

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Stuyvesant High School Weekly Update

2023-2024 -- Issue #2



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One priority and challenge for the 2023 - 2024 school year from Principal Yu is for all members of our community to build meaningful relationships with those around us. The goal is to be more engaged and interactive with one another and less so on our technological devices (i.e. smartphones). This starts with looking up (and *off* your phone) when walking through the hallways particularly during passing time to avoid walking into other students and staff and to prevent accidents on the escalators and/or stairwells. Please review the adjustments we have made to our [Hallway Code of Conduct \(see FAQs\)](#) to discourage “walking and looking down on your phone” during passing time. Being present starts with spontaneous face-to-face “collisions” with peers and faculty that result in brief exchanges such as a “good morning” or “hello” that spark important interactions among our community members. Staff and students are encouraged to politely remind each other to look up during passing time and minimize distractions of cell phones and other technological devices. Be present and involved by building relationships and adding value to others this school year! Let’s establish a positive tone as we start this new school year.

This morning, Assistant Principal, Ms. Jennifer Suri will lead us in a school-wide moment of silence commemorating the events on 9-11-2001. As we pause and remember those who lost their lives, we reflect on the impact it left on Stuyvesant, its alumni, staff, community and our city.

The 2023-2024 school year is underway as we move into our first full week of school today. We will follow a [regular bell schedule](#) for the entire week. Students may begin their school day at the start of their program.

For new incoming students, this means that if your schedule begins at 2nd period or later, you do not need to arrive by 8:00am. Arrive in time for your first class or to have breakfast in the cafeteria, which is served from 7:30am through period 2. You may leave the building for the day at the conclusion of your classes. You need not stay through period 10 if you do not have classes. Please note, until all program changes are finalized and 'free' periods are entered into the scanning system, students may leave the building during their lunch periods *only*. Pay close attention to the [School Year Calendar](#) posted at www.stuy.edu to know **Testing Days and the A, A1, B, B2 schedule.** **Need help understanding A or B schedules? [READ THIS.](#)**

Coming up this week is the start of Fall Term events! Senior yearbook portraits will begin today and continue through 9/22. On **Tuesday, 9/12**, don't miss the first PA Meeting of the year, which will be held virtually. Elections for freshman parent representatives will be held and Dr. Yu will provide an update on key priorities and information for this school year. You must register for the link and to vote. On **Wednesday, 9/13**, senior families will not want to miss the College Office's annual presentation on **College Info Night!** The registration information is below for this very important Senior family College Night.

We are encouraging you to 'Save the Dates' for the events coming up: **SLT Meeting on 9/19** (in-person); Stuy 101 **Freshman Family workshop on 9/28** (in person); and the **Senior College Financial Aid Night on 10/11**. **Be sure to look over the reminders in this update on COVID reporting procedures. Incoming families:** If you were unable to attend Camp Stuy, students should read the [STUDENT DIGITAL FOLDER](#) and parents/guardians should read the [PARENT DIGITAL FOLDER](#) for **forms** and important information. Theater presentations from orientations are included in the folders. Be sure to catch the link to Mr. Blumm's weekly Internships & Opportunities Bulletin in this week's Update!

Here's what's coming up:

September 11 - Swim test makeup for incoming students (absentees only) 3:35pm

September 11-22 - Senior portrait sittings by appointment 9am -3pm daily

September 12 - PA General Meeting & Elections 7pm (virtual)

September 13 - College Info Night for Senior Families 6:30pm (virtual)

September 19 - SLT Meeting 3:45pm (in person)

September 25 - SCHOOLS CLOSED - Yom Kippur observed

September 28 - 'Stuy 101' Workshop for Freshman Families 6:30pm (in person)

September 29 - Chamber Music Concert 6pm (in person)

September 30 - PA Meet & Greet in the Park 3-5pm

October 5 - Senior Financial Aid Night (virtual) 6:30pm

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UPCOMING STUY EVENTS & DEADLINES

Swim Make-Up Tests for Incoming Students

Last opportunity for Incoming students who were unable to participate in the June Camp Stuy to make up their swim test is Monday, **September 11 at 3:35pm.**



Students should arrive at the pool on the lobby level prepared with a bathing suit, towel and cap to swim the full length of the pool (includes deep end) and must show proficiency in two strokes.

