



# WILLIAMSBURG HIGH SCHOOL for ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

## SENIOR BULLETIN #1 SEPT/OCT 2021

# Class of 2022

### SENIOR GUIDANCE CONFERENCE

All students must have an **Individual Guidance Conference** this term. During the conference we will review your current transcript and graduation contract as well as discuss the college application process and applications. **You should bring your college wish list and a copy of your parents 2020 tax forms (Pages 1-2 of the 1040 form).** Please make sure you attend your scheduled appointment. Students who miss their appointments will be placed at the end of the list. Parents can email Ms. Terraferma if they would like to attend this meeting via conference call or set up a separate appointment.

### SAT SCHOOL DAY

An additional **SAT School Day** has been added this year. All 12<sup>th</sup> graders, even if they participated in SAT School Day in the spring of 2021, will be able to take the exam free-of-charge, in person on **October 28th**. All students have already been registered.

### SAT SATURDAY REGISTRATION DATES AND DEADLINES

In addition to SAT School Day you may also register through the College Board to take the SAT on Saturday November 6th. Colleges “**SUPERSCORE**” your results. **Superscoring** is the process by which colleges consider your highest section scores across all the dates you took the SAT. On the current SAT, this means taking your highest Math score and your highest Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) score across all test dates.

- Register at <https://sat.collegeboard.org>
- The SAT is 3 hours and costs \$55.
- Fee waivers are available to qualified students. See Ms. Terraferma.

Test Dates  
November 6

Registration Deadline  
October 8

Late Registration Deadline  
October 26th

### COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

You should continue to research colleges, attend virtual or in person open houses, information sessions, or campus tours. Fill out the “information” cards to request more information. Make note of all deadlines. Priority Deadlines can be as early as Nov 1<sup>st</sup>.

\*\* Check out the Class of 2022 google classroom for College & Career Planning information, guidebooks, applications materials, etc. You can also research colleges at College Board: Big Future <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

**IMPORTANT – DO NOT SUBMIT ANY APPLICATIONS WITHOUT REVIEW!!!!**

### CUNY APPLICATION – [www.cuny.edu](http://www.cuny.edu)

- CUNY – Consists of 25 colleges throughout the 5 boroughs  
<https://www.cuny.edu/admissions/future-student-guide/>
- All WHSAD students should submit a CUNY application.
- CUNY Application Week is October
- CUNY Application must be submitted **ONLINE** only.
- The application is \$65.00 (for up to **6 school choices**). Please have a money order of \$65.00 when you are ready to apply. Fee waivers will be available for **ANY** student that qualifies. Bring in your 2020 tax forms, budget letter or other proof of income.
- Please refer to the CUNY application worksheet in your packet for step-by-step instructions.
- <https://www.cuny.edu/admissions/undergraduate/explore/programs/>
- Virtual Tours: <https://www.cuny.edu/admissions/undergraduate/explore/tours/>
- CUNY Is hosting a Virtual College Fair where you can meet their admissions representatives from each college and explore the right fit for you!
  - On: Thursday, October 7th 3-6pm (EST).
  - Click here to register: <https://www.cuny.edu/admissions/undergraduate/college-fair/>

- CUNY is also hosting virtual information sessions. Register using the link <https://www.cuny.edu/admissions/undergraduate/explore/events/>
  - Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 4 PM
  - Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 4 PM
  - Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 4 PM

### **SUNY APPLICATION – [www.suny.edu](http://www.suny.edu)**

- SUNY – Consists of 64 Colleges and Universities throughout all of New York State.
- The application is \$50.00 for each school; some students may qualify for a fee waiver (free) for UP TO 7 SUNY schools.
- SUNY application must be submitted **ONLINE** only using the SUNY Portal or the Common Application ([www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org))
- **<https://www.suny.edu/attend/find-a-suny-campus/>**

### **COMMON APP – [www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)**

Common App's free college application tool is designed to make applying to college faster and easier. With Common App you only need to use one system to apply to multiple colleges and universities. There are two main parts you fill out: a set of common questions and each college's own specific questions. Many public and private colleges (NOT CUNY) participate in the common application.

### **SAT COLLEGE BOARD FEE WAIVERS FOR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS**

If you have taken the SAT's you may qualify for additional fee waivers (UP TO 4). The list of all participating schools is listed on the website [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

### **FINANCIAL AID – [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)**

The FAFSA application will be available effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. Students must use **2020 Tax Forms only**. Please do not submit this application without a guidance counselor or a creative connections counselor reviewing it. **Priority Deadline for FAFSA is November 30<sup>th</sup>**.

- Financial Aid Information Night – Date TBD
- FAFSA Fridays: Nov 5, Nov 19, Dec 3, Dec 10, Dec 17
- FAFSA Fiesta: TBD

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

College scholarships are a convenient way to pay for college and are given for academics, athletics, hobbies, ethnicities, etc. Just start searching. I like the website: [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) and <https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/>. Some scholarship information will be posted in the guidance office and/or the "seniors" page on the school website.

### **RECOMENDATIONS**

Colleges need help deciding if a student has the character and ability to function successfully at their institution. A strong teacher and/or counselor recommendation can bring a student to life for the admission committee and may be the decisive factor for students with weaker grades or test scores.

- Many colleges request a Counselor Recommendation. Fill out the Brag Sheet on the Class of 2022 Google Classroom prior to your senior guidance meeting.
- Select 2 -3 teachers or former employers to write you a recommendation. Given the recommendation request from on the Class of 2022 google classroom.
- **REMEMBER TO BE MINDFUL! People who write letters need at least a two week notice! A late request will result in either a hastily written letter or no letter.**

\*\*Note, check our Google Classroom regularly. I will post a lot of resources for you and information regarding deadlines.

\*\* Optimal Deadline: College Applications by November 1<sup>st</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> & FAFSA by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Students who apply early receive priority consideration.

\*\* Marking Period 1 Ends: October 22<sup>nd</sup>

\*\* Marking Period 1 Report Card: November 4<sup>th</sup>