after* your school counselor reviews your application.
  - Once completed, please print-preview the application for accuracy with your school counselor.
  - Complete the payment section.
  - Finally, sign with your electronic signature, and submit your application.

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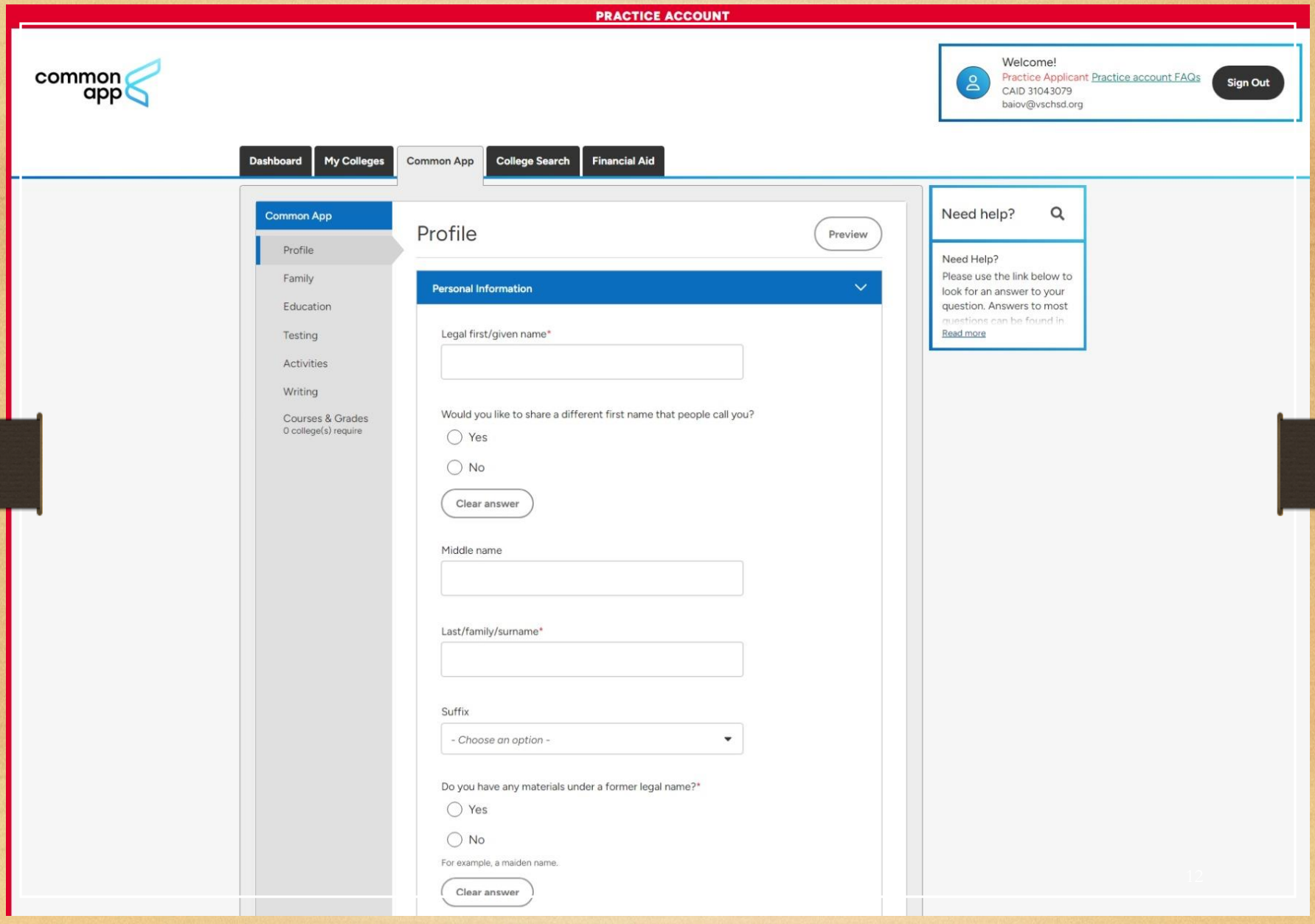
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Would you like to share a different first name that people call you?
Yes
No
Clear answer
Middle name
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Do you have any materials under a former legal name?*
Yes
No
For example, a maiden name.
Clear answer
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Please use the link below to look for an answer to your question. Answers to most
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My Colleges
- SUNY Buffalo State
- SUNY Morrisville State College
- SUNY Stony Brook University
- SUNY University at Buffalo
- SUNY, University at Albany
  - College Information
  - Application
    - Questions
    - Recommenders and FERPA
    - Review and Submit - Common App

