

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12, 2024

Stuyvesant High School Weekly Update

2023-2024 -- Issue #23



This week at Stuyvesant, students will celebrate Valentine's Day with a Bake Sale by the Robotics Team today and flower deliveries in homerooms on Tuesday. We will also continue our celebration of Black History Month by hosting two events on Thursday, February 15. Join our conversation that morning at 9am virtually with the PA's Mosaic committee, Stuy's DEI committee, and Principal Yu and Stuy '06 Gregory Lee. That afternoon at 4pm, the Black History Month Dinner will take place in the cafeteria. There is a registration link in this Update. We encourage you to also [see this link](#) for free events throughout NYC celebrating Black History Month and check the [Stuy Library website](#) for reading recommendations.

The NYC DOE is launching the 2024 NYC School Survey today. We will be emailing detailed instructions to parents and guardians on how to participate in this important annual survey. We appreciate your participation in this survey. Weekly reminders will be emailed to families until the deadline on April 5. While the survey is not anonymous, it is confidential and your answers are not seen at the school or DOE level. Only aggregated data is shared annually. You can view the 2023 results here. See below for more information.

We are happy to announce that the **Commencement Ceremony for the Class of 2024** will take place on Thursday, June 20 at 11am at the United Palace Theater. We will be sending out a detailed letter with information on senior activities for the spring later today to all students and parents. We are so excited to celebrate the accomplishments of our students with you!

We plan to administer the in school **SAT** and **PSAT 10** exams in mid/late March and/or April most likely during a school day. We will have separate test sessions for these examinations. The College Board has transitioned to a digital version for both the SAT and the PSAT 10; therefore, it requires the school to plan and prepare differently to administer the exam to over 1,600 juniors and sophomores. We have not finalized the dates for the administration of the SAT and PSAT 10 as we are awaiting a decision from the College Board for a possible flexibility for the testing window dates. We will send an update to juniors and sophomores this week with more details.

To add to our school guidelines, the Student Union collaborated with the administration to create **Dining Guidelines** for the student cafeteria. Please review them at [this link](#). This Update contains information for many upcoming summer opportunities and scholarships as well as the extensive Opportunities Bulletin released weekly by Mr. Harvey Blumm. As a reminder, please allow for two weeks when requesting **Teacher and Counselor recommendations** for programs. We kindly stress the importance of planning ahead when requesting to give ample time for these thoughtful recommendations to be written.

Be sure to look over the [reminders](#) in this update for attendance reporting protocols, including reporting COVID positive tests, and forms we need from all families.

Here's what's coming up. You can always see more on the Stuy calendar at www.stuy.edu.

February 12-16 - Respect for All Week

February 13 - PA General Meeting 7pm (Virtual)

February 14 - Extended Homeroom/Valentines Day Flower Deliveries

February 15 - BIPOC Parent Meeting 9am (virtual)

Black History Month Dinner & Celebration 4pm

February 19-23 - **SCHOOL CLOSED for Mid-Winter Recess**

February 27 - SLT Meeting 3:45pm (in person)

February 29 - Naviance Training Workshop for Parents 6:30pm (virtual)

March 12 - PA General Meeting 7pm (virtual)

March 14, 15, 16 - SING! Performances

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

March 20 - Open House for Accepted Families 5-8pm

March 25, 26, 28 - International Women's Day Run 2:50-5pm

March 29 - **SCHOOL CLOSED for Good Friday**

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UPCOMING STUY EVENTS & DEADLINES

2024 NYC School Survey Begins on 2/12/2024!

The 2024 NYC School Survey begins on Monday February 12! Parents and guardians will receive detailed instructions via email. Students will fill out their survey in Homeroom on March 5. Staff members will also fill out a survey during faculty conferences in March.

Every year, The Department of Education asks all families of students in grades 3-K through 12, to take the NYC School Survey. The survey gives school leaders a better understanding of what members of their school community think about their school. The information collected by the survey is designed to support a dialogue among all members of the school community about how to make the school a better place to learn.

The deadline to submit the 2024 NYC School Survey is April 5, 2024

Families can access the 2023 NYC School Survey [online](https://nycschoolssurvey.org) in 10 languages at nycschoolssurvey.org or by logging into their [NYC Schools Account \(NYCS\)](#) Parents **must** enter a "f" in front of the student ID number to access parent/guardian questions. One survey for every child attending Stuyvesant will be filled out.

