

College Bulletin IV

Attention All Juniors & Seniors:

Listed below are the colleges that will be visiting Winslow High School us in the next two weeks:

November 12 th	Albright College
November 13 th	Camden County College
November 14 th	Averett College
November 16 th	Lebanon Valley College
November 21 st	Washington College
November 27 th	Antonelli Institute (for Photography & Graphic Design)
December 6 th	PB Cosmetology School

Any student who is interested in learning more about these colleges must sign up in the guidance office. Students should see **the secretary in the guidance office** for a **pass the day before the representative is scheduled to visit**. Students are responsible for **ALL** work missed when they meet with a college rep. Our guidance policy is that no student will be given a pass the day the college rep is scheduled to visit WTHS

Are you interested in a Tour of Historical Black Colleges and Universities?

New Jersey Garden City Alumnus Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc is sponsoring its 3rd annual Historical Black Colleges and Universities Tour. This tour will take place on March 25-28. The cost is \$245 and includes transportation, food hotel and more. For more information please call 609-556-7271 or email NjgacHbcuTour@aol.com This trip is for 10th, 11th and 12th grade students!

National Hispanic College Fair for Central & Southern New Jersey

Over 50 colleges and universities will be represented at this college fair.

When: Thursday, November 29th
Where: The College of New Jersey
Time: 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

SAT & ACT Information

The next opportunity to take the SAT exam is **January 26th**. The **last day** to register for this test is **Dec. 26th**. **Late registrations**, which require paying an additional fee, can be done until **January 4th**.

The **ACT** will be administered at Winslow Township High School on **Saturday, December 8th**. The **deadline** to register for this test is **November 2nd**. Late registrations, which require paying an additional fee, can be done until **November 15th**.

More details can be found in the guidance office.

Seniors:

Make sure you know the **deadlines** for applying to colleges of your choice. For example, **Rutgers** deadline is **Dec 1st!** That means you need to have your brag sheet, letters of recommendation, and your transcript request form, application and essay turned into the guidance office **ten** days before December 1st! This means that your due date is November 19th! (Next week)

Tips on Completing College Applications:

DO

DO follow the rules. If an application asks you to choose one essay, do not answer them all. Read the application directions completely before answering any questions.

DO include everything. Verify all forms have been signed and that you have included all essays and recommendations. Double check that you have not left out anything important! Make copies for your records.

DO pay attention to deadlines. Submit your application with plenty of time to spare. You may want to send your application via certified mail or request an email receipt if you applied online, for added assurance that it arrived on time.

DON'TS

DON'T procrastinate. Letting things wait until the last minute might mean leaving something out or making mistakes on the application. You want to take as much time as possible on your application.

DON'T leave anything out. Be careful to not treat an online application like an instant message (IM) or e-mail. An admissions office does not want to see smiley faces or IM slang. Treat an online application with the same seriousness as you would a paper one.

Common Application Errors

Signatures: Before mailing, verify that all necessary forms have been signed.

“I’ll start the application next week.” Don’t run out of time to complete the application. Give yourself at least two weeks to find mistakes.

“I already ran a spell-check on my computer.” Words can be spelled correctly but used incorrectly. Ask a counselor, teacher or family member to proofread the application to catch any errors or poor phrasing.

“One copy is enough.” Print out any online forms and keep copies of all paperwork.

“I assume this is right.” If you’re confused by a question or any part of the application, ask someone. A quick call to the admissions office can save you from making an embarrassing error.

“I can send my application as soon as I’m finished.” Before you seal the envelope or click “Send” on your computer, double- and triple-check that you have included all necessary materials.

Need help to prepare for the SAT or the ACT?

March 2 Success is a free, web-based program that makes high quality, test preparation instruction available to all. Designed by Peterson's and Educational Options and sponsored by the US Army, it is more inclusive than traditional college entrance test preparatory courses. To learn more go to www.march2success.com March 2 Success can help when you are taking assessment examinations such as the SAT and the ACT, taking college entrance exams, taking a trade school entrance test, applying for a job and taking a military entrance test.

Scholarship Information

Where to start

Start at the **Scholarship File Cabinet** in the guidance office. Then **Go online** and take advantage of free scholarship searches such as www.fastweb.com for local and national awards. **Consult** your school guidance counselor about private and corporate sponsorships. **Search** your community. There are many organizations, both religious and cultural, that may offer awards.

How to prepare

Get organized and keep the scholarships you are working on separate from those you have not started. Use a calendar to keep track of dates and deadlines. Create a folder for each scholarship application and materials. **Know your time frame to apply.** Complete and send the easiest scholarships first. Then focus on the scholarships with earlier deadlines and ones that may require more time. Allow plenty of time when requesting letters of recommendation.

Submit your application

Remember to check spelling and grammar. **Proofread your materials** and have a teacher, parent or friend read over your application and essay if submitting online or by mail. They can provide feedback and catch mistakes.

What Do Judges Look For?

Do you qualify? Every year, students waste time by applying for awards they aren't eligible to win. If you don't qualify, don't enter!

Is your application presented well? Type your essay, place the application, essay and other contents in a large folder for mailing. Do not fold any of the materials.

Did you include all required documents? Make sure you include all required academic transcripts, references and letters of recommendation.

Did you answer all of the questions? Double-check that you haven't forgotten any required information.

Please check our scholarship cabinet regularly. Some of the scholarships that have recently come include the Burger King Scholars Program. This program has over 700 scholarship opportunities. For more information please log on at www.bk.com/scholars.

Opportunities for Juniors:

The **Governor's School of New Jersey** is a summer program for artistically or academically talented high school students from [New Jersey](#), who have completed their junior year. The School is an intensive four-week residential program conducted on six college campuses throughout the state. Emphasis is placed on problem solving of complex issues that exist on the local, state, national, and international levels, leadership training, and creative expression through the medium of fine and performing arts. As an incentive to foster creativity, the program includes no grades or academic credit. Students must be nominated by the guidance counselor in the high school. An interested student should speak with the guidance counselor as soon as possible to express an interest in applying to the program.

The New Jersey Scholars Program is a 5 week residential study program on India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh at the Lawrenceville School. Interested students should contact the Guidance Office by December 1. The application deadline is January 4, 2008.

Are you a sophomore, junior or senior interested in a Career in Medicine?

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School will be offering a Mini Medical School for High School Students. See your school counselor for an application. There will only be 170 participants. Deadline for submitting application is December 15.