



WILLIAMSBURG HIGH SCHOOL for ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

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CLASS OF
2024

April will be short and sweet ...as long as we are on track. The 2nd Marking Period will end on April 19th. Please make sure you have completed all your assignments, projects, and exams. All seniors must be on track to graduate. Only seniors who are on track will be able to participate in senior activities and walk at the graduation ceremony.

What is happening this month?

At this point, you should have received all your college admissions decisions (letters or emails – check your spam folder). You may have to log into the school's admissions portal (such as CUNY First) to check your application status. If you have not heard anything, stop by the guidance office and we can call the college directly. Please forward your acceptances to Ms. Terraferma (terraferma@whsad.org).

You should review all your acceptances and financial aid packages before committing to a college. Once, you review all the information with your families, you will need to confirm your spot. To reserve your spot, you often need to pay a **commitment deposit**. The deadline to submit your commitment is normally May 1st. Check your college's website as many schools have extended the deadline due to the FAFSA delays.

What is coming up in May?

AP Exams

The College Board AP Exams will be given at WHSAD from May 6th – May 16th. Saturday Review sessions will take place on April 6th, April 13th, May 3rd, and/or May 10th from 9 am – 1pm. Check with your teacher.

- **AP Chemistry:** Monday May 6th (PM Session)
- **AP Human Geography:** Tuesday May 7th (AM Session)
- **AP English Literature:** Wednesday May 8th (AM Session)
- **AP Calculus:** Monday May 13th (AM Session)
- **AP Pre-Calculus:** Monday May 13th (PM Session)
- **AP Spanish Language:** Thursday May 16th (AM Session)

Awards Night

All seniors are invited to our annual awards night on Wednesday, May 29th at 5:30pm at WHSAD. Invitations will follow.

Arts Festival

WHSAD's annual arts festival will take place on Thursday, May 30th at 5:30pm at WHSAD. All our CTE classes will be displaying their final projects.

National College Decision Day

May 1 is known as **National College Decision Day** (or College Signing Day), as it is often the deadline for students to make deposits to attend the college of their choice.

WHSAD will celebrate the seniors and their post-secondary plans at our **Annual Decision Day Party** on Friday May 31st.

Did you submit your financial aid applications?

All students planning to attend college for the fall 2024 term must apply for financial aid.

- Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA): 2024-2025 www.fafsa.ed.gov
 - Log in with your FSA ID
 - USE your 2022 1040 Tax Return
- NY State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP): <https://www.tap.hesc.ny.gov/totw/>
 - Create a HESC account
 - USE your 2022 IT-201 NY Return

SCHOLARSHIPS

Now is a great time to apply for scholarships. Most of these are posted on the google classroom. You can search for more on line. My favorite sites:

- www.collegeboard.com
- www.fastweb.com
- www.studentscholarshipsearch.com
- www.gocollege.com
- www.finaid.org
- www.scholarshiphelp.org
- www.unigo.com
- www.jlvcollegecounseling.com/

❖ **East Kings County Scholarship**

- ❖ Open to high school seniors of color who plan to go to a 4 year college and LIVE in Community Districts of East Brooklyn (such as: Greenpoint-Williamsburg, Bushwick, Highland Park, Cypress Hills, East New York, Brownsville, and Canarsie. See full list on GC).
- ❖ Visit <https://www.ekcdst.org/programs-2/scholarship-4/>
- ❖ Applications are due Monday, April 15, 2024

❖ **1st Financial Bank Financial Goals Scholarship**

- ❖ This is a monthly scholarship open to US residents aged 18 and older who are planning to enroll in a college degree program.
- ❖ This is an essay-based scholarship that centers on the importance of incorporating financial literacy into one's college career.
- ❖ **The deadline is the last day of every month.**
- ❖ Award of \$2000. For more information visit <https://www.1fbusascholarship.com/>

❖ **ABENY (Association of Black Educators of New York) Scholarship**

- ❖ <https://abenyinc.wildapricot.org/scholarship>
- ❖ Deadline is April 30, 2024

❖ **\$20,000 Walter A. Hunt Architecture Scholarship:**

- <https://www.centerforarchitecture.org/scholarships-grants/walter-a-hunt-jr-scholarship/>
- ❖ Deadline to apply is May 13, 2024

❖ **MARCY HOUSES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

- ❖ <https://www.marcyscholarship.org/apply-2>
- ❖ Deadline to apply is May 31, 2024

❖ **NYS STEM Incentive Award**

- ❖ The NYS STEM Incentive Program provides tuition awards to students who are New York State residents attending a public degree-granting college or university located in New York State.
- ❖ Recipients must be in the top 10 percent of students of their high school graduating class, pursue an approved, two or four-year STEM degree program and agree to live in NYS and work in a STEM field in NYS for five years after graduation.
- ❖ <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/nys-science-technology-engineering-and-mathematics-stem-incentive-program.html>

SAVE THE DATES

- **Solar Eclipse:** Monday April 8th
- **No School:** Wednesday April 10th
- **Marking Period Ends:** Friday April 19th
- **Spring Break:** April 20th - April 30th
- **National Decision Day:** May 1st
- **AP Exam Dates:** May 6th – May 16th
- **Senior Awards Night:** Wednesday May 29th
- **Arts Festival:** Thursday May 30th
- **Decision Day Celebration:** May 31st
- **Six Flags Trip:** June 4th
- **Senior Prom:** June 6th
- **Senior Breakfast:** June 12th
- **Graduation:** June 25th