Note that there are no retests. Make up testing is for those absent at Camp Stuy or medically excused only.

Class of 2024 - Senior Yearbook Portraits begin on September 11, 2023

Photos for the *Indicator* Yearbook will be taken by Portraits U.S.A. by appointment from September 11 through September 22. Postcards were mailed directly to families' homes with instructions for booking a sitting.

The times run from 9am to 3pm daily. Emails also went to all seniors from the company and parents with registered email addresses. Please book an appointment time and then head to the North end of the lobby level behind the theater for photos. Portraits will be used for the yearbook and packages will be available for purchase directly from the vendor. Senior families with questions or concerns may contact Mr. Lonardo directly at jlonard@schools.nyc.gov.

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First PA Meeting of the School Year 9/12/23! Time for Elections - REGISTER

The first PA Meeting of the year will be held on **Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 7 pm**. Watch virtually on YouTube. Register to get the link to attend and vote.

Join us virtually. Vote for your Member-at-Large and for the Freshman SLT Delegate and Alternate.

You must register for the meeting [at this link to vote.](#)

Because you will need your Eventbrite Order number in order to vote in the PA Elections, each individual attendee needs to register separately.



Boys Fencing Tryouts 9/12 & 9/13/23

Stuy is looking for competitive athletes for one of Stuy's premier teams. No experience needed (but strongly encouraged). WHEN: Sept 12th (Tuesday) or Sept.13th (Wednesday) after 10th period

WHERE: 6th floor gym

REQUIRED: 2 completed forms(PSAL Medical and Parent consent)

Download: [MEDICAL](#) & [PARENT CONSENT](#).

Questions and concerns, contact Coach Winston: jwinsto@stuy.edu



College Night for Senior Families September 13, 2023

Join the College Office for Senior College Information Night!

It is important that each family is represented at this **virtual** event, as we will cover all of the critical information our seniors will need in order to successfully apply to



college this fall. This event is for **parents only**, but, seniors who were absent from school on Sept. 12 may log in as this event will cover similar information to the student presentations.

Simultaneous interpretation in Chinese will be available for this event. Register for the event using the link below. After registering, you will receive the link you'll need to attend the event. The event will be recorded and shared soon afterward.

Registration link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MhU5WpvGSHaFdBDBO9i-rA#/registration

English ASL and Mandarin Translation will be provided.

Register to attend JLF New York with Mr. Honner as speaker on 9/13/23

Math teacher, Mr. Patrick Honner shares that he will be participating in the **Jaipur Literature Festival (JLF)** next week. The JLF is an annual literary festival held in Jaipur, India, and satellite events, like JLF New York, happen around the world. Next Wednesday, September 13, 2023, he will be speaking with mathematician and author Manil Suri in a session titled "A Universe Built on Math" at the Asia Society. All the details can be found at <https://jflitfest.org/new-york>.

Students interested in attending, should register using the link above.



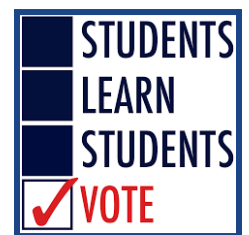
Speech & Debate Interest Meeting 9/13 & 9/14/2023

Stuyvesant's award-winning Speech & Debate team will host interest meetings in the Stuyvesant theater after school (3:45pm) on September 13 AND September 14 for all teams. Students interested should attend! Questions and concerns should go to coach Julie Sheinman at jsheinm@schools.nyc.gov.



