

WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 2023

# Stuyvesant High School Weekly Update

2023-2024 -- Issue #9



**Stuyloween Memories Video: <https://tinyurl.com/StuyloweensPast>**

It's **SPIRIT WEEK** at Stuy! Everyone is encouraged to participate in our themed days – see below for the guide our Student Union sent to students last week! Tomorrow is **Stuyloween!** A Stuyvesant Halloween celebration! Don't know what you'll be yet? If you're interested in participating, check out some of the costumes of Stuyloweens gone by in this short video montage at <https://tinyurl.com/StuyloweensPast>.

Today we are hosting a parent workshop for Korean speaking parents in our lecture hall at 9:30am led by school counselor, Ms. Kristina Uy. The workshop will be completely in Korean. It's the first in a 3-part weekly series. If you or a friend speak Korean, be sure to pass the information on!

Last chance for senior yearbook photos will be on Friday 11/3 and Monday 11/6 – be sure to read instructions and the sitting fee payable to the company.

Registration has been ongoing for AP Exams with students receiving their join codes from their teachers to register on their College Board accounts. **Registration and payments for exams are due by November 8.** Students who applied for exceptions by the deadline of 10/29 will receive decisions and instructions from Dr. Haber this week.

Distribution of **report cards** will take place tomorrow via email. We will host **Fall Parent Teacher Conferences** on November 16 (evening) and November 17 (afternoon). The conferences are remote via phone call. **You must request through Talos to receive calls.** You may request anytime between November 2 at 8am and November 9 at 5pm. It is not first come first served. We will take all requests entered on Talos between 11/2-11/9, and an algorithm will determine appointments assigning the maximum number of conferences to each teacher. Please read the detailed instructions you will receive via email this week.

We are hosting our Fall Open House for interested middle school families this week on Wednesday and Thursday. Parents and guardians who are interested in providing translation on group tours should sign up to volunteer. Don't speak another language? We still need volunteers!! [Sign up by tomorrow, 10/31.](#)

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

**October 31** - Stuyloween, Extended homeroom schedule, distribution of BooGrams & Report Cards

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

**November 2** - Parent Teacher Conference requests open on Talos 8am

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

**November 7** - **Election Day; Student Non-Attendance Day/Fully remote for staff**

**November 8** - Sophomore Family Workshop 6:30pm

Deadline to pay for AP Exams

Organization Day Event (Counseling Department) 8:45am-4pm

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

Deadline to enter requests for Parent Teacher phone calls on Talos 5pm

**November 10** - Library closed

**November 16 & 17** - Parent Teacher Conferences by appointment (phone calls)

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## UPCOMING STUY EVENTS & DEADLINES

### Spirit Week & Stuyloween 2023!

The Student Union is excited to announce that Spirit Week and Stuyloween Day are next week from October. 30 to November. 3! Stuyloween 🎃 is next Tuesday, October 31st! As a reminder, review the *safety guidelines before wearing your outfits to school.*

Here is the schedule for Spirit Week:

**Monday, October 30th - Musical Artist Day** 🎤

Dress up as your favorite musical artist or wear merch from your favorite musical artist



## Tuesday, October 31st - Stuyloween 🎃

Dress up in a Halloween costume and submit to the [Stuyloween Costume Contest](#) by **Friday, November 3rd**, for the chance to win a prize: **\$50 gift card:** Best Duo/Group Costume **\$50 gift card:** Overall Best Costume **\$25 gift card:** 2nd Best Costume **\$25 gift card:** Most Creative Costume

## Wednesday, November 1st - Dress As Your Type Day 💕

Dress the way your ideal romantic “type” would dress!

## Thursday, November 2nd - Twin Day 🐱🐱

Wear the same outfit to “twin” with a friend or multiple friends.

## Friday, November 3rd - Pajama Day 😴

Come to school in your comfiest pajamas or sweats.

