

WEEK OF MARCH 25, 2024

Stuyvesant High School Weekly Update

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This week at Stuy the annual International Women's Day Run will take place! Join us today, 3/25 or 3/26 or 3/28! Details are below. As a reminder please place your requests for **parent teacher conference** phone calls in your Talos account by March 28. Detailed instructions in four languages are included in this Update. . Conferences will take place on April 4 in the evening and April 5 in the afternoon. Students will be released at noon on Friday, April 5.

Also taking place this week is the return of the Shakespeare Recitation contest! This fun literary contest on 3/26 is an event not to miss – students may sign up with Mr. Hanna, details below. Stuyvesant will host a Blood Drive on 3/27 in the lobby. Help out this good cause by signing up. **On Friday, 3/29 and Monday, 4/1, schools will be closed in observance of Good Friday and Easter.** Wishing a joyous celebration to all those observing.

Congratulations to all the juniors who completed the School Day SAT at Stuy's first administration for 2024 on Friday, March 22! We will have the second administration on April 19 to the other half of our juniors. Special thanks to Testing Coordinator, Dr. Gary Haber and his entire tech team who spent months preparing for this all-digital exam and its smooth administration!

Please take a few minutes to complete your **2024 NYC School Survey** if you have not done so already. Instructions were emailed to you and will be resent to parents who have not completed it each week. We have currently 76% of staff; 82% of students and 32% of parents completing their survey – please participate! Thank you in advance for your attention to this important survey.

Be sure to look over the [reminders](#) and information on [attendance](#) reporting protocols, submitting [emergency contact information](#), and [changing your address](#)/phone information.

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

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

March 27 - Blood Drive at Stuy

March 28 - Last day to submit PTC requests on Talos

March 29 - **SCHOOL CLOSED in observance of Good Friday**

April 1 - **SCHOOL CLOSED in observance of Easter**

April 4 - Parent Teacher Conferences (remote) 5:30-8pm

April 5 - Parent Teacher Conferences (remote) 1-3pm

April 10 - **SCHOOL CLOSED in observance of Eid al fitr**

April 11 - Spring Into College Admissions Panel (virtual) 6:30pm

April 12 - Spring Choral Concert 6pm

April 13 - PSAT10 9am and 12:30pm

PA Spring Gala 6:30pm

April 15 - SLT Meeting (in person) 3:45pm

April 16 - PA General Meeting (virtual) 7pm

April 18 - Spring Orchestral Concert 6pm

April 22 to 30 - **SCHOOL CLOSED for Spring Break**

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UPCOMING STUY EVENTS & DEADLINES

Join the 2024 International Women's Day Run at Stuy!

Stuy's annual International Women's Day Run will take place this week on **March 25, 26 and 28!** Sign up any walk or run 1-2 miles along the greenway! A \$5 donation or more will not only get you the 2024 IWD t-shirt designed by Japanese street artist, Shiro, but you'll be entered into a free raffle drawing for prizes and you'll be supporting Stuyvesant and a good cause -- The Women's Education Project and the Malala Fund. Join this Stuy tradition whether you are a student (check out all the teachers offering extra credit), parent, or staff member!



Join the Shakespeare Competition on March 26, 2024!

Mr. Dermot Hannon is happy to announce that Stuy's Shakespeare Competition is happening this year! It will be held after school in room 1025 on Tuesday, March 26. Memorize and perform a 15-25 line Shakespearean monologue! and flex your acting chops! All students interested in showing off their Shakespeare should see Mr. Hannon for details or email him at mrhannon@stuy.edu. There will be giftcards for the winners!



Request Parent Teacher Conference calls by March 28, 2024 @5pm!

As announced, requests for Parent Teacher Conference phone calls open on your Talos account today, March 20, 2024 at noon, 12:00 pm EDT. Requests may be made through Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 5:00 pm, EDT. There is no other way to make requests except through your Talos account.

