

WEEK OF OCTOBER 16, 2023

Stuyvesant High School Weekly Update

2023-2024 -- Issue #7



This past weekend, **Stuyvesant administered the first fully digital PSAT/NMSQT to 702 of our 805 juniors.** In two testing sessions, our juniors were able to complete the exam smoothly. We are grateful for the months of planning by Assistant Principal, Dr. Gary Haber and so many behind-the-scenes staff members, including our Tech team and all those who came in on Saturday to make this a success. For students, **scores will come out in two releases on your College Board account: on November 6 and November 16, 2023.** Which release a student falls in depends on what day they tested, so keep your eyes on your account for scores. For more information see [this link](#).

On Tuesday, the Parent's Association will host their General monthly meeting virtually at 7pm. Their special guest speaker is Dr. Aviva Legatt, founder of Ivy Insight and author of *Get Real and Get In*. She will discuss standing out in the college admissions pool. Registration information is in this Update below.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month! **October 27 is "Wear It Pink" day** in support of those struggling in the fight against Breast Cancer. Show your support and wear pink! Find out more on awareness and how to support at [this link](#).

If you missed the update via email regarding **grading for marking period 1**, you may view it on the Talos Document Hub at [this link](#). The marking period will end on October 19. Information on Report Card

distribution will be provided in the next Update. We will host Fall Parent Teacher Conferences on November 16 (evening) and November 17 (afternoon). The conferences are remote and families will receive specific instructions on signing up on Talos to receive calls. In November.

In this Update below, you will find links to the slide from the College Office presentation on Financial Aid last week. **Be sure to look over the [reminders](#) in this update for Attendance reporting protocols including COVID absences, and forms we need from all families.**

Here's what's coming up:

October 17 - General PA Meeting (virtual) 7pm

October 19 - End of MP1

October 24 - SLT Meeting 3:45pm

October 25, 27 & 28 - STC Fall Musical

October 27 - Homecoming Football game 6pm at Pier 40

October 30 - Parent Workshop for Korean-speaking families 9:30am (in person)

October 31 - Stuylooween, Extended homeroom schedule, distribution of BooGrams

November 1 & 2 - Fall Open House for Middle School Interested Families 5-8pm

November 6 - Senior Portrait Retakes 9am-3pm (sitting fee applies)

November 7 - **Election Day; Student Non-Attendance Day**

November 8 - Sophomore Family Workshop 6:30pm

November 9 - Parent Workshop for Korean-speaking families 9:30am (virtual)

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UPCOMING STUY EVENTS & DEADLINES

Regeneron Research Reviewers Needed

Biology Teacher, Mr. Jason Econome shares that this year we had a very successful year, providing students with over 50 laboratory research internships! Students are receiving meaningful feedback on their research papers. However, a second pair of eyes from any current parents/guardians or Alumni with a background in certain research fields is helpful and appreciated!.

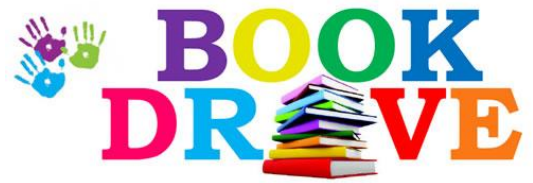
This year, students are working on projects involving molecular biology, bioinformatics, ecology, psychology, computer science, artificial intelligence, physics, mathematics. If you have the time and the appropriate background please contact JEconome@stuy.edu with your specific background and you'll be matched with a student's paper along. ***The papers need to be reviewed within the next 2 weeks (Nov 06 deadline).*** Not all of the papers are complete yet but whatever feedback you can offer will still be very helpful.

We appreciate the generosity of your time and continued support with this annual endeavor.



Book Drive for Second Hand Literature 10/10-10/20/2023

Second Hand Literature, an organization dedicated to improving literacy rates among the youth, is hosting a book drive from October 10th to October 20th. There will be a bin by the scanners with a sign labeled Second Hand book drive. Simply drop off any books that you want to donate and are in good condition from periods 1-10 or afterschool. These will be distributed to underfunded children, so support a good cause!



BooGram Sales start 10/16! Send a CandyGram to your friends for Stuyloween!