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## 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=T2llbndKczRQOmVQdG5lMmFPRXlmUTog>

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## Stuyloween on Halloween 10-31-2023

Tuesday, October 31 is Stuyloween! Stuy's annual Halloween celebration! See the Student Union's Spirit Week and Stuyloween post on the student costume contest! We welcome staff and students to come dressed to impress!

**IMPORTANT:** Please help us to make this Halloween a safe and enjoyable day for everyone. Follow the guidelines:

- Students cannot wear masks or make-up that covers their face (photos after school are permitted).
- No bats, sticks, swords or anything that may be construed as a weapon may be brought to school at all.
- All DOE and Stuyvesant rules and regulations must be adhered to.

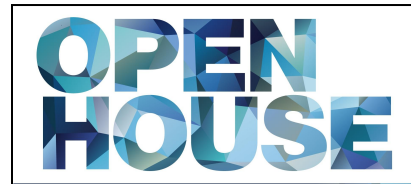


We want all to have fun and be safe. Please take extra care traveling to and from school and travel in groups whenever possible. If you see something concerning, please let us know right away.

## 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](http://www.stuy.edu) or view virtual tour at

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

## Apply for an Alumni Mentor **DEADLINE EXTENDED TO 11/1**

Last chance to apply for this year's Alumni Mentoring Program! One of the best resources available to Stuyvesant students, the Alumni Mentoring program offers **advice and experience** from Stuy's accomplished **alumni**. Through the Program, you are **setting yourself up for success** and will learn many **important soft and hard skills**, including:

- College essay writing
- Life Skills
- Career Exploration
- Resume Crafting
- Interviewing



- Public Speaking
- **And much much more!**

Visit our website (link above) to learn more! Eligible: All Stuyvesant students

Dates: Dec 2022 - Jun 2023 (meets on average once to twice a month)

Location: Stuyvesant High School for in-person sessions, Zoom for virtual sessions. FREE!

Link: <https://www.stuyalumni.org/mentorstudents/>

### Senior Portrait Retakes 11/3 and 11/6/2023

Any senior student who missed the opportunity to take their portrait may participate in the retakes. (There is a \$10.00 re-sitting fee that is paid directly to Studio at the time of the sitting.)

Retakes will take place on Friday, November 3rd and Monday November 6th anytime between 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

While students do not need appointments, there is a \$10.00 sitting fee.

This fee is paid directly to the studio representative. Students should head to the rear of the theater by the North exit on the lobby level.



### Family Workshop for Sophomore parents - 11/8/23 @6:30pm at Stuy! REGISTER.

Stuyvesant High School is thrilled to invite our 10th grade families to our Annual Family Engagement Workshop for Sophomore parents & guardians that will take place in person at Stuyvesant on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 6:30pm.

Join us by 6pm for refreshments provided by the PA in the lobby!

Director of the College Office, **Mr. Jeffrey C. Makris** will present on **Early College Awareness**. We'll also be discussing **Expectations at Stuyvesant** and **Navigating Naviance**.

**To gauge our attendance and prepare, please fill out this registration form:**

<https://forms.gle/GdapNiimrhxLE4VCA>.

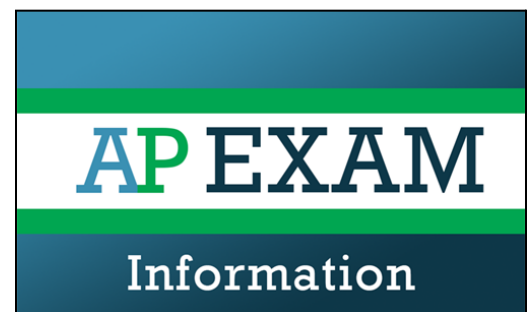


### AP Exam Payment Portal Open - Deadline 11/8/2023

**Fall registration for Advanced Placement (AP) exams has been ongoing.** AP exam registration is required for students who desire to sit for AP exam(s) and can *only* be completed by students at [My AP](#). Students use the Join Code provided by their teachers if currently enrolled in an AP course. Students who wish to self study for an AP Exam must apply for an exception. **Payment for AP exams is a separate step from AP exam registration.** All instructions and details will be provided via email to students and families.

