



Baruch College Campus High School Senior College News December 2020

Dear Students,

Please read this newsletter in its entirety. We have a few events and important deadlines coming up. You should also check your Naviance accounts for any missing information you may have.

The College Office,
Ms. Phillips, Ms. Wheeler, & Ms. Epstein

*** IMPORTANT DATES ***

Final dates for fee waivers and to add schools to your list. This applies ONLY if you met College Office deadlines.

College Office Deadlines

12/14/20 This is the **last day** that you will be able to make changes to your listings on Naviance

12/16/20 This is the **last day** that students will be able to add fee waiver request

1/8/21 Students enter the schools with deadlines after 2/1/21 on Naviance under 'schools I am applying to'

JANUARY TBD: Alumni Day. This year, you have the opportunity to hear alumni talk about colleges and life after BCCHS. Think of questions you may have for alumni.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1. You should have matched your application on Naviance

2. Listed all your schools on Naviance
3. Put in your teachers recommendation request through Naviance.
4. Sent out SAT/ACT scores, if you have decided to send out your scores

Remember that you are responsible for sending out your SAT/ACT scores if you decide to send them. It can take up to 3 weeks for the colleges to receive scores once you have put in your request for them to be sent out.

FEE WAIVERS

Common Application (CA)

If you are applying through the Common Application and are eligible, you will check off that you are eligible for a fee waiver on the CA and this will allow the College Office to submit your fee waiver electronically. For January 1st applications

SUNY Application

If you are completing a SUNY app., but your SAT and/or GPA scores are too high to meet the EOP requirement, you may still be eligible for a fee waiver. You should go to the SUNY website and download the fee waiver. You will then complete this form and submit it to the College Office to sign off. You will then be responsible to mail this form to the address listed on the form

CUNY Applications

You should have received your CUNY fee waiver from the College Office. You must use it by no later than February

Other Applications

You can google for a NACAC fee waiver. You will complete the NACAC form. You will then complete

this form and submit it to the College Office. You will then be responsible to mail this form to the college you are applying to.

NAVIANCE

Make sure that you continue to update your information on Naviance.

THE COLLEGE OFFICE CAN NOT SEND ANYTHING TO A SCHOOL THAT YOU HAVE NOT LISTED ON NAVIANCE!

**** DOWNLOAD THE COMMON APP FOR MOBILE HERE******



IMPORTANT CUNY INFORMATION

- You must put your OSIS # on your CUNY application. This will ensure that CUNY has access to your transcript.
- Baruch and Hunter suggest that students submit supplemental writing assignments as part of their applications. Please go on the Baruch and Hunter websites to find out specific information about how to submit your supplemental forms.

Below is a link to an application tutorial. Also learn more about the opportunities offered at CUNY schools.

- [Application Tutorial Videos](#)
- [A World of Opportunity](#)
- [A Guide to Partnerships and Articulation Agreements](#): Learn about CUNYs links to NYU, Cornell and a list of SUNY and other schools
- [Majors and Programs with Special Requirements](#)

*****COLLEGES MIGHT JUST BE TAKING A LOOK AT YOUR SOCIAL NETWORKING PROFILE!*****

An article by the NYTimes described the new role that social networking is playing in college applications:

- Of 381 college admissions officers who answered a Kaplan telephone questionnaire this year, 31 percent said they had visited an applicant's Facebook or other personal social media page to learn more about them.
- 30 percent of the admissions officers said they had discovered information online that had negatively affected an applicant's prospects.
- Admissions officials also said they had occasionally rejected applicants, or revoked their acceptances, because of online materials.
- **Be aware of the privacy settings on your social networking profiles and make sure you are careful about what you are posting online---because colleges might just see it!**

****CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MORE FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION*****