The Parent Teacher Conferences (PTC) will take place via phone calls on: **Thursday, April 4, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm** and/or **Friday, April 5, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.**

Parents/Guardians with Talos accounts received report cards via email today, March 21. We encourage you to use your JupiterEd account to view your child's progress. If you need assistance with JupiterEd, please reach out to Eric Lin at elin41@schools.nyc.gov. You also have access to report cards on your NYC Schools Account or on Talos by clicking 'grades' then 'MP1' on March 12. Note that all grades are numerical.



Confirmed appointments will be emailed on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. Not all requests will be filled. It's important to put your requests in priority order and remember *this is not your only opportunity to discuss or request information from teachers on your child's progress.* Parent engagement is ongoing throughout the year.

Timeframe to request appointments:

BEGIN: Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 12:00 pm EDT

CONCLUDE: Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 5:00 pm, EDT

- Requests are **not** first come/first serve.
- Fill out the form anytime between 12:00 pm Thursday, March 21 and Thursday, March 28 at 5:00 pm.
- **No appointments will be assigned until after the request period ends.**

READ THE FULL INSTRUCTIONS IN [ENGLISH](#), [SPANISH](#), [CHINESE](#), OR [KOREAN](#).

NEW! Self Defense class for seniors this April! Fill out the form!

Thanks to a generous grant from the Parents' Association, Stuyvesant is offering a free two-hour self-defense class to seniors this April. In the class,



students will learn both situational awareness and defense tactics. This special class will include recommendations for how students can confidently and safely handle themselves in college.

- With sessions capped at 30 students each, your child can expect to receive individual attention.
- The first hour addresses common safety scenarios, how to avoid being a target, and street smarts.
- The second hour is physical, covering the most helpful defensive moves (no prior knowledge necessary).
- The class will be taught by martial-arts and self-defense expert Gabrielle Rubin and will be supervised by Stuyvesant staff.
- **The Deadline to fill out the form for the first session is 4/7; for the second session 4/12.**
- Your child will be assigned a specific session: Mon 4/8; Tues 4/16; or Wed 4/17 (all from 3:45-5:45)

[Here is the link to the date preference form](#)

[Here is the link to the parental consent form](#) (students should return to Ms. Dwyer's mailbox in room 211)

Big Sib Applications for 2024-2025 OPEN!

The **Big Sib program** helps incoming freshmen transition into their new high school environment. We are looking for people who possess strong communication skills, who have been involved in the school community, and—**most importantly**—who have genuine passion to assist our Little Sibs! The deadline to apply is **Monday, April 1st, at 11:59pm**. If you guys have any questions, please email big sibchairs25@gmail.com. Link to Application is inserted below:

[Apply HERE.](#)

IMPORTANT: *Current Big Sibs* interested in returning will fill out a different application that will be emailed to their stuy.edu email account and can be found in the Big Sibs 23-24 Facebook group!

NEW COVID GUIDELINES IN EFFECT!

Effective immediately:

The NYC Public Schools (NYCPS) have updated its COVID-19 policy based on the updated CDC health guidance. Instead of a minimum isolation period of 5 days, the CDC recommends people with COVID-19 should stay home and away from others based on their symptoms, similar to how they would for any other respiratory infections, like flu and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). Consequently, there will no longer be a COVID intake form for reporting positive test results to the school. Students should follow and use the regular [absence protocol](#) upon a student's return to school.

If someone has [COVID-19 symptoms](#), they should still get tested and separate from others immediately. It is recommended that they stay home until they have had no fever without taking fever-reducing medicine and other COVID-19 symptoms have improved for at least 24 hours. If they test positive for COVID-19 but have no symptoms, there is no need to stay home, but precautions should be taken upon return to school such as wearing a mask. The NYCPS will continue to provide COVID-19 test kits upon request. You may pick up a test kit in room 103 if needed.



Blood Drive at Stuy - March 27, 2024

The New York Blood Center is in urgent need of blood donations, so please support a good cause and donate if you can! Not only does your donation not cost you a dime, but it saves people's lives!

Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2024

Location: First floor (behind the security desk)

Time: 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

There will be pizza, snacks, prizes, and donor graduation cords given out.