#### TIMELINE

- Payment portal opens 10/23/2023
- Deadline to apply for exception 10/29/23
- Notification of approval of Exceptions from Dr. Haber 11/1/23
- Payment portal closes 11/8/2023



- Stuyvesant High School AP Exam Schedule release 1/30/2024

**NOTE:** Students who qualify for economic hardship have historically had their AP exams fees paid for by the NYC Department of Education (NYC DOE). If the letter they received from Stuyvesant indicates a status of “NO COST”, students should register only; and not go to the payment portal. This does not include late registration fees and/or no show and cancellation fees. Do not check off or pay late fees if you register by November 8, 2023. Families may complete the [Family Income Inquiry Form](#) if the source indicated on their letter from Stuyvesant reads “No Application”. You may fill out the form online to ratify your status. This takes several days to reflect entries and/or changes in the school’s system. Fees must be paid by the deadline whether the status changes or not. You may check the status with Ms. Fanelli in room 209 or at [gfanelli@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:gfanelli@schools.nyc.gov).

**PARENTS: Preferred language of communication not English? Tell us!**

Parents and guardians – Stuyvesant’s Family Engagement Team are taking a survey to find out what your preferred language of communication is! **Please fill out this survey ONLY if your preferred language of communication is NOT English.** The form is available until October 31.

Click this link or scan this QR code to access the survey.

Reach out to Ms. Ingram or Ms. Tang if you have questions.



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

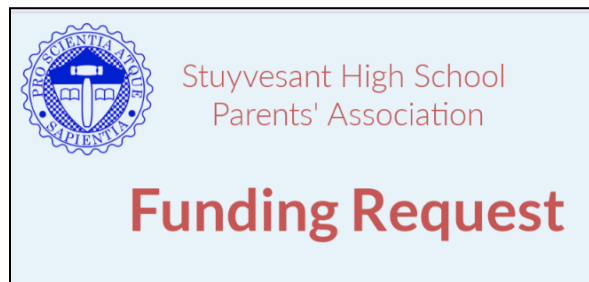
The Indicator Yearbook staff has opened submissions for senior yearbook materials (senior quotes, baby photos, and directory information) from **now until November 4th**. Seniors should use this link to submit!

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



**PA Spring 2024 Funding Requests! Deadline 11/8/ 2023**

The PA’s Spring 2024 Appropriations cycle is now OPEN and faculty advisors, teachers, and student club leaders are invited to submit funding requests for your projects. **Please read the instructions and guidelines** before you begin filling out the Funding Request Form.



- The [Funding Request Form\(see instructions\)](#) and supporting application materials must be submitted by **Wednesday, November 8th, 2023 at midnight**. The submission form will automatically close at 12:01 am on Thursday.
- You must **upload a file with written approval from your AP or Faculty Advisor** as part of your submission (PDF of email or screenshot image)

Please email questions to [appropriations@stuy-pa.org](mailto:appropriations@stuy-pa.org). Reminder that all requests for PSAL, Speech & Debate, Robotics, Music Department, Model U.N., Science Olympiad, Biology Department and Inclusion Initiatives should go directly to the faculty sponsor listed in the instruction letter. Please do not submit the Appropriations form for these requests.

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### Get Organized with School Counselors on 11/08/2023!

Could your binders use some attention? Are you overwhelmed by your backpack?

You are not alone and we are here to help!

**Fall Organization Day will be Wednesday, November 8th, from 8:45 – 4:00 pm in the school counseling suite, room 236.**

No need to make an appointment; walk-ins are welcome (just make sure it's a free period!).

Receive personalized organization advice from a counselor as well as free supplies!

We look forward to seeing you there!



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### Calling all Bakers and Sweet Makers!