Stuy hosts Voting Forum on September 15, 2023 for US History & Gov't classes

Assistant Principal, Ms. Suri announces that Stuy will host a Voting Rights Forum on 9/15. Please view this [link](#) which describes the forum. All US History and Government classes that meet periods 8-10 will attend. The event will be livestreamed as well. Students (US History and Gov) assigned to earlier periods may obtain permission slips to attend from their teachers. Students will go over essays and lessons from The Gilder Lehrman Institute. Students in attendance will also receive pocket US Constitutions. It will be a rewarding experience for all!



SLT Meeting - September 19, 2023- @3:45pm

The monthly meeting of the SLT (School Leadership Team) will take place on Tuesday, September-19, 2023-at 3:45-5:45pm The meeting is held in-person at Stuyvesant High School.

The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the school website calendar date soon.



There is an opportunity to sign up for comment at the meeting. Please read Article V. D. of the SLT bylaws to understand the role of observers and commenting at SLT meetings. Agenda and SLT materials will be posted on the school website on the calendar date for the date of the meeting. You may view previous meetings' approved minutes and recordings on the Talos SLT Info page of the Document Hub.

Stuy 101 Freshman Family Workshop - 9/28/2023 @6:30pm

Stuy 101' A Family Engagement Workshop for Parents/Guardians of Freshmen!

This Family Engagement Workshop will present 'all things Stuy' for Freshman families and incoming sophomore families. We will discuss policies and procedure, navigating information online in Talos; the Stuy Diploma requirements; the School Counselor's Role; and Tips & Tricks of being a Stuy Parent. Interpretation will be available in Mandarin.



Don't miss this event to get to know other parents and get answers to questions! The event will be held in person at Stuyvesant at 6:30pm on Thursday, September 28, 2023. Doors open at 6pm for refreshments in the lobby and getting to know each other.

Join Us for a PA Meet-and-Greet in Rockefeller Park September 30, 2023

The Parent's Association will host a **Meet-and-Greet** for all Stuyvesant families **on Saturday, September 30, 2023 3 pm to 5 pm @ Rockefeller Park Playground** (Down the stairs to the river, next to Stuy)

Come meet fellow parents and guardians and kick off the school year with some fun! Win some Stuy swag! Light snacks and water will be provided.

Students are welcome. Rain date is October 7 from 3 pm to 5 pm. Please email programs@stuy-pa.org with any questions.



SAVE THE DATE: Senior College Financial Aid Night - 10/11/2023

Stuyvesant's annual Senior family Financial Aid Information Night will be a webinar held on the evening of **Thursday, October 5**, starting at 6:30pm. College Counselor, Ms. Allison Kleiman will moderate the event for our main presenter, Samantha Veeder, University Director of Enrollment & Financial Aid at the University of Rochester. Seniors and senior parents are invited to attend this virtual presentation that will cover all aspects of the financial aid process...FAFSA, TAP, CSS Profile, understanding aid awards, and more.

THIS EVENT WILL NOT BE RECORDED

You may register for the event at this link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1qMCri64SwvOmXYb-no20Q



Senior Sunrise welcomed class of 2024 Back to School

Seniors welcome the start of the new school year with the tradition of Senior Sunrise in Rockefeller Park. Hundreds of seniors celebrated together from 6:30am! Stuy was buzzing on September 7! Students were welcomed into the building by many smiling faces. During the first two days of school, there were Big Sibs in homerooms helping our freshmen navigate their way through the building. We are so happy to have our students return, all our new students, and looking forward to the year ahead.

[To view a full size photo collage click here.](#)



RESOURCES & REMINDERS

Repeated Reminders - click for more information:

[Fill out the Family Income Inquiry Form for 2023-2024](#)

[COVID? What to do if you test positive; Protocols for 2023-2024](#)

[Fill out your Emergency Contact \("Blue Card"\) Information](#)

[Changes to Address/Phone - Who to see and How to Proceed](#)

[STUDENTS! Check out StuyActivities.org for Clubs & Pubs!](#)

Mr. Blumm's Opportunities Bulletin #1 - 9/8/2023

Mr. Harvey Blumm is Stuyvesant's Internships and Opportunities Coordinator. He publishes a weekly bulletin that you will see in this Weekly Update and archived on the [Talos Document Hub](#) in the folder "Opportunities Bulletins 2022-2023". His weekly bulletin will inform students, parents, and staff in a timely manner about internships, jobs, academic programs, leadership, community service initiatives, and other student opportunities in a variety of fields. Please carefully note deadlines, age requirements, and other prerequisites for participation. You can reach Mr. Blumm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Stuyvesant at 212-312-4800 ext. 2506, in room 239, or email him at hblumm@stuy.edu.