Each year, Stuyvesant's Student Union has the tradition of selling BooGrams for Halloween where students are able to purchase low-priced Candy Grams that are delivered with messages on colorful cards to their friends during homeroom on October 31, our Stuyloween Halloween tradition.

Purchase BooGrams starting this Wednesday, October 16 through October 28 outside room 211 from periods 4 through 4pm daily. There will be \$1 and \$2 Chocolates or Gummy options available for purchase. Students may send them to friends, staff, admin and teachers!



Join Guidance Small Groups after school! Reply by 10/19/2023

We're excited to announce the start of Groups in the Guidance Department! These groups will help students foster friendships, build peer support, develop coping skills to manage life's challenges and engage in self-care. This year, we will be starting with "Connect and Create," "The Zen Den," and "The School Board."

Check out flyers and interest forms around school and links below for more details about each group. These groups are an excellent way to build community with other Stuy students. Groups will be led by counselors and interns who are all invested in creating a safe space for students to express themselves.

Groups will begin the week of October 23rd, 2023. Please **reply by October 19th, 2023**—dates and times to be determined by interest forms received.

Connect & Create -- <https://forms.gle/Bwp1kon5D8fh6XWXA>

The Zen Den -- <https://forms.gle/yDKTyrh4ishX2VgK8>

The School Board -- <https://forms.gle/cScBKzvDTX2gIn886>



PA General Meeting 10/17/2023; Special Topic: College Admissions

The next General meeting of the Parent's Association will take place on **Tuesday, October 17, 2023 at 7 pm on Zoom**

Registration link will be provided in next week's newsletter.

We'll be joined by **Dr. Aviva Legatt**, founder of **Ivy Insight** and author of *Get Real and Get In* (St. Martin's Press) to discuss how your student can craft their experience and stand out in the college admissions pool

Register to obtain the live stream link for the meeting at: <https://www.ticketsource.us/stuy-pa/t-pqkmmndv> .



Apply for an Alumni Mentor by 10/28/2023

Apply by Saturday, October 28th for the 2023-24 School Year!

[APPLY TO BE A MENTEE!](#)

If you're an alumna/us looking to be mentor to current students, [click here](#).

Program Overview:

Founded by Stuy alumna **YanJie Hou '06** in 2014, the Stuyvesant Alumni Mentoring Program is a facilitated group-based mentoring program that connects Stuyvesant alumni with the current student body to facilitate individual growth for Stuyvesant students. Over the course of the program, accepted applicants will learn about careers in numerous fields, develop a lasting bond with Stuyvesant alumni, and gain essential skills for success.

The Alumni Mentoring Program wants to provide YOU with the information and insight you need to:

- **Market yourself** as an unique individual with passions and ambition beyond the statistics of your high test scores and numerous AP classes
- **Gain perspective** on the college admissions process from a number of alums who have conducted admission interviews with Stuyvesant students for top universities
- **Explore careers** of different industries such as engineering, medicine, computer science, business, and law
- **Learn lifelong professional skills** such as marketing yourself in a resume, preparing for interviews, and communicating with adults and other professionals

Most Stuyvesant students do not realize that colleges look beyond a certain high GPA/SAT score. In actuality, college admissions seek students with leadership potential, developed passions, and ambition. They want students who are primed for success – people that know what values are important in life and how to utilize the universities they are applying to further develop their potential.

Furthermore, success in the real world demands more than just pure intellect. Communication, public speaking, social and professional etiquette, and knowledge about different careers are just some of the many knowledge and skill set required in a professional work environment. The Stuyvesant Alumni Mentoring Program is intended to help you develop these key skills.

[Learn more HERE](#)

A promotional graphic for the "Get an Alumni Mentor" program. The top section has a red background with the title "Get an Alumni Mentor" in white. Below it, in a white box, is the text "Stuyvesant Mentoring Program" and "Mentee Applications Out Now!". The middle section, titled "You'll learn about...", lists three topics: "Professions & Life Skills", "Resumes & Interviews", and "College Admissions", each with a corresponding colored circle. Below this is the deadline "Apply by October 28th" and the note "Link in description - our application is simple!". The bottom left corner shows the website "stuyalumni.org/mentorstudents". On the right side, there is a circular inset image showing a group of people in a meeting or classroom setting.

Parent Workshops in Korean! Join us for a 3-part Series!