Our Fall Stuyvesant Faculty Reception is coming up on Nov. 17 and we need your baking help! Please help us show gratitude for our incredible Stuyvesant Faculty with some sweet treats. We are looking for parent volunteers to drop off homemade goodies that will surely sweeten the day for our Faculty. Please [sign up here](#) if you can send a dessert on Nov. 17 with your student. If you include a short note card with the name of the recipe, any special significance or a message of love and gratitude for the faculty, we will display it. Students can drop off the desserts by **9 am on Nov. 17** outside of **Dr. Haber's office, room 207**.

**Link:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4AA4AA2BA0FC1-45083543-bakers#/>



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### FEATURED NEWS & CELEBRATIONS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

#### Congrats to STC on Fall Musical 2023 Anastasia!

Congratulations to Stuy's Theater Community (STC) on their wonderful Fall Musical, Anastasia! Our talented students did a wonderful job on three successful shows this past week with gorgeous sets, costumes, lighting & sound, acting, music and more! Bravo and congratulations to all!

[See a full size photo collage here.](#)

[For a folder of photos and video clips click here.](#)



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## Stuy hosts Pep Rally & Homecoming Game 2023

On Friday, October 27, Stuy held its annual Pep Rally in the gym where our students and cheerleaders rallied for the Peglegs football team! [Check out our cheer performance here.](#) The players and the team faced off with volunteers in the audience for a game of musical chairs! It was great fun at Stuy and then everyone headed to Pier 40 for the game against Flushing HS. The Peglegs were in the lead but ultimately succumbed in a 15-12. Up 12-0 in the third quarter, a couple of missed opportunities caused the lead to slip away. Congrats on the touchdown: Mekhi Edwards (39-yard rush) Bodhi Sabongui (13-yard rush) Keep rooting for the home team...#GoStuy!



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## Mr. Sandler's Jewish History class welcomes Book Talk

Mr. Robert Sandler shares that this week, his Jewish History class had Austrian historian Lily Maier present a book talk on her newest publication *Arthur and Lily: The Girl and the Holocaust Survivor*. She came to Stuyvesant because after he escaped Nazi occupied Europe and arrived in NYC, Arthur graduated from Stuyvesant in 1947. It was a fascinating lecture!

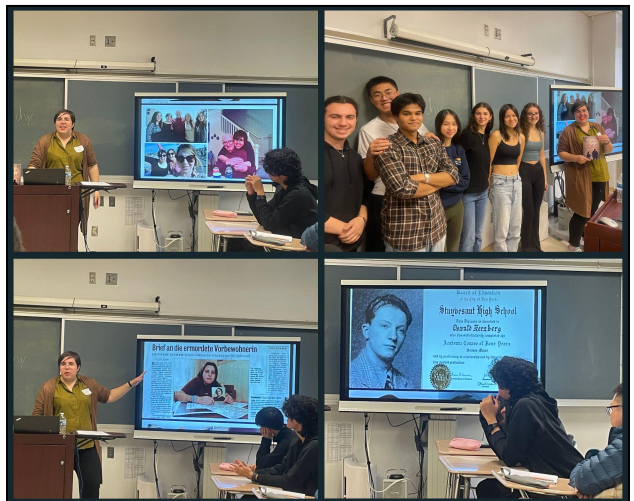
A bit about the book: What do a 75-year-old Los Angeles based rocket engineer and an eleven-year-old schoolgirl from Austria have in common? Not much at first glance, but Arthur and Lilly influenced each other's lives in a fateful way.

In 1939, Arthur's Jewish parents sent their son abroad on a so-called Kindertransport ("children's transport"), hoping to save him from the Holocaust. The separation is a traumatic experience for the ten-year-old. Although he is rescued – from Austria via France to the United States – his family is murdered by the Nazis. He never sees them again.

Sixty-five years later: During a visit to his parents' former apartment in Vienna, Austria, Arthur Kern meets eleven-year-old Lilly Maier. A decisive encounter for both of them, which not only shapes Lilly's further life but also leads to Arthur receiving a long-lost legacy from his parents.

A moving tale of two lives that fatefully cross paths, and an immensely knowledgeable insight into an unknown Holocaust story: the rescue of hundreds of Jewish children to America on a Kindertransport.