[Click here to learn more about the differences between the two types of donations, as well as the eligibility requirements to donate!](#)

NOTE:

16 or younger: Unfortunately you are too young to donate. See you next year!

Between 16 and 17 years old: You will need a signed parental consent form to donate!

Here is the link for the form: <https://donate.nybc.org/donor/parental-consent-form>

17 years old or older: No parental consent form is needed. You are all set!

If there are no longer any appointment slots for a time you would like- please email ypatel40@stuy.edu. Also, feel free to reach out if you have any additional questions!



Fill out your 2024 NYC School Survey

Parents and guardians received detailed instructions via email. Students filled their survey in homerooms on March 5. Staff members were provided time to participate during faculty conferences in March.

So far, 76% of our faculty, 32% of parents and 82% of students have participated! Thank you! We need MORE to participate!

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.

Students enter their OSIS only at www.nycschoolssurvey.org to participate.

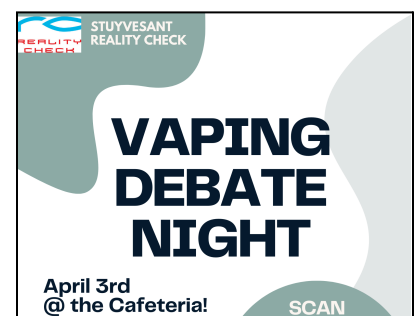
Staff members were provided a unique access code on March 6. Please reach out to Ms. Ingram for any difficulties.

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



Debate Night on Vaping from Stuy Reality Check on 4/3/24 - RSVP

Stuyvesant Reality Check, a tobacco awareness youth leadership club, is planning on hosting a Debate Night on April 3rd in the Cafeteria. We are hoping to educate our fellow peers about the harms and dangers of tobacco through debating controversial topics related to its use and sale. RSVP link is [here](#).



SENIORS: Enter your College Destination in Naviance

Admissions results are starting to come in, and in the coming weeks, you'll be making a final decision about where you'll enroll next fall.

PLEASE enter ALL of your application results in Naviance this spring. Use the edit (pencil icon) for each college on the “colleges I’m applying to” page. This information is essential; it helps us to identify students who may not yet have been admitted somewhere, and the historical data helps us to guide future classes. **Please also indicate whether or not you submitted SAT or ACT scores to each college** by choosing the appropriate option beneath the question

“are you planning to submit your SAT or ACT scores to be considered during the review process” so we can get a better grasp as to how test-optional admissions policies may be playing out for our students at different institutions.

Carefully review your financial aid packages with your family. Compare the total costs of attendance (tuition, room, board, fees and other expenses like books, travel, etc.) with what you were offered in grants and scholarships, work study, student loans, and out of pocket contributions. Assess how much you will need to borrow and/or pay out of pocket over not just your freshman year, but what that will look like over the course of four years. If you applied for financial aid and did not receive a financial aid offer with or soon after your acceptance notification, contact the college or university’s financial aid office.

You may commit/submit a deposit to only one institution. Sending multiple deposits is considered unethical and will not be supported by Stuyvesant High School. We will send your final transcript to the one college you plan on attending at the end of June. Once you have decided where you'll enroll next fall, **inform other colleges to which you were admitted that you have chosen to enroll elsewhere.** This can be done via the colleges’ applicant portal or a short email to the admissions offices. This small but important step helps not only the colleges and universities, but other applicants.

May 1 has been the traditional commitment deadline for admitted students but some colleges have extended that due to the ongoing FAFSA delays. Make sure to follow the commitment deadline your college communicates to you. If, after you commit, you are admitted to an institution that wait-listed you, you are free to change your plans regarding where you will enroll in the fall. You can submit a deposit to the institution that admitted you from the waitlist and inform the college where you originally intended to enroll that your plans have changed. Unfortunately, you will likely lose your original deposit; deposits are typically not refundable after May 1 (or the stated commitment deadline).



