


SENIOR MEETING

DECEMBER 2019—DR. POWER

WELCOME CLASS OF 2020!!!

- **The purpose of this meeting is to avoid surprises at graduation.**
 - **We also want to clear up any misinformation you might hear.**
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IMPORTANT DATES

- **Prom—Saturday—April 18—Sheraton Westport**
 - **Graduation Speaker Tryouts—April 13 (Monday—after school)**
 - **Last Senior Meeting—Date TBD**
 - **Last Day for Seniors—Friday—May 8**
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PROJECT GRADUATION INFO

- **SENIOR PARENT**
 - Welcome Ms. Hodson

DANCE MARATHON 2019 INFO

- **Lexie Lander & Rebecca Barnholtz**

DANCE MARATHON


MARCH 7, 2020

6-10 pm

Video




What is Dance Marathon?

- **A movement benefiting Children's Miracle Network Hospitals, a non-profit organization that raises funds and awareness for. In St. Louis specifically, we fund programs not covered by insurance Children's Hospital and Cardinal Glennon. Our mission is to ensure that no family fights alone and is able to pay for all treatments.**
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NOTES FROM COUNSELING


MRS. PRANGE

- Diploma Requirements
 - Senior Year Grades
 - Schedule Changes
 - College Applications
 - Transcript Requests
 - A+ Program
 - FAFSA & Scholarships
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Have you reviewed your graduation requirements? Will your classes this year fulfill all remaining deficiencies? Are you passing all of your classes?
- Are you taking any correspondence courses? All courses must be completed by **April 15**
- In order to **walk** at graduation, you must be within 1.0 credit of earning your diploma
- In order to obtain your **diploma**, you must have completed all requirements and have **no fines**

YOUR GRADES

- Your **schedule** and **grades** are a “contract” with the colleges.
 - They are expecting consistency or improvement, not declines.
 - Now is not the time to start slacking or dropping all of your rigorous courses!!
 - You could potentially lose scholarships (GPA drop) and/or admissions offers you have already earned.
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SCHEDULE

- Make sure your 2nd semester schedule is in order. Your blocks/teachers might change, but your classes should be accurate.
 - Do you need to submit Independent Study or Office/Student Aide applications for next semester?
 - All schedule changes need to be completed **BEFORE** winter break. See your counselor during Ac Lab or make an appointment.
 - If you change your schedule and have already submitted a list of your courses to colleges, you might need to send them a revised schedule. Your “contract” with them has changed!
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COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

- ❑ Only 72% of you have indicated that you have submitted college applications
 - 88 have not requested transcripts or indicated in Naviance that you have applied anywhere
- ❑ Still wanting to apply, but not sure what to do?
Need help figuring out Naviance?
 - Schedule an appointment with Mrs. Prange

REQUESTING TRANSCRIPTS

- If you have late December/early January deadlines, all transcript requests must be in by **Friday, December 13**.
- If letters and/or forms are required, you should have already requested them from your teachers/counselor (**in person**) and invited them in Naviance (teachers).
- Our office is CLOSED December 21 – January 1. No requests will be processed during that window of time. The transcript request portal will be **CLOSED!**
- Requesting transcripts on a due date is unacceptable!** You are running the risk of it not being processed on time. If you have a unique circumstance, you must make contact with Mrs. Prange or your counselor to discuss the request.

MIDYEAR TRANSCRIPTS

- If your college indicates the need for midyear transcripts, these will not be available until **mid to late January**.
- Once we return from Winter Break, I will send a Google Form to your **Parkway email** inquiring about your need for midyear transcripts. (It also asks if we need to report schedule changes and/or updated test scores.)
- Requests via the Google Form will be the ONLY way midyears will be sent.**
- How do you know if you need this? The colleges will be communicating with you and/or you can check Common App.

ADMISSION DECISIONS

- ❑ Some of you will be celebrating, while others might feel disappointed.
- ❑ Admits → Practice celebration etiquette
- ❑ Denials → Seek support - this decision is not connected to your personal worth!

A+ PROGRAM

- If you are enrolled in the A+ program, your status will continue to show as “**Not Yet Eligible**” until you have met all program requirements. Because this includes your FINAL cum GPA and attendance, you will not shift to “Eligible Graduate” until senior grades post in May!
- If you have questions or concerns about you A+ status, please email Mrs. Prange.
- If you would still like to enroll in the A+ program, it is **not too late**, but you would need to complete all 50 tutoring/service hours prior to May 1. Enrolling in a second semester Mentor class (PE, Visual Arts, Culinary Arts) will help you get those hours!

FAFSA

- The FAFSA is a government application to receive **FREE** financial support (“**grants**”) for college
- Required to earn A+ scholarship
- Encouraged by all colleges/universities
- The application opened **October 1st** and is first come, first served. If you haven’t submitted yet, do so as soon as possible. Deadlines vary by state and institution
- Can send the application to **up to 10 schools** (do not yet have to be admitted to those schools; can edit list of schools at any time)
- Some private schools also request CSS Profile (fee to file)

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Are you filling out scholarship applications?
 - School specific
 - External
- Scholarships are posted in Naviance
- Check frequently for new opportunities
- “Colleges” → “Scholarships & Money” → “Scholarship List” **and** “National Scholarship Search”
- Links at the bottom of the Naviance home page (click “View all from my school”)

SCHOLARSHIPS IN NAVIANCE

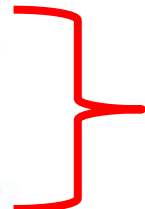
where
are
they???