Please note: There is one parent survey per student. Once one parent/guardian fills out the survey; the other parent(s) cannot use the code again. This is not in the control of Stuyvesant. The DOE provides one parent survey per student. We suggest you coordinate your responses.

Your participation is deeply appreciated. Thank you for sharing your feedback!



Notification: 2024 Lead Testing at Stuyvesant

In accordance with State law, all schools must test for lead in water every three years. In 2023, the Department of Education (DOE) began a new testing cycle, which will conclude in December 2025. In the second phase of this testing cycle, a third of buildings will be tested.

Stuyvesant's school building has been selected to be a part of the 2024 cohort. The letter linked below will provide additional details surrounding the DOE's lead testing protocols and procedures.

Once the building has been tested and the lab results received, the principal will receive a notification of the results. In any building where test results show even one water outlet above the action level, the DOE will implement its standard response protocol.

Families and staff should rest assured that New York City drinking water is safe and of the highest quality in the world. New York City's water meets or exceeds all Federal and State standards. In addition, the DOE works with other City agencies to ensure there is safe drinking water in schools. The safety and well-being of students and staff is our highest priority.

Please visit

<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/space-and-facilities/space-and-facilities-reports/water-safety> to learn more about the robust protocol we use to ensure the safety of drinking water in each and every school. Read the letter in [English](#), [Chinese](#), [Korean](#), [Bengali](#), [Spanish](#) or [Russian](#)



Respect for All Week at Stuy 2/12 to 2/16/2024

Stuyvesant will observe [Respect for All Week](#) (RFA) from February 12 through 16 this year.

School Counselors will conduct Freshmen Seminar for RFA on February 26th and March 4th. On Monday, February 12, they will complete a section of training on Check & Respect focusing on sexual harassment.

During Respect for All Week, we will build upon ongoing diversity programs and embark upon new initiatives that promote respect for diversity and focus on preventing bullying, intimidation, and bias-based harassment.

National No One Eats Alone Day will be on February 16th, a lunchtime event during which students are encouraged to connect and engage with their peers in order to combat social isolation. For information and activities on No One Eats Alone Day, visit NoOneEatsAlone.org.

[See more information here.](#)



PA General Meeting 2/13/2024: Focus on Mental Health Awareness

Stressed about tests, papers, tryouts, college apps, work and extracurricular activities and feeling overwhelmed?

Stressed about work, health, family responsibilities, world affairs, and sometimes unsure of how to approach parenting when your child is anxious? Looking for practical tips and suggestions to manage stress and anxiety?

If so, **please join the Parents' Association General Meeting at 7 pm on Tuesday, February 13, 2024**

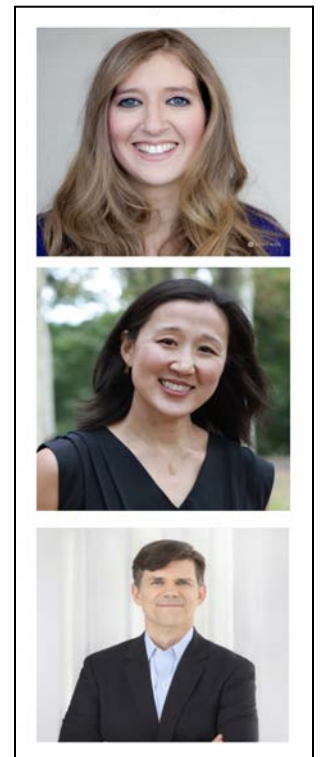
Assistant Principal **Ms. Casey Pedrick** will start the informational session with an overview of the resources available to students at Stuy. Then she will be joined by clinical psychologists **Dr. Terri Bacow**, **Dr. Doris Chang** and **Dr. Jonathan Kaplan** for a presentation and Q&A. Drawing from their expertise, they will offer suggestions on overcoming anxiety and stress for teenagers and their parents.

[Dr. Terri Bacow](#) is a widely known expert in cognitive behavioral therapy, an evidence-based therapy approach. A Brown and Boston University graduate, she sees clients in her private practice on the Upper West Side where she specializes in treating anxiety and mood disorders. She's the author of *Goodbye, Anxiety: A Guided Journal for Overcoming Worry*.