Spring into College Admissions 4/11/2024

Register NOW for Stuyvesant's Spring into College Admissions panel! The College Office will present this event virtually on Zoom on April 11, 2024. It will start at 6:30pm and end before 8:00 pm. Live interpretation in Mandarin and ASL will be provided. This event will NOT be recorded, so if you are interested, you must attend the live webinar.

The panel will include admissions representatives from Bates College, Case Western Reserve University, Lehigh University, Macalester College, and Yale University. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and parents in all grades to learn

more about the state of the current admissions cycle, selective college admissions, the variety of



post-secondary opportunities available to students, and what to think about in order to plan for a successful college experience.

This event is open to all students/parents in grades 9-11.

Register at this link: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-c-owoPPSe6TDrD6IQp-SQ

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 Rodoph Sholom at 7 West 83rd Street, New York, NY



Notice to Sophomores: School Day PSAT Spring 2024

Sophomores (Class of 2026)

We will administer the in school digital PSAT₁₀ to all Sophomores on **Saturday, April 13, 2024**, during two separate windows (morning and afternoon sessions). Stuyvesant will automatically register all Sophomores to take the exam and there is no cost to students/families for this PSAT₁₀ administration.

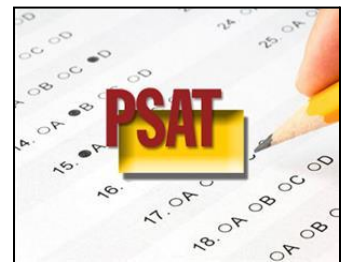
With the transition to a digital version for the PSAT₁₀ we can only test half of the cohort per test window to ensure we have adequate hardware, bandwidth, and personnel for a successful administration. We will have two sessions on **Saturday, April 13, 2024**:

- Morning Window: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Afternoon Window: 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

We will randomly assign students to one of the two windows, so if you plan on taking the PSAT₁₀ through the school, then we ask that you hold the **4/13/24** date. We will not take preference requests, so please be prepared for either of the two windows when you are assigned.

Students who have any questions, please contact Ms. Fanelli at gfanelli@schools.nyc.gov or Room 209.

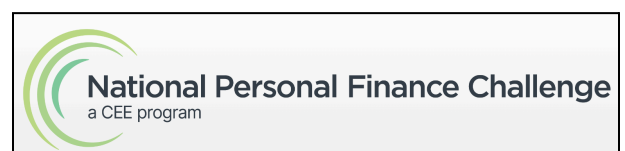
Parents may reach out to Ms. Ingram at ringram3@schools.nyc.gov.



FEATURED NEWS & CELEBRATIONS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Congrats to Stuy BigCompGroup! Headed to NY State Finals!

Math teacher, Mr. David Peng had three groups of students participate in the [New York National Personal Finance](#)



[Challenge](#). The competition consists of an online assessment on various personal finance topics that are taught in a typical personal finance course. One of our teams, Stuybigcompgroup, scored high enough to qualify to compete in the state finals. Congrats to the team!

Zhihan Yao

Christopher Louie

Otto Buff

Daniel Gabai

This is the first year that Stuyvesant qualified for the state finals. This is also Mr. Peng's second year hosting this competition—last year, our top team came in fifth.

Mr. Peng and the team plan to attend state finals at the NY Federal Reserve Bank on April 1st. We're cheering them on!

AP Biology classes visit the DNA Learning Center

Biology teacher, Ms. Marissa Maggio shares that on March 18th and 19th, her AP Bio classes went to the DNA Learning Center in Brooklyn to sequence their mitochondrial DNA! Thanks to the PA for their continued support that allows these trips to happen!!



Congrats to Stuy SciOly! Finished 4th in NY State!

The Stuyvesant Science Olympiad team had a 4th place finish this year at the New York State Olympiad Tournament held at Le Moyne College at Syracuse, New York. The tournament was held on Friday and Saturday, March 15th and 16th. Congratulations to the entire team on your hard work! #GoStuy!