Attendance Policy & Procedures

When A Student is Absent and/or Late

Absence forms are available on stuy.edu (Parents-Forms or Students-Forms and Policies), in the Attendance Office (Room 203), the Main Office (Room 209), or the Guidance Suite (Room 236).

When a student is absent, the student should fill out Part I of the [Absence/Late Excuse Form](#)*. The parent/guardian should fill out Part II and attach any relevant documentation (ex: doctor's note). The student should fill out Part III with the course names and teacher names in period order. Then, the student should present the form with the parent/guardian signature to all of the



teachers applicable to the absence to obtain their signatures. Finally, the student should submit the completed form to the attendance office, Room 203. Every effort should be made to complete these steps within 2 days after returning from the absence.

When a student is late, the same steps should be followed for all classes up through the period in which they arrived at school.

**If the student has missed a test or quiz due to being late or absent, the student or parent should also notify the teacher as soon as possible via email using the [Staff Email List](#) available on www.stuy.edu so the teacher can set up a time and date for completion of the makeup test or quiz.*

To Obtain an Early Excuse

Student Knows in Advance they Will Be Leaving Early

The student should pick up an [Early Excuse Form](#) in the Attendance Office (Room 203), the Main Office (Room 209), or the Guidance Suite (Room 236) at least the day before leaving school early. The student should fill out Part I and, for the courses that will be missed, the Course Names and Teacher Names. The back of the form should be completed by the parent/guardian. Then, the form should be brought to all of the students' teachers to obtain teacher signatures.

On the day the student needs to leave early, the student should proceed to the attendance office and submit the form. The attendance office will call home before the student leaves the building.

An Unforeseen Event/Issue Occurs Requiring Student to Leave Early

Students should go to the attendance office, Room 203. The parent will be called. The school will accept a fax from the parent if necessary at (212) 312-4882. The student will receive an early excuse pass from the attendance office. This should be brought to the teachers of the courses they missed when they return to school.

DOE Policies on Attendance:

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/school-environment/attendance#:~:text=Attendance%20is%20a%20required%2C%20legal,letter%20to%20the%20student's%20file>.

Please feel free to call the attendance office for further information: (212) 312-4800 ext. 2031

Homerooms 7J-Q - Book your College Counseling appointment!

For Seniors in **homerooms J-Q** -- you may now go ahead and schedule your fall appointment with Mr. Jeffrey Makirs, your college counselor, via the link you received in your email from him last week.

For other senior homerooms, wait for notice from your counselor on when you may schedule your appointment.

All meetings will be IN-PERSON in the College Office (225).

Before you schedule, please keep in mind...

-these are student appointments, not family appointments; Of course, parents can email as needed all year long.

-schedule your meeting during a free period...not during class.

-if you are not applying early, schedule your appointment for any date AFTER November 1.

Before your meeting, save us some time and complete these easy steps:

1-**match your Common App to Naviance** (see "Common App Matching Quick Guide" in the Document Resources Section of your Common App). You'll find Document Resources by using the drop-down arrow by your initials in the upper right corner of your screen

2-**make your rec letter requests in Naviance** (see "Naviance Letters of Recommendation Quick Guide" instructions in the Document Resources Section of your Naviance account).



3-indicate in your Naviance account any colleges to which you currently plan to apply in the "colleges I'm applying to" section. *You can certainly change your mind after our meeting! That's totally fine!* But, it helps me to advise you if I at least have some idea what might be thinking at this stage. Students may also go to **open Q & A everyday during 10th period and also after school most days** or email questions throughout the year.