SUNY, University at Albany

Contact Info

Phone: (518) 442-5435
Email: ugadmissions@albany.edu
Address: *1400 Washington Avenue*
Albany, NY 12222
USA

Links: College Website · Admissions Office · Virtual Tour · College Navigator

Application Deadlines

Spring (January) 2024
First Year
Regular Decision - 01/10/2024

Fall (September) 2024
First Year
Early Action - 11/15/2023
Regular Decision - 02/01/2024

Application Information

Application Fees:
First Year International Fee - $50
First Year Domestic Fee - $50

Standardized Test Policy:
Never required
SAT without Essay or ACT without Essay
Test Policy Information

Courses & Grades:
Not Used

Recommendations:
School Report Required
Counselor Recommendation Required
Final Report Required
Teacher Evaluation(s): 0 Required, 3 Optional
Other Evaluation(s): Not Applicable

Saves school forms after matriculation:
Yes

Need help?

When is the deadline for my application submission?
To meet an application deadline, you must submit your application materials by 11:59 pm on the deadline
Read more

Can a college see the list of colleges on the My Colleges list?
A school cannot view any other schools on your **My Colleges** list and does not receive any information
Read more

Common Black App

- www.commonblackcollegeapp.com
- Used by Historically Black Colleges/Universities

ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY
ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY
ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY
ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY
ALLEN UNIVERSITY
AMERICAN BAPTIST COLLEGE
ARKANSAS BAPTIST COLLEGE
BENEDICT COLLEGE
BENNETT COLLEGE
BETHUNE-COOKMAN UNIVERSITY
CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY
CHEYNEY UNIVERSITY
CLAFLIN UNIVERSITY
CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY
CLINTON COLLEGE
COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY
DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY
DILLARD UNIVERSITY
EDWARD WATERS UNIVERSITY
ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY
FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
FISK UNIVERSITY
FLORIDA MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY
FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY
HARRIS-STOWE STATE UNIVERSITY
HUSTON-TILLOTSON UNIVERSITY
JARVIS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY
JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY
KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY
LANE COLLEGE
LINCOLN UNIVERSITY (MO)
LeMOYNE OWEN COLLEGE
LINCOLN UNIVERSITY (PA)
LIVINGSTONE COLLEGE
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIV.
MILES COLLEGE
MORRIS BROWN COLLEGE
MORRIS COLLEGE
MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY
NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIV.
PAINE COLLEGE
PAUL QUINN COLLEGE
PHILANDER SMITH UNIVERSITY
RUST COLLEGE
SAINT AUGUSTINE'S UNIVERSITY
SHAW UNIVERSITY
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIV.
SOUTHERN UNIV. AND A&M COLL.
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY (NO)
STILLMAN COLLEGE
TALLADEGA COLLEGE
TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
TEXAS COLLEGE
TOUGALOO COLLEGE
UNIV. OF ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF
UNIV. OF MD. EASTERN SHORE
UNIV. OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY
VOORHEES COLLEGE
WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY
WILEY UNIVERSITY

- Once your application is paid and submitted, it goes to all member institutions
- However, you rank your top 4 preferences
- $20 non-refundable application fee

State University of New York (SUNY)

- www.suny.edu (web application)
- 64 Colleges
  - 4 University Centers
  - 13 Colleges
  - 8 Specialized Colleges
  - 5 Statutory Colleges on 2 Private University Campuses
  - 7,342 degree and certificate programs
  - This is the only way to apply to the Fashion Institute of Technology

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City University of New York (CUNY)