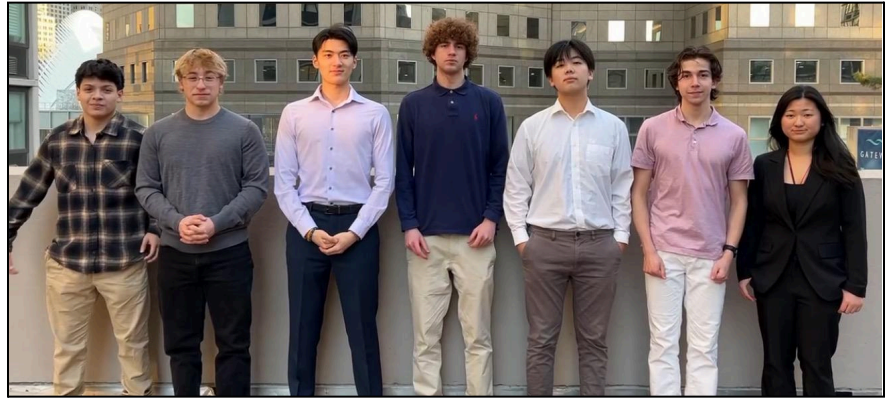
Stuy Opera club hosts Frederick Ballentine!

On Monday March 18th, Stuyvesant Student Club Stuy Opera invited Met Opera Grammy Award winning singer Frederick Ballentine to the chorus room for a Q & A section about the elements of performing. Mr. Ballentine also sung Knoxville: Summer of 1915, his beautiful voice was an excellent demonstration to the club members in attendance.



Stuy team advances to International Finals of Wharton Investment Competition

Congratulations to our students on their performance at the Wharton Investment Competition! Last year, “3,200 teams registered from 53 countries, 1,400 submitted final reports.” This year; 13 teams at Stuyvesant registered. The top 10 teams advance to the international finals on April 20 at Wharton. The Stuy team advancing is *Big Apple Investments*; team photo attached below. Congrats!



In the middle is the Team Leader —

Tomas Levani (senior). From left to right team members are **Luis Vallejo** (senior), **Charles Merkel** (senior), **Andy Xian** (junior), **Tomas, William Li** (junior), **Leonid Melitsky** (junior), and **Ashley Lo** (junior).

Given the statistical significance of the win, the students are extremely excited!

Special thanks expressed to **Karen Leo** and senior **Konstantina**, who helped with their video deliverables!

Congrats to Bio Olympiad Semifinalists!

Biology teacher, Ms. Jessica Quenzer shares congrats to the 2024 USABO Semifinalists **Ian Savino** and **Philip Zhang**! The Semifinalist event is scheduled for April. We're wishing them all the best! Bravo!



Congrats to the new 2024-2025 Big Sib Chairs!

Congratulations to our NEW Big Sib Chairs for the 2024-2025 school year - **Adeline Sauberli**, **Munem Tajwar Raaita Anwar**, **Rachel Alvarez**, **Ushoshi Das**. We are looking forward to working with you!

Shoutout to our outgoing chairs of this year: **Kyle Hon Chan, Erica Liu, Eugene Park, Bishesh Shah, and Alex Zheng**. This has been an amazing year full of activity and your passion has created an amazing community of support for our Little Sibs!



Stuy Welcomes Class of 2028 at Open House!

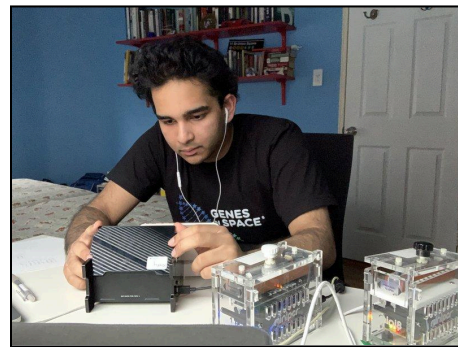
On March 20, 2024, Stuy hosted our annual Open House for students and their families with offers to attend Stuy in Fall of 2024 as well as those eligible to attend our Summer Discovery Program! It was an exciting night with over 2000 in attendance! Along with presentations in the theater from Dr. Yu, Ms. Pedrick and Ms. Ingram, families enjoyed guided tours from Arista members and Big Sibs, department demonstrations and talks with our faculty and conversations with counselors and more. They also met parents from our Parent's Association and students representing clubs and activities and met coaches and sports team members. Hundreds of members from our community were involved in the success of this event. Special thanks to all those who made it a success from the 60+ parent volunteers who even offered translation on tours in multiple languages to our many students and staff members involved!