Stuyvesant will host a three-part series of workshops for families in Korean beginning on October 30th with an in-person Q&A session! All workshops will take place at 9:30 am to 11am. The workshops on November 9 and November 15 will take place virtually on Zoom. The link to join those meetings are below with the topic listed. There will not be a hybrid or remote option for the meeting on October 30 taking place in person at Stuyvesant.

We hope to see you at one of these informative workshops! Special thanks to the PA Korean Outreach Committee, our Family Engagement Team and School Counselor, Ms. Kristina Uy on their collaboration to bring these workshops to our families in the language of their heart! These workshops present materials that are covered in English at various workshops; only the meeting is entirely in Korean.



10/30/23 - In Person Q&A forum 9:30am, Lecture Hall B. Submit questions at this link:

<https://forms.gle/FtWHeKKpbqNjzsUU6>

11/9/23 - Virtually at the link below presenting "Navigating High School and Beyond" 9:30-11am

11/15/23 - Virtually at the link below presenting "What do Teenagers Struggle With" 9:30-11am

Link for Zoom Meetings - <https://zoom.us/j/94062550228?pwd=T2llbndKczROOmVQdG5lMmFPRXlmUT09>

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Fall Open House 2023 - 11/1 & 11/2/2023! PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Stuyvesant High School invites interested families of prospective students in grade 8 to attend our Fall Open House scheduled on:

- **Wednesday, November 1, 2023, from 5:00 - 8:00pm for residents of Manhattan and Brooklyn; and**
- **Thursday, November 2, 2023, from 5:00 - 8:00pm for residents of Queens, the Bronx and Staten Island.**



We need current parents and guardians to volunteer with crowd control, supervising fundraising, assisting families and more! Please sign up to help at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080949AFAA2EABF58-44379310-stuyvesant>

Visiting families will register to attend at the link on www.stuy.edu or view virtual tour at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j4SuJlCY-VI>.

SENIORS: Submit your Baby Photo, Quote & Info for the Yearbook by 11/4/23

The Indicator Yearbook staff has opened submissions for senior yearbook materials (senior quotes, baby photos, and directory information) from **now until November 4th**.

Seniors should use this link to submit!

<https://forms.gle/emmnEBm576asqDju8> .

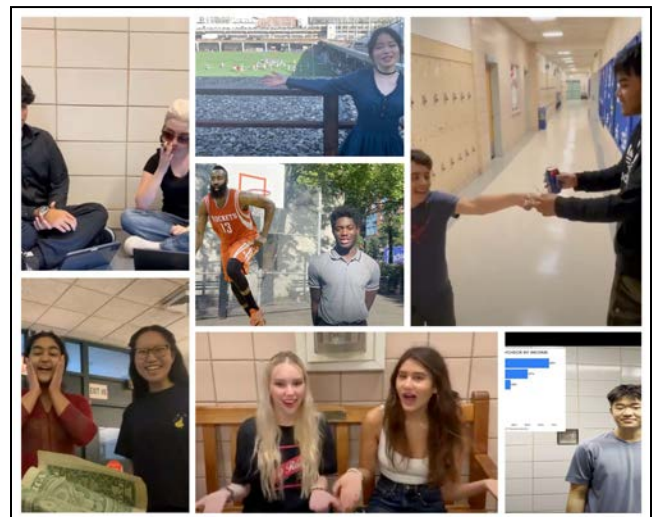


FEATURED NEWS & CELEBRATIONS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Personal Finance Class releases PSA videos!

Math teacher, Mr. David Peng shares PSA videos from the personal finance class.

For this task, students were assigned different demographics and tasked to create a PSA that effectively delivers the idea of saving money to their target demographic based on what they learned in class. The students had a fun time recording and editing the video and wanted to share the video with the Stuy community.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bo2UmZZoo_I&list=PLWO4TYqbFTTx8pHZRW5w73u6KJD1UKS1

For a full size photo collage [click here](#) or view them in action on the YouTube link. Click on the right to keep seeing individual videos.

Stuy Hosts Hispanic Heritage Month Dinner 2023

On Thursday, October 12, Stuyvesant hosted its annual Hispanic Heritage Month Dinner in the student cafeteria with many students, alumni, staff and families present to celebrate! The celebration featured musical guest Cuarteto Guataca, an NYC based band specializing in Son Cubano and salsa that was founded in 2014 by Stuy alumnus '02, Josh Levine and Jainardo Batista.