How to Obtain ACT/SAT Fee Waivers

The start of a new school year is a good time to review our policies regarding the distribution of fee waivers for the ACT & SAT exams and how to request transcripts for enrichment programs, internships, scholarships, etc.

ACT/SAT Fee Waivers

Who is eligible? All financially disadvantaged (as determined via completion of NYCDOE school lunch forms) 11TH and 12th graders are eligible for fee waivers for these exams. Each family must complete an [income verification form](#) each school year. Eligible meal codes are A, 1 and 2. *And again, only 11th and 12th graders can use fee waivers for the ACT or SAT exams.*

How many times can an eligible student use a fee waiver for these exams? In their lifetime, eligible students can use a fee waiver to register for the ACT twice, and the SAT twice. Fee waivers are considered to be used upon registration, not actually taking the exam; registering for an exam with a waiver but then not taking said exam still counts toward the limit on fee waiver use.

Does the spring School Day SAT for juniors at Stuy count toward my fee waiver limit? No, it does not.

How may one obtain an exam fee waiver? Eligible students request a fee waiver by emailing our College Office secretary, Ms. DeMasi. ***INCLUDE THE STUDENT'S NAME, OSIS NUMBER AND OFFICIAL CLASS IN THE EMAIL.***

ADeMasi@schools.nyc.gov

Please know that **if you have ever registered for the SAT fee waiver, you do NOT need to request an additional waiver from the College Office to register for future SAT exams.** CollegeBoard will have a record that you are eligible for fee waivers and will automatically allow you to test for free when registering until you have met your limit.

Please visit the following links if you'd like more information about ACT/SAT fee waiver policies:

https://stuy.enschool.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=126943&type=d&termREC_ID=&pREC_ID=392197

<https://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/FeeWaiver.pdf>

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers>



Transcript Request Instructions

You may view and download transcripts on your Talos account - click GRADES>EXPORT PERMANENT RECORD.

Students who will need to request their transcript to be sent from Stuy for any scholarship, internship, summer program, etc. during the 2022-2023 academic year must simply follow the instructions posted [on our website](#).



Please remember that current Stuy students should NOT use Parchment. Current eniors applying to colleges should NOT use Parchment or the transcript request form posted in the aforementioned link. Seniors will instead indicate their college plans in Naviance.

PROGRAMS, OPPORTUNITIES & LINKS OUTSIDE STUY

Join U. Chicago Virtual college search events 9/26-9/29/2023

To celebrate Neubauer College Week, a series of events that will provide college search resources is part of the Excellence and Experience at UChicago speaker series. Speakers from diverse backgrounds, experiences, professional fields, and academic interests, will share their insight on how **UChicago** has shaped their success. Join UChicago and our partners as we explore the ins and outs of the college admissions process.



- **Tuesday, 9/26 7-8 p.m. CDT: [Excelencia at UChicago](#):** Join us for a candid conversation between James Nondorf, Vice President for Enrollment and Student Advancement, Dean of College Admissions and Financial Aid, and Andre Castro, AB'22, who will talk about his experiences in the College as well as racing in NASCAR.
- **Wednesday, 9/27 from 6-7 p.m. CDT: [Financial Aid](#):** Want to learn more about various forms of financial aid? Learn about the financial aid opportunities and how to apply for aid.
- **Thursday, 9/28 from 7-8 p.m. CDT: [Essay Writing Workshop](#):** Learn about college essays with UChicago College Admissions.
- **Friday, 9/29 from 6-7 p.m. CDT: [UChicago Student Panel](#):** UChicago students will talk about campus and student life and attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and gain a greater understanding of the student perspective.

Students who participate in at least two of the events above will receive a special surprise, so be sure to sign up today!

If you have questions, please send them to collegeadmissions@uchicago.edu.