[See full size photo collages here.](#)



Congrats to Kristoff Misquitta's (Stuy '20) Genes in Space Research Published!

Kristoff Misquitta (Stuy '20) won the Genes in Space contest in 2020, making him Stuy's third winner. His proposal involved the use of the miniPCR thermal cycler and the p51 fluorescent viewer. His objective was to monitor the gene expression level of genes in the liver responsible for drug metabolism. His experiment was launched to the ISS during the summer of 2021, and he has been following up on it since. Finally, the results are published! Biology teacher, Ms. Jessica Quenzer is also noted in the acknowledgements section. You can view the published paper [here](#).



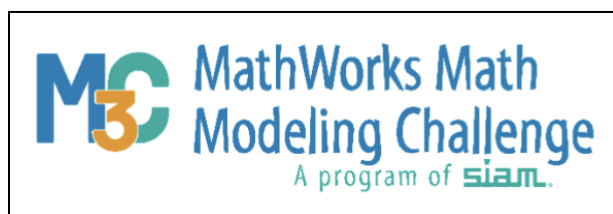
The first part of the experiment was a proof of concept using the equipment to detect low levels of SARS-COV-2. (Last spring, in the Genetics elective, my students performed a variant of this protocol using non viral DNA, and they got it to work.) Congrats to Kristoff!

[Link with photos.](#)

Mathematical Modeling at Stuy!

Congratulations to the team of **Christopher Louie, Ryan Park, Ethan Sharma, Ethan Sie, and Jackie Zeng** for making the second round of the 2024 Mathworks Math Modeling (M3) Challenge!

The team used quantitative and computational models to analyze the root causes of homelessness in major American cities, and their submission was rated in the top 20% of entrants nationwide. Now they move on to compete for \$100,000 in prizes and scholarships! Students who are interested in learning more about how to use mathematics to study real world problems like this can contact Mr. Honner (phonner@stuy.edu) for more information about mathematical modeling opportunities at Stuy.



RESOURCES & REMINDERS

Reminders for 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.

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 The deadline to order is April 2!**

Class of 2024 Senior Graduation Tickets/Dues

The class of 2024's graduation will take place at the United Palace in Washington Heights in upper Manhattan, on the morning of Thursday, June 20th at 11am. Graduation dues will be \$75, and for this amount each family will receive THREE tickets. There will be NO extra tickets to purchase due to the size of the venue; however, there will be a livestream as well as a recording for additional guests and family members to enjoy the ceremony. The link for senior families purchase tickets can be accessed at the following URL:

<https://tinyurl.com/stuy2024>

Mr. Blumm's Opportunities Bulletin #27 - 3/22/2024

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".

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: College Waitlist Advice

Many students and families have questions regarding what to do when wait-listed. It is important to remember that selective colleges and universities use wait -lists primarily to control enrollment needs that arise after May 1, when they know which of their admitted students will actually enroll. If the institution needs more boys, or students from the south or the midwest, or soccer players, or clarinet



players, or students who can pay the full costs of attendance, etc., they pull such students from the wait- list. These are institutional needs over which individual applicants have absolutely no control.

You cannot assume that you will be admitted from a wait- list. While it happens from time to time, the reality is that highly selective institutions admit very few students from the wait -list from year to year. ***Some admit none at all.*** Make sure to commit to one of the colleges that admitted you, the one that you believe to be the best fit, and plan on enrolling there in the fall.

So what can you do if you're waitlisted?

-Commit to staying on the wait -list (use their portal, submit their reply form, etc.)

