



Baruch College Campus High School Senior College News March 2025



UPDATING YOUR NAVIANCE ACCOUNT

You must update your college decisions on your Naviance account by going to the **College tab** and then clicking on the pencil icon 🖋️ you can then update the results of the colleges you've applied to.

IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

New York State STEM Incentive Program

- The [New York State STEM Incentive Program application](#) is now open for New York State students attending a SUNY or CUNY college in the fall! To be eligible, students must:
 - Be ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school graduating class at a New York State high school.
 - Apply in their senior year of high school.
 - Enroll in an undergraduate program in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics.
 - Commit to living and working in New York State for five years in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics.
- Students who don't meet residency requirements may qualify through the [NYS DREAM Act](#).
- The application deadline for the 2025-2026 academic year is August 15, 2025.

- For more information and to apply or request an appointment, visit the [New York State STEM Incentive Program website](#).

How to Analyze Financial Aid Letters

Financial aid letters are usually more confusing than they have to be. Schools will put them in different formats and words can be vague. Here are some tips to help:

- Use this custom College Cost Comparison spreadsheet built specifically for Miramonte families
- Make an appointment with the College & Career Center to review your award packages
- Know that you can contact the college's financial aid office and petition the award you were offered
- Use websites such as [Edmit Fin Tech finaid.org](#)
- Speak to your college counselor to better understand your financial aid form.

FINANCIAL AID ETIQUETTE: DO'S

- Do compare financial aid with the same "class" colleges.
- Do compare the same types of aid.
- Do be realistic in your aid expectations.
- Do know the difference between subsidized vs unsubsidized loans.

- Do sit down with counselors, family member/s to go over your aid before making the final decision.
- Do reach out if you do not understand your package!

WAITLISTED

If you have been waitlisted and have decided on the one waitlisted school that you are certain you want to attend, you must first update this on Naviance and then you should complete the form [Waitlist Form](#)

Here are some tips from experts on what to do when you are waitlisted from a school. [Waitlist Tips](#)

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

You will find lots of scholarship opportunities on the College Office Website: [Scholarships - BCCHS COLLEGE](#)

Other sites to check out:

www.fastweb.com

www.brokescholar.com

www.studentscholarshipsearch.com

www.internationalscholarships.com/index.php

<http://www.collegeanswer.com/>

Accepted Student Days

As college decisions roll in this month, many students will have the opportunity to attend Accepted Student Days. This is the optimal time to visit or revisit the schools where your senior has been accepted. If there is not one available or you cannot make the scheduled date you should:

- reach out to the admissions office and plan an individual trip.
- During the visit pay special attention to the vibe of the campus,
- Attend a class, eat in the dining hall and encourage your senior to ask "can I see myself here?" Ultimately allowing the student to make the final decision is empowering.

IMPORTANT SPRING PLANNING



- Request and receive forms for housing, health insurance, financial aid, etc.
- Pursue student loan options if necessary.
- Notify colleges of any private scholarship awards you might receive.
- Advise your prospective college of any change in your contact information.

SUMMER PLANS! IT'S RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER

Summer before college is a great time to earn some cash, gain great experiences, and secure an internship in a field you may be interested in.

Internships, Research, Pre-College programs
Go to: <https://bcchscollege.weebly.com/>