Naviance | Student

From my school

LINKS

- ACT
- SAT
- TOEFL
- FAFSA
- FinAid
- Scholarship Central
- FastWeb
- Scholarship.com
- Cappex
- Scholarship Experts
- Hillel College Guide
- Catholic Guide
- Christian Connector
- Virtual Campus Tours
- LGBTQ College Guide
- College Week Live
- College Navigator
- Big Future
- Volunteermatch
- VolunteerNation
- NCAA Clearinghouse
- Common Application
- Occupational Outlook
- Testive (Free Prep)
- Peerlift



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Scholarship List

Scholarship Applications

National Scholarship Search



NEXT STEPS

Housing Contracts & Enrollment Deposits

- Check the refund policy – most are full/partial refunds if you change your mind prior to May 1

May 1

- You have until May 1 to make final commitment to your school
- Once you've decided, let the rest of your colleges know you won't be attending

Keep Grades Strong

- Don't forget – all admissions decisions are pending final transcripts!

Final Transcripts from PCH & Dual Credit


- PCH Final Transcript - requests will happen in **May** via Senior Exit Survey.
- Dual Credit (ie UMSL) Transcript - request from the college in late May/early June.

WINNERS FROM TWITTER DRAWING

- Barnholtz, R
- Eckenrode, L
- Harris, C
- Hilton, B
- Matzdorf, K
- Mukuku, E
- Potts, L
- Rodin, S
- Schaefer, L
- Sinha, M
- Sniff, J
- Stone, J
- Wagner, G

Stop by Mrs. Prange's office to choose some free college-themed items... t-shirts, canvas bags, water bottles, notepads/post-its, USB drives, lunch boxes, coasters, pens/pencils, frisbees, sunglasses and more!

SAY IT AGAIN...

- Graduation Requirements: Please make an appointment with your counselor ASAP to make absolutely certain you are on track to graduate. Remember, you must pass the MO and US Constitution tests and have taken all of the EOC exams (English II, Biology, Government & Algebra).
 - Deadline for schedule changes is before winter break. Please take care of this before next semester.
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DIPLOMA / CAP & GOWN FORM

- Please write your **FULL LEGAL GIVEN NAME** (no nicknames) on the **BACK** of the small white graduation card stock.
- Write your **HEIGHT and WEIGHT** below your name.
EXAMPLE: Joseph Christopher Smith Jr.
5'11" 185 lbs
- Please print clearly. We will use this card for your diploma and cap/gown order.
- The cap size is adjustable 😊

GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Your class officers will be choosing the announcement. It will be displayed in the glass office.**
- **It may not be important to you but it is to parents and grandparents. It's a great way to get presents.** 😊

ORDERING ANNOUNCEMENTS


John Patterson is our Josten's Rep...he will be here to get orders during lunch on **Dec 12 & 13!**

If you order spirit gear / announcements, need to give \$60 to hold order by **Dec 13 (pending the amount you are spending).**

Pick up order packet when you leave...again, Josten's will be back here on **Dec 12 & Dec 13.**



DIPLOMA LIST

- **You must have 20 units at the end of the 1st semester. We will post the graduation list on the glass office window (my office) in January.**
 - **IF YOUR SPELLING IS NOT CORRECT, THIS IS YOUR ONLY CHANCE TO CORRECT IT! We had students last year have spelling mistakes on their diploma. They had to pay \$25 to change it.**
 - **We will not take names off the list until counselors tell us who didn't meet the graduation requirements.**
 - **DO NOT THINK THAT JUST BECAUSE YOUR NAME IS ON THE LIST YOU ARE GRADUATING!!!**
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FEES/DEBTS

- **Lost books, parking fines, library materials, uniforms or any other debts must be paid BEFORE you can participate in any senior activities, receive your diploma or your transcript.**
- **We have a current list to review before you leave to take the picture today 😊**

GRADUATION FEE

- **Graduation Fee is \$65.00. You can pay any time you wish but no later than THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2020 (if you want to pay by check or online). This fee covers Cap and Gown, Family Arena, Printing, Security, etc.**
- **After that date, if you need an extension, or have any issues—please see Dr. Power. We will only accept cash after April 17.**

OTHER INFO

- **You will need to take the SENIOR EXIT SURVEY before you graduate. More information will come out next semester.**
- **If you know someone not here today, send them to my office.**
- **We will have this powerpoint on the PCH website.**

GRADUATION PRACTICE & GRADUATION INFO

- **Graduation Practice is Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 8:30 am at PCH—you must be there in order to attend graduation.**
- **Evening of Reflection—Tuesday—May 12, 2020 at 7:00 pm—CHS**
- **Graduation—Thursday—May 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm—Family Arena**

AS WE LEAVE...

**TURN IN—DIPLOMA / CAP &
GOWN CARD IN THE BOX!**

GO TAKE PICTURE IN GYM



BRING ALL YOUR STUFF!!!