[Dr. Doris Chang](#) is a licensed clinical psychologist and Associate Professor in the NYU Silver School of Social Work. She completed her doctoral training at UCLA and postdoctoral training at the Department of Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School. Her research seeks to advance the well-being of racial and ethnic communities with a focus on Asian Americans.

As a clinical psychologist, Dr. Jonathan Kaplan serves as the Director of the [SoHo CBT + Mindfulness Center](#). For over 25 years, he's provided cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT), Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT), and mindfulness-based interventions. He has written books on mindfulness and led workshops at K-12 schools throughout NYC. He also is the proud parent of a junior at Stuy.

[Register Here](#)



Families: National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) Opt Out; deadline 2/16/24

Assistant Principal, Ms. Casey Pedrick shares this important announcement for all families:

The DOE regularly requests data from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC), which has a database of college enrollment and degree information for more than 3,600 colleges and universities. To access this data, the DOE

submits each student's name, grade level, and date of birth to NSC so that they can match the students' college information. As in previous years, families have the right to request that their child's name, grade level, and date of birth not be shared with the NSC. **Families who do not want their child's information released to the NSC must complete the opt-out form and return it by February 16, 2024.**

[Download this form](#) and send back with your child to room 222 or email to Ms. Pedrick at cpedrick@schools.nyc.gov ONLY if you wish to opt out.



Join the Mosaic/BIPOC Parent Virtual 'Breakfast' on 2/15/24

Stuyvesant High School's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee (DEI), Equity Team, and Mosaic Outreach Committee of the Parent Association are hosting our annual virtual breakfast discussion with Principal Yu and Stuyvesant HS's Black & Latin(a/o/x) families and allies. Join us in a fruitful discussion of student success and how best we, as a community, can improve our efforts in promoting unity and inclusion. Translation will be provided in Spanish.

DATE: February 15, 2024 at 9am

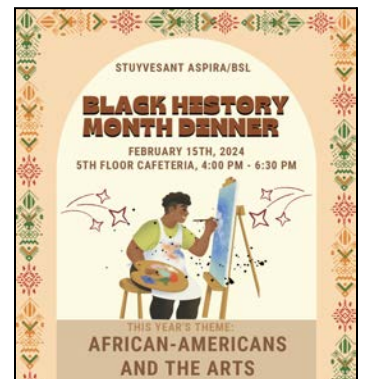
Register by February 12 to attend using this link:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tjYqc-qspistGte_MvvoevPJI9-Z3o2KiRt8



Join Stuy's Black History Month Dinner Celebration on 2/15/24

Join Stuyvesant BSL and Aspira's annual Black History Month dinner and celebration on Thursday, February 15 at 4pm in the cafeteria. There will be live music, cultural dishes, performances and more! This year's theme is African Americans and the Arts. Register to attend at this [Eventbrite link](#).



Last Chance! Check Lost & Found before 2/16/2024

The **Lost and found** bins will be cleaned out and items donated. The last day to collect lost items will be conclusion of the school day on Friday, February 16, 2024. Students should check the bins for belongings and retrieve them. The 'Lost and Found' bins are located across the hall from room 209 and behind the security desk in the lobby



Holocaust Survivor Speaker Event on 2/16/24

Students are invited to attend a special speaker event in the library after 10th period on Friday, February 16 to hear the inspiring story of Holocaust survivor **Sami Steigmann**. All students are welcome to attend, whether you have questions or simply wish to listen and learn. Read more about him at [this link](#).



Stuyvesant Naviance Virtual Training Workshop 2/29/24 @6:30pm

We are happy to present our 3rd Naviance workshop in collaboration with the Family Engagement Department! Current families in grades 9-11 are invited to join us for this parent workshop on Zoom webinar led by Ms. Allison Kleiman, college counselor at Stuyvesant High School. Please join us on February 29, 2024 at 6:30pm to learn what Naviance is used for, how to narrow college searches and how to make the best use of Naviance for your child's grade level. Families with current

Stuyvesant students in grades 9-11 are welcome to attend. Translation will be provided in Mandarin and ASL. If you have questions, you may submit them in advance of the webinar at this link:

<https://forms.gle/AR5a4t78yCgsHkPG9> until February 28, 2024 at 8am.