[View a full size photo collage here.](#)



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## Join StuyPuentes! A Latino Cultural Club & Spanish immersion program!

Ms. Genao shares that a newly formed Latino cultural student club and Spanish language immersion program, **StuyPuentes**, got together this past Thursday where it shared its mission and vision for our newest familia which includes partnerships with some nonprofits organizations at home and in Latin America. Those



interested in joining can contact the club's leaders via the Stuy Activities page and refer to this introductory Google slide deck which has some useful information, including how to get in touch with the club leadership. Club Cabinet: Daviana Ramnauth(President), Giliana Soto & Kyle Lancman (Co-Vice Presidents), Julieta Badillo Flores ( Secretary) Michelle Belakh (Treasurer), Zarrin Ahmed & Prajusha Azeem(Co-Communications Directors)  
Co-advisors: Sra. Genao y Sra. Mateo  
[See a full size photo collage here.](#)



### Stuy staff win 2023 Staff vs. Students Volleyball game!

Last week, Stuy students faced off with members of our faculty in a volleyball game after school! The staff dominated for the win but it was a fun game for all! Thanks to all the students who came out to play and watch. Special thanks to Assistant Principal, Mr. Moran, PE teachers, Mr. Choubaralian, Ms. Freytag and Ms. Morel-Wernham, coach Carlisi and math teachers, Ms. Vollaro and Mr. DeLatto. [See a stream of video clips from the Stuy Athletic Association here.](#)



### Mr. Sandler's APUSH class see a One Man Show: Eisenhower

Mr. Robert Sandler took his APUSH students to go see a one man show about President Dwight Eisenhower last Wednesday. Directed by Peter Ellenstein, *Eisenhower* is adapted from the president's memoirs, speeches, and letters with the support of the Eisenhower Foundation and permission from David and Susan Eisenhower and the Eisenhower family. The play is set in 1962 at Eisenhower's Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, farm as New York Magazine has published its first list ranking American Presidents in order of greatness. Pondering his placement on the list, Eisenhower looks back on his life --his Kansas upbringing, his decorated Army career, his victories in World War II and his two terms as President – contemplating the qualities and adversities that make an American President great. The students did a talkback with the producer and he asked Mr. Sandler to come on stage and participate!



Below is a review!

<https://nystagereview.com/2023/06/20/eisenhower-this-piece-of-ground-doing-justice-to-the-34th-president/>

[See a full size photo collage here.](#)

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### Stuy BSL tours the Yale Club

Last week, Stuy's Black Students League (BSL) were offered a special treat! An exclusive tour and dining as temporary members of New York City's Yale Club! Huge thank you to the Alumni Association and Stuy alumnus '73, Bob Wright for making this possible.



### Stuy Bio's sheep heart dissection lab

Ms. Jessica Quenzer shares that the club StuyBio conducted a lab where Mr. Papagayo supervised Stuy Bio's sheep heart dissection last Wednesday.

As a reminder, those interested in participating in USABO should register by November 10.

[See a full size photo collage here.](#)



### Mr. Makris moderates Annual "NYC Admission Leaders Panel"

Congrats to Stuy's Director of College Counseling, Mr. Jeffrey Makris who moderated at the **Annual "NYC Admission Leaders Panel"**. With the enrollment landscape is ever changing. Increased competition, skepticism of higher education, legal changes, and a tumultuous economic climate are just a few of the most pressing issues of recent admission cycles. Barnard, Columbia, Cooper Union, Fordham, NYU and SUNY invited Ms. Makris into a dialogue on these and other topics that impact the work that he and our College Office does and the families they serve.



## Stuy Environmental Club heads to Battery Urban Farm

Stuy's Environmental club share photos from their trip to the Battery Urban Farm for their Stewardship Lab program last Tuesday! Find out more on joining this club on [StuyActivities.org](https://StuyActivities.org)!