FAFSA

- **GO TO FAFSA.GOV**
- FSA ID: You must get a FSA ID for you and your parents as this is your electronic signature <https://fsaid.ed.gov>
- For security reasons, you will have to select 5 challenge questions and answers must be unique
- **Do not** use the same email address for you and your parent or your Baruch address
- **Use your personal email** because you will be using your email for 4 or more years
- List up to 10 colleges on FAFSA when you first apply and can add additional school schools by correction.
- Your college list will not be shared with colleges

CSS (COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP SERVICE)

- Only for certain private schools
- An additional application that is much more detailed and invasive
- May ask more questions about your family's financial circumstances
- If there is a divorce or separation in the family, you will have to complete a Non Custodial letter
- You can receive this letter from the College Office depending on your family circumstances
- **Application fee:** \$25.00 for the 1st school and \$16.00 for additional schools
- If you are entitled to a fee waiver, you will receive it automatically from the College Board based on the financial information that you put on the form

Please make sure that you are aware of your schools deadlines if they require the CSS Profile. You may also access the information on line at <https://profileonline.collegeboard.com>

TIPS FOR FAFSA STUDENT LOANS AND AID

Filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) may not be as fun as graduation weekend, but it may be just as important. In order to be eligible for any type of federal grant or loan, you must complete the FAFSA. The FAFSA helps the U.S. Department of Education and Financial Aid Administrators determine your eligibility for financial aid.

You can get a FAFSA application from your online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Here are a few tips to a faster, friendlier FAFSA.

FAFSA Student loans are an investment in you.

In the case of a higher education, debt is not necessarily a bad word. Student loans, when handled responsibly, can help you establish credit. Consider low-interest rates student loans. Look into student loans rather than using high-interest credit cards or some other form of financing to pay for your education expenses.

FAFSA is a free application and offered online.

You do not need to pay anyone to complete the form. If you run into questions or are unsure of any section call the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243).

Make it easy on yourself.

Completing the form online helps you make fewer mistakes, simplifies the application and provides faster processing. Plus, you'll be able to get your results 7 to 14 days earlier.

Start NOW, and know your deadlines.

Federal, state and institutional aid is generally distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis. The earlier you submit your information, the more likely you are to get a piece of the financial aid pie.

Familiarize yourself with the terminology.

Understanding the financial aid language helps make the process less intimidating. You can find a guide to financial aid terminology at the Department of Education Website.

Keep a copy of your FAFSA. Keeping good records of all your financial aid material is critical.

There is life after FAFSA Student Loans. Private loans or consumer education loans are available from banks and dedicated education finance companies. These loans can be used to cover any education related costs not covered in your financial aid package, like books and living expenses.

This article was provided by Chela Financial, a not-for-profit education finance company that strives to put education within reach for students and their families. Use the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) calculator at oans4students.org to get a good idea of the financial help you can expect!

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH WEBSITES!

- **MyCollegeDollars.com:** This site is extremely helpful! It is run by the CollegeBoard in partnership with MTV, students can find thousands of scholarships with their great search tool.
- **Fastweb.com:** This site contains over 1.3 million awards worth over \$3 billion dollars.
- **Collegenet.com:** This is a great site where you can type a keyword into their scholarship search feature and it will give you a list of all scholarships that match that keyword. For example try putting in something like "engineering" and see how many scholarships pop up!
- **StudentScholarshipSearch.com**
- **Scholarships.CollegeToolkit.com**

****Additional scholarships and internships can be found on our school website page under the 'Financial Aid' tab: [College Office website](#)**

UPCOMING SCHOLARSHIPS

- Milkens Scholarship: [Due Dec. 4](#)
- Writers of the Future: [Due Dec. 31](#)
- All-Ink.com College Scholarship Program: [Due Dec. 31](#)
- Unigo \$10k Scholarship: [Due Dec. 31](#)
- APIA Scholarship: [Due Jan. 14 at 5PM](#)
- Jackie Robinson: [Due Feb. 1](#)
- The National Scholarship - For Dreamers [Due Feb. 25](#)

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