Keynote speaker was Christina Guerola Sarchio, Stuy alumna '87, an accomplished lawyer for many years and the Hispanic National Bar Association's President-Elect this year!

School Counselors, Angel Colon and Sandra Brandan were recognized by the SHSAA for their



contributions to the Hispanic community at Stuyvesant with awards.

Special thanks to Stuy ASPIRA, Stuy's DEI Committee, the Mosaic Outreach committee of the PA and SHSAA!
[For a full size photo collage, click this link.](#)

Mr. Sandlers Jewish History class tours the Lower East Side

Social Studies teacher, Mr. Robert Sandler shares that his students had an absolutely amazing time during their walking tour of the Jewish Lower East Side. For 70% of them, it was their first-ever visit to a synagogue, and on that single day, they had the privilege of exploring three distinct synagogues: the Bialystok Synagogue, the Eldridge Synagogue, and the Greek Synagogue. Each of these places symbolized the incredible diversity and the profound historical legacy of the Jewish community.

Beyond the synagogues, they delved into the rich tapestry of Jewish social and cultural institutions that played pivotal roles in helping Jewish immigrants adapt and thrive upon their arrival in New York City from czarist Russia.

Notable locations we visited included the Educational Alliance, the Yiddish Forward, and the Henry Street Settlement. These institutions were instrumental in providing support and resources to newcomers, and their impact was palpable throughout our tour.

The day wasn't complete without indulging in the flavors of the old neighborhood. The students savored pickles, Bialys, mouthwatering pastrami from the iconic Katz's Delicatessen, and delectable smoked fish from Russ and Daughters. These culinary delights added an extra layer to their enriching experience, making it an unforgettable adventure that our students will cherish for years to come.

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



Chorus students visit the Metropolitan Opera House

On Friday, October 6, Choral Director Ms. Shamazov and four parent chaperones took chorus students to the Metropolitan Opera at Lincoln Center to watch the final dress rehearsal of G. Puccini's great opera *La Bohème*. The singing, staging, and live orchestra were incredible.



Congrats to the Boys & Girls Cross Country Teams on Manhattan College Tournament

Congrats are in order for the **Boys and Girls Cross Country teams** who had an impressive showing (despite the downpours) at the Manhattan College Invitational where each team place:

Varsity Boys 1st place

Dawson Carlisle, Lucas McGarvey, Raphael Ramot, James Anderson, Philippos Kogiantis, Chenming Fang, Clyde Konty

Sophomore girls 2nd place

Emma Savonije, Jiya Pate, Kanchanok "Ting Ting" Zhang, Ruiyin Deng, Rhea Malhotra, Daphne Zheng

JV Girls 3rd place

Anchine Liu, Carla Li, Alyssa Kang, Sasha Orr, Anoushka Shah, Uma Sukhu

Varsity Girls 7th place

Emily Li, Skye McArthur, Caroline Hon, Yuma Kono, Suyeon "Emily" Ryu, Elaine Wong, Medha Prasad

JV Boys 7th place

Rayan Capanu, Otto Halbhuber, Alex Ho, Tim Ng, Tsz Hang Ko, Geoffrey Huang, William Chen

Freshmen Boys 8th place

Tyler Horiuchi, Daniel Jung, Kabir Madan, Oscar Scribner, Rai Chaudhry, Ryan Ho



RESOURCES & REMINDERS

Repeated Reminders - click for more information:

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

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

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

[Attendance Policy & Procedures](#)

[How to Obtain ACT/SAT Fee Waivers](#)

[AMC Registration is Open! Register for the Exams by 10/23/2023](#)

[Fall Term AIS \(Academic Intervention Services\) Schedule](#)

Mr. Blumm's Opportunities Bulletin #6 - 10/13/2023

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.

SENIORS: Enter EA/ED/REA to Naviance by 10/23/2023

This is a reminder that all seniors applying to colleges via Early Action, Early Decision, Single Choice Early Action, or Restrictive Early Action must indicate these application plans in Naviance **on or before Sunday, October 23.**

IF YOU HAVE 10/15 DEADLINES, PLEASE ENTER THEM IN NAVIANCE ASAP!

Be aware that if you enter early plans after this deadline, we may not be able to submit documents until after the first week of November.