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## RESOURCES & REMINDERS

**Repeated Reminders - click for more information:**

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

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

[Attendance Policy & Procedures](#)

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

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

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## Travel Safety Tips

Assistant Principal of Safety & Security, Mr. Brian Moran advises all students: **Please make sure to take extra care while traveling** as the days get shorter.

- When traveling to and from school, be aware of your surroundings.
- As much as possible, stay on well lit, populated streets and areas when traveling.
- Safeguard your belongings and do not leave valuables unattended.
- Keep your electronic devices out of sight and use caution when purchasing items from street vendors.
- Whenever possible, travel in groups.
- If you are ever uncomfortable or unsure about something-return to the school building and inform school safety immediately; if you cannot return to school, get to the nearest public place, or adult, ie, office or battery park peace officer and inform them you need assistance.
- Do not purchase any candy or other items from street sellers along your walk to mass transit and avoid engaging with them.
- **If you see something, say something.**



## Read the CIEE Newsletter Summer 2023!

Stuy@CIEE is excited to share the first of our monthly newsletters, detailing the adventures of three Stuy students to [Kyoto and Tokyo, Japan, and Taipei, Taiwan](#). 57 Stuy students traveled all over the world with CIEE last summer, so look out for future issues by students who visited Australia, France, and more! Many of the students who traveled with CIEE received substantial financial aid and merit-based scholarships to fund their experiences. If you're interested in learning more, make sure to email [stuyciee@gmail.com](mailto:stuyciee@gmail.com) or ask questions during the in-class presentations in your language classes later this week.



## Mr. Blumm's Opportunities Bulletin #8 - 10/27/2023

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](mailto:hblumm@stuy.edu).

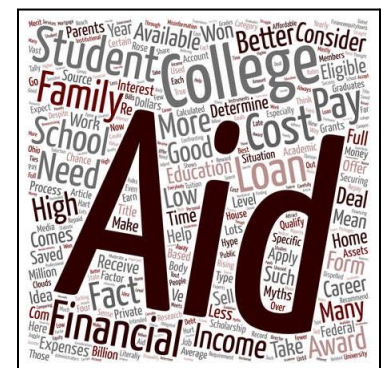


## PROGRAMS, OPPORTUNITIES & LINKS OUTSIDE STUY

### Understanding Financial Aid Webinar 10/30/23

Join in on **Monday, October 30, at 2 p.m. PDT**, for [Understanding Financial Aid](#). During this virtual event, Sandy Sundstrom, Reed's Director of Financial Aid, will demystify financial aid, explain how it works, and show your students how to apply. This overview, featuring Reed-specific examples, will be a handy guide for understanding the financial aid process whether you are applying to Reed College or other institutions.

[Understanding Financial Aid](#)



### Apply to NYABJ High School Journalism Workshop by 12/31/23

Below is an opportunity for students interested in journalism. This application is to be filled out by the interested high school student only, not by a parent, guardian, teacher, or counselor. Answer all of the questions below and submit on the link below. **Deadline: December 31, 2023** Link to apply to NYABJ High School Journalism Workshop Application Form - <https://forms.gle/kXh6uognix5fjxFE8>



Additional Information: Last year students visited the NY Times, CBS News and went out into Times Square to do field reporting. Each student also received up to a \$500 scholarship and transportation back and forth from the program. The program will still be held at the Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism at CUNY, 219 W 40th Street, New York, NY 10018, Saturdays Feb 3- March 9th from 9am-12pm. Here's link to their [capstone podcast](#)

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## **FIT Portfolio Preview Day 11/12 or 12/9/23**

Join **FIT Portfolio Preview Day** on **Sunday, November 12** or **Saturday, December 9**

This event is a great opportunity for students interested in an education in the visual and related arts to meet with FIT faculty and Admissions representatives.

**High school juniors and seniors, parents, and college transfer students are encouraged to attend.**

Students will be able to experience a one-on-one feedback session with a faculty member from one of our associate degree programs in:

Communication Design Foundation

Fashion Design. Film and Media. Fine Arts

Footwear and Accessories Design. Illustration

Interior Design Jewelry Design Menswear

Photography and Related Media

Textile/Surface Design

Faculty members will provide an informal review of your artwork, give helpful feedback, discuss their specific major, and answer questions about professional careers in art and design.