Register to attend the webinar: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VSOPYzqVQeqO-RHRhIjpFw



Library Monitor Application Spring 2024

Join Stuy Library as a Library Monitor!

If you're interested in helping at the Stuy Library -- fill out the application at bit.ly/slspring24 and Indicate your availability according to your official program. ACT FAST! Fill out your application asap!

Mandatory Library Monitor Training: All new monitors must attend our after school training session - **Wednesday 2/28/2024 at 3:40pm**

ALL MONITORS (including returning): [Please review our guide to shelving](#).



SENIORS: Order the 2024 Indicator Yearbook!

Class of 2024 Yearbook sales have begun! Please note that only seniors are photographed and highlighted in this book.

We encourage the class of 2024 to purchase a yearbook using the link from Herff Jones at [THIS LINK](#).

The cost of the book is \$75.



This past weekend, some class of 2024 seniors and/or their families received an email from Herff Jones, the publisher of the yearbook, offering them the opportunity to purchase a yearbook. Through a miscommunication on the part of the company, the appearance was that this email was from Stuyvesant High School. While the email was not from the school, it was legitimate and they obtained those email addresses from sales of yearbook ads. The link in the email is also legitimate. There were no phishing or scam links associated with that email. If you purchased a yearbook through that link; it was a legitimate purchase of a Stuyvesant Class of 2024 yearbook. If you received that email, you will also receive an email from Herff Jones today clarifying this information.

There is no February 1 deadline to purchase a yearbook. We will advise you of a deadline soon. If there is financial hardship, please reach out directly to Ms. Ingram at ringram3@schools.nyc.gov to discuss.

SENIOR FAMILIES – IMPORTANT – Purchase Senior Package for Class of 2024 Graduates

The Senior **graduation package** for the Class of 2024 is available for purchase! The package consists of a cap/gown/tassel, a Senior t-shirt, a diploma cover, and a graduation keychain. All seniors **must** have a cap & gown to walk across the stage at graduation.

All sales are final. Please make sure that you are selecting the correct size for your gown and t-shirt. The school does not have stock on hand. You must order from the vendor. The cost of the package is \$62.94.

Order your package here:

<https://stores.smoothusa.com/stuyvesanths-grad/shop/home>

Package purchases are paid directly to the Smooth, the vendor, and shipped to your home. Order early and in time for graduation -- date and venue TBA.



Purchase Early Bird PA Spring Gala Tickets for 4/13/24!

Purchase your tickets for the Parent's Association's biggest community and fundraising event of the year!

Join us at the annual Spring Gala! Saturday, April 13, 2024 from 6-10pm.

The first 200 tickets are \$100 each (\$125 each thereafter).

onecau.se/stuy-springgala

All proceeds from the Gala go towards providing students with basic school supplies, books, physical education equipment, and science materials, as well as enrichment programs such as art, athletics, music, drama and clubs. Our families' generously donated items and experiences, sponsorships and advertisements, donations and participation in the auction. This is all essential to the success of this fundraiser and will help all students realize their full potential!

Congregation Rodolph Sholom at 7 West 83rd Street, New York, NY



Join #StuyReads Spring 4Ward Reading Challenge!

The [#StuyReads](https://www.instagram.com/stuyreads) Spring "4-ward" Challenge has begun! Complete 4 reading tasks by May 28th to receive a prize and be entered in our gift card drawing at the end of the term. This semester, we are challenging you to read:

1. A Non-Fiction Graphic Novel
2. A Historical Fiction book set in an Eastern country



3. A book of short stories
 4. An entire poetry collection
- Happy reading! Ask a Librarian or visit stuy.libguides.com for more information
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FEATURED NEWS & CELEBRATIONS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Ms. Dunkel's APUSH class makes paper dolls

Assistant Principal of the Social Studies department shares that students in Ms Dunkel's AP Human Geography class have serious fun with paper dolls for a unit on women in agriculture in class!

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



Congrats to Stuy Boys Swimming & Diving Team on PSAL A Championship!

