


# SENIOR MEETING

DECEMBER 2018—DR. POWER

# **WELCOME CLASS OF 2019!!!**

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

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Prom—Saturday—May 4—Frontenac Hilton**
  - **Graduation Speaker Tryouts—April 16 (Tuesday—after school—sign up with Dr. Power by Monday Morning, April 15)**
  - **Last Senior Meeting—Date TBD**
  - **Last Day for Seniors—Friday—May 10**
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# **PROJECT GRADUATION INFO**

- **SENIOR PARENTS**

# **NOTES FROM COUNSELING**


## **MRS. PRANGE**

- Transcripts
  - Schedule
  - College Applications
  - A+ Program
  - Scholarships
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# TRANSCRIPTS

- 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** (Tax Day)
- In order to **walk** in graduation, you must be within 1 credit of earning your diploma

# 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!



# COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

- ❑ Only 63% of you have indicated that you have submitted college applications
  - 113 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

# COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

- ❑ If you have late December/early January deadlines, all transcript requests must be in by **Friday, December 14**.
- ❑ 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 22 – January 2. No requests will be processed during that window of time. The 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. **Requests via the Google Form will be the ONLY way midyears will be sent.**

# 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 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!

# 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” **or** “National Scholarship Search”
- ❑ Links at the bottom of the Naviance home page (click “View all from my school”)

# SCHOLARSHIPS IN NAVIANCE

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are  
they???

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- 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

# FINANCIAL AID

- ❑ Oct 1 – **FAFSA** became available
  - Fill it out as soon as possible – funds are first come, first served
  - Watch for deadlines for submission – they vary by state and college
  - Send your FAFSA to up to 10 colleges to which you are applying so they can prepare your Financial Aid Award Letters
- ❑ **If** your college requires **CSS Profile**, you will need to submit both. Check, though, because there is a FEE.

# 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

## **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.



# 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.

# 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: Joe 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 😊

# **MEET OUR JOSTEN'S REP**

**John Patterson for Josten's is our next guest!**

**If you order spirit gear / announcements, need to give \$60 to hold order by Dec 14.**

**Pick up order packet when you leave...they will be back here on Dec 14.**

# **DIPLOMA LIST**

- **You must have 20 units at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 to \$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!!!**

# **GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Your class officers have chosen 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 😊**


## **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 18, 2019 (if you want to pay by check or credit card). 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 18.**

# **OTHER INFO**

- **You will need to take the SENIOR SURVEY INFO 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.**
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## **GRADUATION PRACTICE & GRADUATION INFO**

- **Graduation Practice is Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 8:30 am at PCH—you must be there in order to attend graduation.**
- **Evening of Reflection—Tuesday—May 14, 2019 at 7:00 pm—CHS**
- **Graduation—Thursday—May 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm—Family Arena**

**AS WE LEAVE...**

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

**GO TAKE PICTURE IN GYM A 😊**

**BRING ALL YOUR STUFF!!!**