

**Guidance Highlights**  
**Alexis I. du Pont High School**  
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Students, please share this information with your parents! Additional hard copies are available in the Guidance Office and are also posted on the school website, [www.aiduponths.com](http://www.aiduponths.com) under the "Guidance Office" link.

**Counselor Caseloads**

12 <sup>th</sup> grade A-E; 9 <sup>th</sup> grade A-L	Mrs. Taryn Smith
12 <sup>th</sup> grade F-Le; 9 <sup>th</sup> grade M-Z	Mrs. Laura Fitzgerald
12 <sup>th</sup> grade Li-R; 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> grade A-L	Mrs. Amanda Mattei
12 <sup>th</sup> grade S-Z; 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> grade M-Z; all ELL students	Mrs. Melida Santiago
Counselor on Special Assignment	Mr. Clarence Jarrett

**SAT Testing Information**

<i>SAT Testing Dates for 2011-2012</i>	<i>Regular Registration</i>	<i>Late Registration</i>
January 28, 2012	December 30, 2011	January 13, 2012
March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012	February 24, 2012
May 5, 2012	April 6, 2012	April 20, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012	May 22, 2012

Students can register to take the SATs at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). The school code for AIHS is 080155. We have SAT online registration pamphlets available in the Guidance Office.

**DCAS Winter Testing Window** will run from January 5-February 3 for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders in both English and Math.

**After-School Tutoring Program**

Students can participate in the after-school tutoring program offered at A. I. du Pont High School. Below is the schedule for tutoring which runs at 2:30 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays.

Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thurs
English 271/254b	Math 249	Sci 109	Social Studies 200
ELL 166		World Lang French 240/204	Electives 133
			World Lang: Spanish 208/248

### **Dual Enrollment Courses at Delaware Tech**

Through the Dual Enrollment Program partnership with the Red Clay Consolidated School District, students will be given the opportunity to apply for college credit courses at Delaware Technical and Community College. There are college courses that are offered in fall, spring and summer sessions through Delaware Tech, at no cost to the students. Students that are interested in this program should see their school counselor for additional information, including application. This summer, a course in College Math and Statistics (3 credits) will be offered. Delaware Tech is looking at the opportunity to offer additional courses as well. This is a fantastic way for students to earn college credits while in high school!

### **PSAT Score Reports**

PSAT score reports for those 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders who took the PSATs in October 2011 will be returned to students with their test booklets during January's Advisory Block. The PSAT score report has a great deal of useful information to help the students to understand their scores and performance. They can find their projected SAT score, and students will receive an online access code that will offer the students practice questions and a personalized SAT study plan which can help students to improve their skills. Also, questions and answer explanations are available online at [www.collegeboard.org/quickstart](http://www.collegeboard.org/quickstart). The students' online access code will enable them to take full advantage of these resources in My College QuickStart and will also allow them to learn about college majors, conduct college searches, and take a personality test.

### **Financial Aid and Scholarship Information**

*National Co-Op Scholarship Program:* Students who are admitted to one of the following schools may qualify for special scholarships: Drexel University; Johnson and Wales University; Kettering University; Rochester Institute of Technology; University of Cincinnati; University of Toledo; and Wentworth Institute of Technology. More information is available at [www.co-op.edu](http://www.co-op.edu).

*Leadership In Service Scholarship (University of Dayton):* Nomination required. Student must show an innate desire for personal development and is committed to service within his or her school, church, or community. Deadline: 2/15/2012.

*Private Scholarships through Delaware Higher Education Office:* This includes the following scholarships: Delaware Solid Waste Authority's John P. "Pat" Healy Scholarship; First State Manufactured Housing Association Scholarship; and Port of Wilmington Maritime Society Scholarship. Students can apply online for these scholarships beginning on 1/2/2012. First time applicants can set up their account anytime by clicking on the "Student Account Access" link at [www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo](http://www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo). All three scholarship programs require the completion of the FAFSA prior to the application deadline.

*PDK Prospective Educator Scholarship:* There are two \$1000 scholarships available in Delaware. Application must be completed online on or before 3/1/2012 at [www.pdkintl.org/chpaters/docs/2012\\_ScholApp.pdf](http://www.pdkintl.org/chpaters/docs/2012_ScholApp.pdf).

*Common Merit Application:* Beginning in December 2011, students can go online to complete this application at [www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo](http://www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo). Numerous scholarship programs use the Common Merit Application, including B. Bradford Barnes Memorial Scholarship; Charles I. Hebner Memorial Scholarship; Herman M. Holloway, Sr. Memorial Scholarship; Diamond State Scholarship; and Undergraduate Professional Incentive Programs such as Delaware Nursing Incentive Program, Christa McAuliffe Teacher Incentive Program, and Delaware Teacher Corps. Essay required.

*RMHC Scholarship Programs:* Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarships include the following: RMHC Scholars; RMHC African-American Future Achievers; RMHC Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources (HACER), and RMHC Asian Students Increasing Achievement (ASIA). To download application, visit <http://rmhc.org/what-we-do/rmhc-u-s-scholarships/>