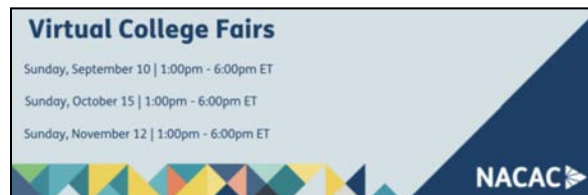
Apply for the the 2023-24 Thomas Wolfe Scholarship at UNC Chapel Hill

The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship at UNC Chapel Hill is now open for applications for the 2023-2024 cycle. The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship offers annually a scholarship for full undergraduate support to one incoming student. Please see details attached. Any questions can be directed to TWSqueries@unc.edu.



Fall 2023 NACAC Virtual College Fairs - Register!

Registration is open for the Fall NACAC Virtual College Fairs! You and your students are invited to attend the first NACAC Virtual College Fair of the fall on **Sunday, September 10** from 1-6 p.m. (ET)!



[Register now](#) for free![Register Now for Free](#)

The virtual fair is a great opportunity to connect with colleges and pursue your college dreams. Have a quick video chat with a rep, drop in on a virtual presentation, send a question through chat - make a connection YOUR way!

Our fairs will also feature **MatchMaking!** At the time of registration, you will select the attributes that are most important to you in a college. You'll then receive an email that best matches you to the specific colleges and universities based on the criteria you provide. Reference this email on the day of the fair to connect with your best matches! Be sure to register early to take advantage of this great feature!

Check out a [video](#) on how it all works!

In-Person College Fairs NACAC is offering several in-person National College Fairs this fall. You can register and find our full schedule [here](#). If your state isn't on the list, we may be headed your way in the spring of 2024!

Apply by 10/6/23 for U. Rochester's Multicultural Visitation Program (MVP)

University of Rochester's **Multicultural Visitation Program (MVP)** offers a funded campus visit for prospective students from a wide range of backgrounds and allows them to experience Rochester on a more personal level. We invite current high school seniors attending school in the United States who otherwise financially might not be able to visit campus to apply for MVP.



As a participant in MVP, you will receive free transportation to and from campus, a one-night stay in a residence hall with a current student, and specialized programming on top of our Research Rochester Open House events. MVP will take place **Thursday, November 9– Friday, November 10.**

Learn more about the program and application details at admissions.rochester.edu/visit/multicultural-visitation-program.

Space is limited, so apply by the deadline on **Friday, October 6.** The application requires two brief essay responses, a permission slip, and your unofficial transcript, so we recommend reviewing the application in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact us at mvp@rochester.edu or (585) 275-3221.

CEC Meeting - September 20, 2023 @6pm

CECD2 September Meetings

Date: Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: In Person: Location to be announced

Note: This meeting will be held in person and broadcasted via Zoom and YouTube.

Videoconference: [Zoom Advance Registration](#)* (Max 500 attendees)

Livestream: [YouTube](#) (No Registration)

Agendas: Agenda to follow (will be available 72 hours prior to meeting)

Resolutions for Consideration (subject to additions):

> [Resolution #230 - Resolution to Support Students with Personal Information Compromised in the June 2023 Data Breach](#)

They will announce the location shortly. The public is welcome to attend both the Calendar and Working Business Meetings on this date but please note, the in-person, open public speaking portion will be held only during the August Calendar Meeting.

We will be broadcasting the meeting so you will be able to view the meeting remotely; however, you will need to be in-person to participate in the open public speaking portion*.



CPAC Meeting - September 14, 2023 @9:30am

Topic: CPAC General Membership Meeting Time: September 14, 2023, 09:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Please join us as an observer. All are welcomed! The meeting will be livestreamed on [CPAC's YouTube channel](#) [CPAC NYC - YouTube](#)

Reminder: For the purposes of voting on any CPAC business, only the voting members/designee of your district who is eligible to vote shall be seated at the table and/or virtually on Zoom.

September's Theme: Salutations and Welcome Back!

Agenda* 09:30 - Roll Call 09:35 - CPAC Business & Updates *Agenda* Parent

Organizations DOE Emails - DIIT FACE Updates Expediated Elections NYC PS Chancellor David C. Banks.



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at ringram3@schools.nyc.gov