**Your portfolio can include finished pieces, work in progress, and sketchbooks.**

[REGISTER NOW](#)



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## **Environmental Club's Eco-Fact of the Week! 10/30/2023**

The Environmental Club shares a weekly eco-fact - No one likes a glass of spilled milk – and apparently, the environment doesn't, either.

Every year, a staggering one-third of food produced globally is squandered before consumption. Taking into account the amount of energy it takes to produce, transport, and store food, food waste contributes 3 billion tonnes of carbon dioxide. This amount of matter gone to waste is around enough to feed 1.6 billion extra people. So next time you go to the supermarket, try to buy the funkier, “ugly” looking banana – it won't do you any harm, and you will be rescuing the less aesthetic foodstuffs before it goes to waste. **Help to preserve our resources and properly sort your trash!**



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## **Big Apple Connect Program Expansion through 2027 (Free WiFi!)**

More than 330,000 NYCHA residents in 150,000 households citywide now have access to free, fast, reliable, and safe broadband internet and cable through [Big Apple Connect](#). As of **August 1, 2023**, the program was expanded to the **17 public housing developments**. A full listing of Big Apple Connect eligible NYCHA developments are available [here](#).



NYCHA residents without existing home internet are able to sign up for Big Apple Connect with either Optimum or Spectrum (service provider will depend on the location). Existing Optimum and Spectrum customers will have their bills reduced to as low as \$0, as monthly internet and basic cable TV charges are eliminated.

NYCHA residents in eligible developments are eligible to receive a package which includes:

- FREE internet connections with download speeds of up to 300 Mbps
- FREE wireless router
- FREE modem
- FREE basic cable TV
- FREE cable box and remote control

Click [here](#) for more information and to check your eligibility.

<https://www.nyc.gov/assets/bigappleconnect/> How do you enroll? Call your cable provider (Optimum or Spectrum). Optimum: 866-580-1410 Spectrum: 866-960-1754 **How long will this program last?** The Office of Technology and Innovation (OTI) entered into three-year agreements with Altice (Optimum) and Charter (Spectrum), guaranteeing delivery of the program through 2025, with two extension options through 2027.

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## Apply for the Angelo Del Toro Puerto Rican/Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute

The application for the New York City delegation of the [Angelo Del Toro Puerto Rican/Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute \(PR/HYLI\)](#) is now available. Hispanic/Latino(a)(e)(x) high school students may apply to the institute. The program is designed to empower these students and provide a platform for student leadership. Selected delegates will be invited to attend an in-person debate at the New York State Senate Chambers in Albany, NY where all NY delegates will meet and debate the legislative bills learned. Seniors who participate in PR/HYLI may also apply for a college scholarship. Check out this flyer—in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)—for eligible grade 11 and grade 12 students. Interested students should [apply](#) by **November 1**.

For questions about PR/HYLI, email Lisa Pineda.



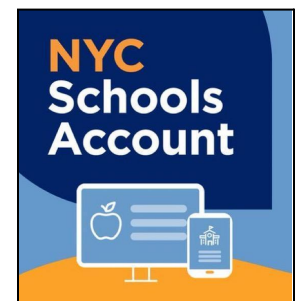
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## NYCSA and TeachHub Mobile Applications Now Available

Get your New York City Schools Account (NYCSA) and TeachHub on your Mobile with Applications now available

**NYCSA Mobile Application:** [Parents/guardians](#) who have an active [NYCSA account](#) can access their child's transcripts and attendance using the NYCSA mobile application that can be downloaded on [iOS](#) and [Android](#) devices. Need an account? Reach out to Ms. Tang at [ntang5@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:ntang5@schools.nyc.gov).