-Reaffirm your interest & update the college via a concise but informative statement uploaded to your portal or email to the admissions office. Let them know that the institution remains a top choice, and why. If you would DEFINITELY enroll if admitted from the waitlist, you can let them know that. Notify the admissions

office of any new and noteworthy accomplishments about which they are currently unaware, whether they be inside or outside of the classroom. If the institution allows for the submission of new materials (many do not), feel free to do so...so long as you are sending *something new and significant that is not replicating something already within your file*.

-Don't pester the admissions office. Frequent communication, superfluous documents, etc., can actually be counterproductive. Reaffirm your interest, share anything new and important, but then leave things to play out as they will.

Please remember that we cannot call a college to which you've been waitlisted to advocate for your admission. There are several reasons why we can't do this. First, there are simply too many of you (we have over 800 seniors) and too many of you are waitlisted at the same schools. Advocating for some students, but not others, is unfair. Also, this kind of advocacy is ineffective, particularly at highly selective colleges and universities; they aren't going to pull students from wait lists just because counselors ask them to. Their institutional enrollment needs will dictate who, *if anyone*, will be offered admission from the waitlist, and any attempts by our office to convince or pressure them to admit specific students are not only pointless, but potentially seen as amateurish, and may jeopardize our professional relationships with our admissions contacts...relationships that are important for the sake of our current and future students.

We wish you the best of luck as you make your final decisions...remember, this process is about *finding the right fit*. Choose the institution that suits you best given all of the factors that may be important to you and your family.

PROGRAMS, OPPORTUNITIES & LINKS OUTSIDE STUY

JUNIORS: Info on studying in the UK

Some of our students consider attending college in the UK, or elsewhere overseas, each year. The higher ed system and application process in the UK and in other countries can differ from that found here in the US in significant ways, so we wanted to share some important resources with you in case this is something you are considering. We hope you find them helpful.

NACAC Guide to International University Admission;

you'll find this resource in the Document Resources section of your Naviance account in the College Office folder. Read profiles about higher education in many different countries across the globe.

British Council-Study UK:

<https://study-uk.britishcouncil.org/>

<https://www.britishcouncil.us/studyuk/resources-counsellors-advisors>

2022 Study UK Guide:

https://www.britishcouncil.us/sites/default/files/studyuk_counsellorsguide_usa_2022.pdf

UCAS (UK application site): <https://www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-to-university>

Remember also to discuss your plans with your assigned college counselor this semester, and to reach out to them with questions or concerns as needed.



NYU's College Access Leadership Institute summer program for seniors

NYU CALI is a tuition-free one week residential program designed to help rising seniors navigate the college admissions process. The curriculum covers topics including finding college fit, writing the college essay, navigating financial aid, and creating a college list. The program is staffed by NYU admissions counselors and includes a series of intensive workshops and seminars that prepare students to apply for and succeed at college. Students live on campus and create connections with other rising seniors from across the NYC metro area. They also get to [experience a college class](#) with NYU faculty.



The application is open until April 5 and can be accessed [here](#). This is a wonderful opportunity for rising seniors to get a jump start on the admissions process.

Any program-specific questions can be directed to summer.cali@nyu.edu. You can also see a video recap of last year's CALI program [here](#).

Help with the troublesome 2024 FAFSA

Unfortunately, as you may be well aware, many families are still experiencing technical difficulties with the FAFSA. And, as of today (March 21), FAFSA data has only begun to [trickle out to colleges on a very small scale](#)...and that process is also not free from complications.

[Some colleges have pushed back their commitment deadlines](#) for admitted students as a result. However, many colleges that require the lengthy CSS Profile will still hold students to a May 1 reply date as they can generate accurate financial aid offers based upon the data provided within the CSS.

Here are some resources that may help some families with the FAFSA, especially those where a parent contributor does not have a SSN.