The Stuyvesant Boys Swim Team won the overall high point team award at the 2024 PSAL Boys Swim & Dive 'A Championship'. Congratulations to **Liam Mac Colla, Ethan Pak, Tommy Wang, and Charles Ding** who qualified to represent the PSAL at the NYSPHSSA at Ithaca College. The four boys shattered the 200 Freestyle and 400 Freestyle school records! Additionally, Ethan Pak and Liam Mac Colla both won the **Kevin Kwan Memorial Outstanding Sophomore Award**. Bravo!



Congrats to seniors on Wharton Global High School Investment Competition

Congratulations to our remarkable students from Big Apple Investment that advanced to the Semifinal Round of the 2023-2024 Wharton Global High School Investment Competition.

The Wharton Global High School Investment Competition is a 12-week challenge in which students compete in teams, led by an advisor, to win the chance to manage the wealth of a potential client. Presented with a case study featuring this client, teams must create a compelling and creative long-term strategy that addresses the client's investment goals. Along the way, they learn investing concepts with the help of Wharton Global Youth Program materials, conduct in-depth analysis, and buy and sell stocks for their portfolios using an online simulator designed for trading and portfolio-management education.



Following the competition through to the end is a big commitment. Our school's Big Apple Investment was one of 50 top global teams selected from more than 1,600 final competition reports.

Members of Big Apple Investment are: **Tomas Levani, William Li, Luis Vallejo, Charles Merkel, Ashley Lo, Andy Xian and Leonid Metlitsky.** Congrats to all! We're so proud of you!

Congrats as well to Kathleen O'Connell for serving as the team's advisor. They played an essential role in the students' success.

Congrats to SciOly! Winner at 2024 NYC South Regional Competition!

The Stuy SciOly Team won first place at the 2024 New York City South Regional Science Olympiad Competition on Saturday, February the 3rd.

Congrats to all!

There were 23 events and the Stuy SciOly Team won 48 medals in total and 9 first place medals.

Congrats as well to coaches, Ms. Elizabeth Fong and Mr. Scott Thomas.



Stuy students attend the Talking Science at Rockefeller University

Rockefeller University invited ten Stuyvesant students in Sophomore Research and AP Psychology classes to their Annual Talking Science Event. Dr. Winrich Freiwald presented his groundbreaking research on the sectors of the brain's visual system that respond specifically to faces. Our students engaged in post-lecture Q&A, participated in the career path discussion with graduate students and postdoctoral researchers, learned about facial recognition technology, and made their brain caps.



StuyPuentes a la Hispanidad celebrates Three Kings Day

StuyPuentes members have enjoyed some very exciting couple of months. This past January 4th, the club celebrated *Three Kings' Day* known in Spanish as *El Día de los Reyes Magos*. Club members shared some cultural background on how the holiday is celebrated in different Latino countries and communities in the US. They also shared some personal anecdotes on how they celebrate with their Dominican, Ecuadorian, Mexican and Puerto Rican families every year in New York. They also discussed a short video



where the Puerto Rican American playwright and actor Lin Manuel Miranda talked about *Reyes* being his favorite time of the year growing up in Washington Heights with his Puerto Rican family. Students then enjoyed some hot chocolate, traditional Rosca or Roscón de Reyes courtesy of Don Paco's Bakery, and our generous Parent Association. Club members also exchanged Secret Santas or *angelitos* to mark the end of the celebration.

On Thursday, February 8th, StuyPuentes teamed up with some remarkable juniors who volunteer for *NYC Teens for 9 Million Reasons*, a nonprofit that is providing academic help, food and an array of other services to the needy, most recently, to migrant families. Our very own Grace Rhee, Johnny Lin, and Maegan Diep ran an informative presentation on the work they've been doing with migrant families on the Long Island City site of the organization. Afterwards, they were joined by StuyPuentes to spread some joy and love by making Valentines to deliver to migrant children for the holiday.

If you're interested in learning more about how you can volunteer for *NYC Teens for 9 Million Reasons*, contact Grace Rhee. And to keep up with the latest from *Puentes a la Hispanidad*, follow us at StuyPuentes.

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

Catch the Recording: Student Support Services at Stuyvesant

If you missed the presentation last week by Assistant Principal, Ms. Gina Paulson on Stuyvesant's Student Support Services, you can catch the recording now at <https://youtu.be/REFIqO47DiA> and view the [slidedeck at this link.](#)

Ms. Paulson, Dr. Yu and Ms. Ingram in collaboration with the PA Inclusive Education committee brought this presentation to families. Ms. Paulson covered IEP information and 504 accommodations and the indicators that a student may be struggling and what parents can do both at home and with Stuy administration to address concerns; how Stuy partners with students, faculty and families to determine the types of supports a student needs and a summary of the differences between these support types; and how teachers are supported so they appropriately respond to student needs.