PLEASE KNOW THAT INDICATING YOUR EARLY PLANS IN COMMON APP DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY UPDATE NAVIANCE! If you don't complete the steps below, we won't know that you're applying early, and your documents will not be sent.

Here's how to indicate the application plan (EA/RD/etc) for each college in your Naviance account:

- go to "**colleges I'm applying to**"
- click on "**EDIT**" next to one of your early colleges
- select the correct application plan for the college by using the drop down menu under "**App Type**"
- make sure to also indicate the correct application method under "**I'll submit my application**" choosing **either "Via Common App", or "Directly to the Institution"**. The latter choice would be for colleges like MIT, Georgetown, any colleges you are applying to via Coalition App, etc.
- click "**save college application**" to save
- **repeat for each college** to which you are applying

To manually add colleges like MIT and Georgetown to your Naviance "colleges I'm applying to" list:

- go to "colleges I'm applying to" in your Naviance account
- click on the big blue circle with a + icon on the right side of the screen and follow the on -screen prompts:
- identify the college in "which college are you applying to" by scrolling down or typing the name and selecting
- select the app type (Regular decision, early action, etc.)
- select the appropriate response under how "I'll submit my application" choosing either "via Common App" or "Directly to the Institution". *It is critical that this matches how you will actually apply.*
- select a response regarding whether or not you will submit SAT or ACT scores (choose undecided if you don't know yet)
- select "Add Application"
- repeat these steps as needed!

Please remember that **your Common App and Naviance accounts must be matched in order for the College Office to submit required documents** to your colleges. And, your **Common App FERPA waiver must be complete**. If you have yet to do either, please do so asap! Directions can be found in the Document Resources section of your Naviance account within the College Office folder.

See one of our counselors during the 1st, 5th, 9th or 10th period if you need assistance. We are usually available after school as well!

Best of luck with those early applications, and hang in there...you can do this!



PROGRAMS, OPPORTUNITIES & LINKS OUTSIDE STUY

Enter the Regeneron Talent Search Competition by 11/8/2023

The deadline to enter the [Regeneron Science Talent Search](#) (STS) is less than a month away. This contest is the nation's oldest science research competition for high school seniors, awarding \$3.1 million to students AND their schools each year, and it is open now **until November 8**.

Need help with your project? See our Research Coordinator, Dr. Tu in room 817 or note that she set up a Google Classroom for all students who may be interested in entering competitions or attend science talks. The code is rxc3pfv.

Out of the nearly 2,000 high school seniors who will [submit an application](#), 300 will be named scholars with 40 selected as finalists. Finalists and their work have appeared in [The New York Times](#), [The Washington Post](#), [Forbes Magazine](#) and more, including many high school student papers! Many also go on to win the most prestigious honors in science, including Fields Medals and Nobel Prizes. For media information or other questions about the competition, please email sts@societyforscience.org.



College Now Spring 2024 Application

The time is here, the Spring 2024 CCNY College Now program recruitment, outreach and application process will commence **October 5 - December 5, 2023**. Kindly note that all supporting documents (i.e.; official transcript, PSAT/SAT, Parent/Guardian consent form) are to be uploaded onto the Dropbox. There are two Dropboxes; 1) new applicants and 2) returning students (those with prior CCNY CN experience).

The Dropboxes will **close December 8 promptly at 4:59 p.m. Pictures or screenshots of supporting documents will not be accepted.**

Pictures and screen shots of documents is not legible and complicated to increase size for recognition of information. Attached find the following documents to assist with the Spring 2024 application process:



- Spring 2024 Course Offerings and Descriptions
- Guide to Application Submission
- Parent/Guardian and Media consent forms
- Program flyer (includes QR code)
- Immunization Record form

Find attachments at [this link](#)

CEC Meeting - October 18, 2023 6pm

Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2023

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: In Person: District 2 Office, 333 7th Avenue, New York, NY 10001, Room 706.



Note: This meeting will be held in person and broadcasted via Zoom and YouTube. You will need to be in-person to participate in the open public speaking portion.

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

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

Agendas: [October 2023 Calendar and Working Business Meeting Agendas](#)

Resolutions for Consideration (subject to additions):

Other Public Documents:

[Draft of Minutes for the September 20, 2023 Calendar Meeting and Working Business Meeting](#)

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