Understanding FAFSA (updated for this cycle) <https://understandingfafsa.org/>

Updates for FAFSA Contributors: <https://www.ed.gov/fafsaContributorUpdates>

Tip Sheet for Parents Without SSNs:

<https://www2.ed.gov/finaid/info/apply/better-fafsa-contributor-tip-sheet.pdf>

If you are still having trouble filing the FAFSA, try to connect with [FAFSA support](#) when you have the time, and let your college financial aid offices know why you've been unable to file a FAFSA as needed.

More help: FAFSA Completion Events in March & April 2024

NYC Regional Bilingual Education Resource Network at Fordham University, in Collaboration with NYS Language RBERN at New York University present FAFSA Orientation and Completion Sessions for ELL and Former ELL High School Seniors and Their Parents

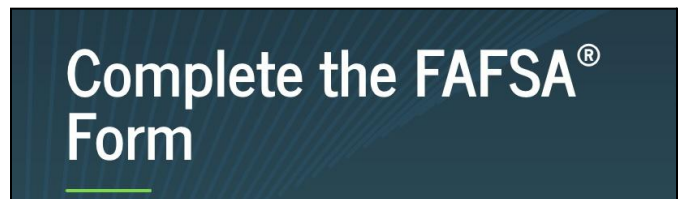
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Sessions will be presented in English, Chinese, and Spanish. These are virtual sessions. These sessions are for ELL and former ELL High School Seniors and their parents who need assistance completing the FAFSA application. Upon registration, you will receive a list of documents you must gather to complete the FAFSA application. You must bring all your documents when you join the last session.

Additional Resources

[HESC Upcoming and On-Demand Virtual Events](#)

[Understanding FAFSA \(Available in 10 Languages\)](#)



FAFSA guide available in 10 languages!

A new financial aid resource on the CACNY website at

[UnderstandingFAFSA.org](https://understandingfafsa.org)

The New York City Department of Education has provided professional translations of our new guide, [Understanding FAFSA & Financial Aid: Your Guide to Paying for College](#)

The guide is now available in ten languages and provides easy-to-read instructions on applying for financial aid, comparing college offers, paying for college, staying in college and more.

Families can view or download all ten versions of the guide here:

<https://understandingfafsa.org/guides/>

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FREE Personal Finance course at MFA in April 2024

The Museum of American Finance is offering its FREE personal finance course to 11th and 12 grade students. Students can qualify for a scholarship upon successfully completing the 5 required sessions. Classes are presented via zoom. No previous knowledge is required.

Open to 11th and 12th graders. **When:** April 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7 (2024) from 4:15–5:30pm Eastern Time **OR** 4:45–6:00pm Central Time

The top four students of each class will be awarded a partial college scholarship ranging from \$500 to \$1,000. Attendance is mandatory and cameras must be on at all times to qualify. Students must register and will be admitted on a first come, first served basis with a limit of 75 students per class. One class will be offered at 4:15pm Eastern Time and another at 4:45pm Central Time.

Registration Now Open: bit.ly/VirtualMFA



2024 Abeny Scholarship; apply by 5/31/24

ABENY is offering both scholarships and service awards in 2024. Please find below the guidelines regarding how students and school representatives may apply:

ABENY SCHOLARSHIPS: (OPEN TO GRADUATING SENIORS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THE FIVE BOROUGHS)

To obtain the current application, click on the link below:

<https://abenyinc.wildapricot.org/scholarship>

The deadline for the submission of nominees for the ABENY Service Award is **May 31**.

Please share with your networks.

We look forward to reading the scholarship applications, as well as learning about the kind of service your students are providing to their schools.



Hunter College Summer Program 2024; Applications Open!

Ms. Elizabeth Hughes, Associate Director of College Counseling at Stuy announces that Hunter's College Now summer program for Summer 2024 now has applications and their program site is live! Here's the link

–<https://hunter.cuny.edu/students/opportunities/college-now/how-to-apply/>



Attend an info session for UC Davis in April 2024

In early April, I will be coming to your area to host an event for your UC Davis admitted students and their families. It would be great if you could share this event with your students so I can answer any of their questions about UC Davis, the UC system, and California. You can share this link with the students so they can register:<https://ua.ucdavis.edu/portal/student-receptions?tab=National>.



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