RESOURCES & REMINDERS

Repeated Reminders - click for more information:

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

[Attendance Policy & Procedures](#)

[COVID positive? Report your Case](#)

[College Handbook for Class of 2025 with translations now available!](#)

CLASS OF 2024: Join the Alumni LinkedIn Group!

Seniors are warmly invited to become a member of the Stuy Class of 2024 LinkedIn group, which is managed by the Stuyvesant Alumni Association. Here's a link to join:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12371261>



Mr. Blumm's Opportunities Bulletin #22 - 2/9/2024

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.



Transcript Request Instructions

Students who will need to request their transcript to be sent from Stuy for any scholarship, internship, summer program, etc. during the 2023-2024 academic year must simply follow the instructions posted [on our website](#). **Current Stuy students should NOT use Parchment.**



Eco-Fact of the Week from Stuy's Environmental Club

With Valentine's Day just around the corner, many people are buying flowers and chocolates for that perfect day. However, it has been found that in the past 3 weeks leading up to February 14th, 360,000 metric tons of carbon emissions were released due to the transportation of flowers. Since most flowers purchased on Valentine's Day are out of season in the US during the month, they must be shipped in over long distances, usually from South American countries with climates ideal for flower-growing. Maybe you'll think twice when you receive that bouquet later this week.

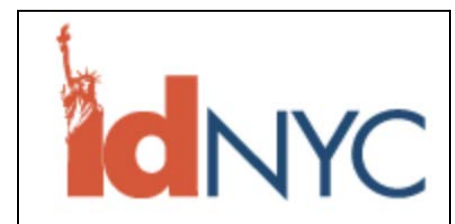


Therefore, **help to preserve our resources and properly sort your trash!**

PROGRAMS, OPPORTUNITIES & LINKS OUTSIDE STUY

IDNYC Applications for High School Students

High School students can find [information](#) on [IDNYC applications](#) at these links! Launched in 2015, IDNYC is a card for all New Yorkers, regardless of immigration status. The free, municipal identification card provides access to a wide variety of [services and programs](#) offered by the City. For cardholders age 16 and older, cards are valid for five years from the date



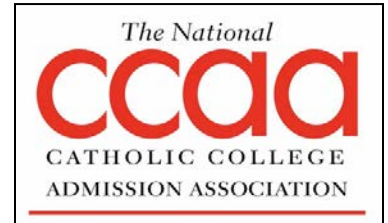
the application was approved. For cardholders under the age of 16, cards are valid for two years from the date the application was approved.

To acquire an ID, high school students can make an appointment through the [IDNYC online portal](#) or can visit a site accepting walk-in applicants. For additional information on IDNYC including a FAQ, review the [IDNYC online portal](#).

The National CCAA First-Year Scholarship Application; deadline 4/1/24

The [National CCAA First-Year Scholarship](#) is awarded to 16 randomly selected students from various geographic regions who attend one of our 116 [member institutions](#) in fall 2024. The scholarship was established to celebrate and promote Catholic higher education, and [the National CCAA Board of Directors](#) is pleased to help support students' transition to college.

The scholarship is a one-time, \$1,000 award. This year's application is available [here](#); it is brief and should only take students a few minutes to complete. The deadline to apply is **Monday, April 1st**. Award recipients will be selected and notified in mid to late April. Further details regarding the scholarship and application procedures can be found [here](#).



Yankees-Stonewall Scholarship Opportunity; deadline 4/5/24

NYC Public Schools, in partnership with the Stonewall Inn and the New York Yankees, are partnering for the 6th Annual Yankee-Stonewall Scholarship Initiative. This one-time scholarship of \$10,000 will be awarded to a NYCPS high school student from each borough. The five recipients will be announced in Spring 2024.

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:

- *A current Senior in high school*
- *Intending to attend a two-year or four-year college*
- *A member of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, Queer or Questioning (LGBTQ+) community or someone who has contributed significantly to the LGBTQ+ community*
- *At least a 2.5 GPA*



View and share the application [HERE](#). The deadline for students to apply is **April 5th at 5 PM**.