**Important for parents:** Your NYCSA account is the controlling account for all your school accounts. The email address you use there will carry over to all your parent school accounts including Talos and Jupiter, etc. So if you give your account to your child -- you will not have parent accounts, nor will will receive report cards and email from us. NYCSA is NOT a student account! It's your personal parent/guardian account and we will use the email address there for all communication to you.



**TeachHub Mobile Application:** [Students](#) can now use the TeachHub mobile application, an easy, quick way for them to track their transcript, schedule, and attendance information, which can be downloaded on [iOS](#) and [Android](#) devices; students must sign into the application with their [NYCStudents.net](#) username and password. Forgot it? See Mr. Lin in room 209 or email him at [elin41@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:elin41@schools.nyc.gov).

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## RockEdu: LAB Jumpstart & SSRP Information Session on 11/13

Research Coordinator, Dr. Meng Ping Tu shares that both these programs only accept current juniors or seniors, and both PROHIBIT students use any part of the coursework or research project for science competitions. Hence, current Research students should not apply to these programs.

This program may benefit students who are not in the Research Track but are curious about what conducting research is like. All applications are due on Friday, January 5, 2024 at 11:59pm Eastern Time. Letters of recommendation are due on Monday, January 8, 2024 at 11:59pm Eastern Time.

### [LAB Jumpstart at a Glance](#)

Note! you no longer need a nomination to apply to [LAB Jumpstart](#). Any eligible student is welcome to directly submit an application through our online system.

Combined after-school and summer research program to take place at The Rockefeller University  
After-school portion meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30pm – 7pm; February 29 – June 13, 2024

Summer portion (same as [SSRP](#)) requires up to 35 hours per week, Monday-Friday, June 24 – August 8, 2024  
Must be a high school junior or senior (aged 16+ at program start) enrolled in a NYC High School, and must commit to participate in the entire program

Students from underserved communities and minoritized backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply

### [Summer Science Research Program \(SSRP\)](#)

Mentored biomedical research program at The Rockefeller University

Monday, June 24 – Thursday, August 8, 2024

SSRP scholars will be on campus up to 35 hours per week during normal business hours

Applicants must be current high school juniors or seniors

Accepted students must be age 16+ at program start – no exceptions – and must commit to the entire program.

### [Get more info at our LAB Jumpstart & SSRP information sessions](#)

Information session; all are welcome to attend!

Monday November 13, 2023 @ 8pm

What can it look like to become a scientist? Can anyone become a scientist? If you've ever asked yourself this question, and are a junior or senior in high school, come learn about the biomedical research programs at Rockefeller University. Our premier research education wing, lead by RockEDU Science Outreach team, builds pathways for high school students to connect with both scientist mentors and the research process. Anyone interested in learning about LAB Jumpstart and the Summer Science Research Program (SSRP) should [register](#) to attend. Hope to see you there!!! #ScienceIsForEveryone

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## Apply for the Jackie Robinson Scholars Program

The Jackie Robinson Scholars Program offers a scholarship of up to \$30,000 over four years, along with other benefits. See below for details, eligibility guidelines, and to apply.

<https://jackierobinson.org/apply/>

### Requirements:

- Black/African American, Hispanic/Latinx, Native American, Asian American, and/or Pacific Islander



- Plan to attend a four year college within the United States or affiliated with a United States-based college or university

Graduating high school senior Jackie Robinson Scholarship Amount: \$30,000 Application deadline: January 10, 2024 Provider: Jackie Robinson Foundation Requirements:

- Black/African American, Hispanic/Latinx, Native American, Asian American, and/or Pacific Islander
- Plan to attend a four year college within the United States or affiliated with a United States-based college or university
- Graduating high school senior

### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for a Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship, an applicant must:- Be a graduating, minority high school senior- Be a United States citizen- Present evidence of financial need- Demonstrate a record of academic excellence- Demonstrate leadership potential and a dedication to community service- Plan to attend an accredited and approved 4-year college within the United States or affiliated with a United States-based college or university- Have not accrued more than 25% of credits needed to graduate from college.

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***If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [ringram3@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:ringram3@schools.nyc.gov)***