- www.cuny.edu
  - This is the only way to apply to CUNYs.
- 24 Institutions
  - 11 senior colleges
  - William Macaulay Honors College
  - 7 Community Colleges
  - The Graduate School and University Center
  - The CUNY Graduate School of Journalism
  - The CUNY Law School
  - The CUNY School of Professional Studies
  - The CUNY School of Public Health

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2 Year Community Colleges

- Nassau Community College / Queensborough Community College
- Increasing popularity due to cost and proximity.
- 2 Year Community Colleges are Not "Grade 13".
- *MUST* prepare for placement exams. Some preparation will take place in Senior English and Math courses.
  - Study online – *Google Accuplacer Prep*

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On-Site Admissions

- The following Colleges conduct on-site admissions at all three high schools:
  - Adelphi University
  - LIU – C.W. Post Campus
  - Hofstra University
  - Molloy College
  - St. John's University
  - New York Institute of Technology (NYIT)
- Qualifications vary from school to school.
- High Level of Acceptance and Scholarship money.

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College Application Deadlines

- Applications must be reviewed by your counselor before submission.
- We suggest your child makes an appointment with their school counselor about 2 school weeks prior to the college deadline for the application to be reviewed.
- Suggested meeting deadlines:
  - November 1st Deadline (ED/EA) appointment by October 14th.
  - November 15th Deadline (EA) appointment by November 4th.
  - SUNY/CUNY applications appointment by October 21st.
  - Macaulay Honors College appointment by October 28th.
- Please note that some colleges may have earlier deadlines, so it is important to do your research.

DEADLINES MAY VARY DEPENDING ON BUILDING

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Central HS Information

- Central High School: 135 Fletcher Avenue, Valley Stream, NY 11580
  - Guidance fax # - 516-561-4479
  - CEEB Code: 335710
- *Counselors:*
  - Kathleen Hardy – 516-561-4427, Hardyk@vschsd.org
  - Samantha Cipriano – 516-561-4428, Ciprians@vschsd.org
  - Ronald Rini – 516-561-4429, Rinir@vschsd.org
  - Amy La Personerie – 516-561-4426, Lapersoa@vschsd.org
  - Kathryn Sciocchetti – 516-561-4437, Sciocchk@vschsd.org
  - Gina Brick- 516-561-4433, Brickg@vschsd.org
  - Kaitlyn Zaremba- 516-561-4409 Zarembak@vschsd.org

- In general, VS email addresses are the first seven letters of the teachers' last name and their first initial followed by @vschsd.org

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North HS Information

- North High School: 750 Herman Avenue, Franklin Square, NY 11010
  - Guidance fax # - 516-705-0033
  - CEEB Code: 331986
- *Counselors*:
  - Joshua Brodsky – 516-564-5525, Brodskyj@vschsd.org
  - Janna Brodman – 516-564-5516 Melaskyj@vschsd.org
  - Jamie Kreppein– 516-564-5529, carbonj@vschsd.otg
  - Michelle López- 516-564-5531, Lopezm@vschsd.org
  - Nicole Maier– 516-564-5526, Maiern@vschsd.org
  - Samia Tariq-Farooq, 516-564-5511 Tariqfas@vschsd.org
  - Joanne Philippe- 516-564-5514, Philippj@vschsd.org

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South HS Information

- South High School: 150 Jedwood Place, Valley Stream, NY 11581
  - Guidance fax # - 516-791-0356
  - CEEB Code: 335712
- *Counselors:*
  - Vincent Baio – 516-791-0342, baiov@vschsd.org
  - Brett Coppens– 516-791-0326, coppensb@vschsd.org
  - Russell Garcia – 516-791-0325, garciar02@vschsd.org
  - Karen Miller– 516-791-0327, cooneyk01@vschsd.org
  - Matthew Rothenberg – 516-791-0306, rothenbm@vschsd.org
  - Deidre Tantillo – 516-791-0308 tantilld@vschsd.org
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Assignments

- Hold a family discussion, this process is yours! We are just your guides.
- In Naviance Conduct College Search and start a list of *Colleges I am Thinking About*
  - https://student.naviance.com/vsnhs
  - https://student.naviance.com/vsshs
  - https://student.naviance.com/vschs
- Schedule an Individual Junior Conference with counselor.
- **MOST IMPORTANTLY RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!!**

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