The Yankees-Stonewall Scholarship Initiative was created to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Inn uprising and celebrate the achievements of New York City Public School students.

Latino College Expo & Leadership Summit 3/16/24

Saturday, March 16th, 2024 at 9am-2:30pm
Borough of Manhattan Community College
Leadership Summit 9:30am-12pm with two sessions: 10:00AM and 11:00AM

(Online registration required) [Register here](#).

Get more info here: <https://latinocollege-expo.org/>

College Expo at 12pm-2:30pm

More than 50 Colleges, Community based organizations "Ask the Counselor Tables"

EDUCATION IS THE KEY TO THE FUTURE



(No registration required)

Information and Registration / www.Latinocollege-expo.org / (Click on blue button)

Antonio@Latinocollege-expo.org / Damaris@Latinocollege-expo.org

District 2 Town Hall with Chancellor Banks 2/13/24

On **Tuesday, February 13 at 6:30 pm**, CECD2 will be hosting a **Town Hall with Chancellor Banks**.

If you have a question you would like to share with the Chancellor, please fill out this form to submit your question (you may submit multiple times for multiple questions).

Please send by Thursday February 8.

Chinese

<https://bit.ly/D2-TownHall-Chinese>

Spanish

<https://bit.ly/D2-TownHall-Spanish>

English

<https://bit.ly/D2-TownHall-English>

We will select a limited number of questions to ask on behalf of members of our community. All questions collected will be submitted to the Chancellor's Office.

You may register to attend this event at the following link:

<https://learndoe.org/cec/>

English Conference Line: Dial 929 205 6099 (Local NYC) and enter Webinar ID: 161 648 2131

Spanish Conference Line: Dial 646 964 1167 (Toll Free) and enter PIN 160 759 8991

Mandarin Conference Line: Dial 646 828 7666 (Toll Free) and enter PIN 160 007 2661

Cantonese Conference Line: Dial 646 828 7666 (Toll Free) and enter PIN 160 062 1338

Our February CEC D2 Calendar meeting will be held with the Working Business meeting immediately following the Town Hall with Chancellor Banks.

2024 Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) Lottery; apply by 3/1/24

All students ages 14–24 are invited to apply to participate in the [2024 Summer Youth Employment Program \(SYEP\)](#), which is now accepting [applications](#) for summer 2024 via the general lottery through **March 1**.

Additional Guidance for Students with IEPs for the SYEP

Application: Interested students should follow this [TCAC Online Application Guide](#) and submit an [online application](#) for their age group through their borough's [Transition and College Access Center \(TCAC\) office](#) by 5:00 p.m. on **March 1**. TCACs will support students with IEPs and 504 Plans with the necessary information to be added to their applications in order to receive targeted support for placement in the TCAC-specific lottery; this enhances their chances of being placed in their respective borough and program choice. In addition, note the following:

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the TCAC-specific lottery; this enhances their chances of being placed in their respective borough and program choice. In addition, note the following:

- Students ages 16–21 should submit a completed [SYEP Older Youth Participant Application](#); and
- Students ages 14–15 should submit a completed paper [SYEP Younger Youth Participant Application](#).

For borough-specific questions regarding applications for students with IEPs or 504 Plans, contact your TCAC office; for general questions, email nytcacs@schools.nyc.gov.

Macaulay Honors College Information Sessions March–May 2024

Students who are interested in learning more about Macaulay Honors College may sign up for an Information Session from 4:00 pm thru 5:30 pm on the dates below. At the event, they will hear from our current students about their Macaulay experiences, learn about the application process, and more.

[Tuesday, March, 19](#)

[Wednesday, April, 17](#)

[Thursday, May, 16](#)



Apply for the Women's Bond Club Scholarship worth \$40K by 3/25/24

The Women's Bond Club Scholarship was established to assist young women pursuing careers in business, technology and finance in a Wall Street firm, bank, or service provider. **The award is a \$10,000 renewable scholarship, along with a mandatory mentoring program and internship possibilities.**

It is a really fantastic opportunity for young women pursuing this career trajectory; I had the pleasure of working with several winners during my time at another NYC high school. Stuy students first became eligible to compete for this award three years ago, and we have had winners each of those years! This is a scholarship eligible students should not ignore.

The program has very specific and rigid requirements, so PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE [2024 WBC Scholarship Program Outline.pdf](#) BEFORE applying.

Ask a teacher recommender to email their letter to your assigned college counselor no later than March 25 so they have time to upload it to WBC.

Please contact the program directly if you have questions.

The link to the WBC site is here:

www.womensbondclub.com

1. Click on “Sign in” then click “Create a new WBC account”
2. Go back to the Main Screen, click on “Our Programs” and then “WBC Scholarships”
3. Click on “Scholarship Application”

If any issues are encountered with access or the application, applicants should contact Women's Bond Club at membership@womensbondclub.com



Use your P-EBT food benefit to reset it before expiration!

For parents: P-EBT funds begin expiring this month in February. P-EBT benefits automatically expire 274 days, or about nine months, after they were last used. More than 60% of unused P-EBT funds that were issued to families last May will begin to expire in February. Whenever families use the benefits, the timeline will reset and they will have another 274 days before the funds are at risk of expiration. You can check your family's P-EBT food benefit balance by visiting www.connectebt.com or by calling 1-888-328-6399. Families who have lost their P-EBT card can get a replacement by calling 1-888-328-6399.

Please note that this is not a DOE program. All questions from families about the program should be directed to the ODTA site [here](#): NYS Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT) Food Benefits site. You may read the Chalkbeat story and explanation also [available in Spanish](#).



View the DOE letter in [English](#), [Spanish](#), [Chinese](#), [Bengali](#), [Russian](#), and [Korean](#)

2024 Hispanic Scholarship Fund Program Application Due 2/15/24

The 2024 HSF Scholar Program Application is now open and closes on February 15, 2024, 5:00 PM PT. We encourage you to share this opportunity with students in your network.

- Every year, HSF selects 10,000 outstanding students as HSF Scholars from a broad and talented pool of applicants
- HSF Scholars have access to a full range of invaluable Scholar Support Services, including career services, mentorship, leadership development, knowledge building, and wellness training
- Career services include access to select internship and job opportunities with HSF corporate partners
- HSF Scholars are eligible to apply for all Scholar Conferences including, the STEM Summit, Finance Conference, Media & Entertainment Summit, Entrepreneurship Summit, and Healthcare Summit
- Exclusive access to the HSF Insider which shares invaluable information and career opportunities
- Finally, and importantly, HSF awards more than \$30 million in Scholarships annually and, depending upon available funds, HSF Scholars may also be eligible to receive a scholarship, which range from \$500-\$5,000 and are awarded directly to students

Deadline: February 15, 2024, 5:00 PM PT

[Apply Now!](#)

Eligibility:

- Must be of Hispanic heritage
- U.S. citizen, permanent legal resident, or DACA
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for high school students; minimum of 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for college and graduate students
- Plan to enroll full-time in an accredited, public or not-for-profit, four-year university, or graduate school, in the U.S., for the 2024-2025 academic year
- Submit the FAFSA or state-based financial aid forms (if applicable)

About HSF:



HSF empowers families with the knowledge and resources to successfully complete a higher education, while providing scholarships and support services to as many exceptional students as possible.

Founded in 1975, HSF has awarded over \$730 million in scholarships. HSF Scholars have access to valuable Scholar Support Services and, as funding permits, scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$5,000.

Additional Important Information:

- It takes an average of 30 minutes for students to complete Phase I of the 2024 HSF Scholar Program Application
- No essays, recommendations, or document uploads are required in Phase I
- To get started, visit [HSF.net](https://www.hsf.net) and log into or create your myHSF profile to access the HSF Scholar Program Application

HSF Scholar Application Timeline:

- January – Phase I of the application opened January 1 and closes on February 15, 2024, 5:00 PM PT
- Late February – Applicants are evaluated and the most competitive are selected as Finalists
- March 1 – Finalists are announced and asked to submit essays, recommendations, transcripts, FAFSA, and other related documents
- June – HSF Scholars are announced (includes both funded and Scholars waitlisted for funding)
- June to November – Final Document Verification (financial aid award letter, enrollment verification, and related documents)
- December – 10,000 HSF Scholars are confirmed after the verification process is complete

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