

**Guidance Highlights**  
**Alexis I. du Pont High School**  
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The Guidance Highlights is a monthly newsletter from the Guidance Office to help to keep the juniors and seniors (and their parents) informed about important events. Students, please make sure that you share this information with your parents!

***Counselor Caseloads***

<i>A-E</i>	<i>Mrs. Taryn Smith</i>
<i>F-Le</i>	<i>Mrs. Laura Fitzgerald</i>
<i>Li-R</i>	<i>Mrs. Amanda Mattei</i>
<i>S-Z and all ELL Students</i>	<i>Mrs. Melida Santiago</i>
<i>Counselor on Special Assignment</i>	<i>Mr. Clarence Jarrett</i>

***College Visitation Program***

Starting with the October College Visits, there will be a new procedure for juniors and seniors to get College Visit passes. There will be a sign-up sheet the day before the scheduled visit for a particular school, and students will need to sign up for a pass for the visit. The sign up sheet will be available until 2:30 p.m. the day prior to a visit. Students will need to pick up their pass for the visit the next morning, and they need to get the signature of the teacher that they have during the time of the visit in order to attend the presentation. This change will allow our office to know what room a college visit will need to take place, based on numbers of students that sign up ahead of time. No passes will be available on the day of the visit.

10/4/2010	St. Joseph's University of Food Marketing	10:45 a.m.
10/5/2010	Goldey Beacom College	10:00 a.m.
	Bryant University	1:00 p.m.
10/6/2010	Johnson and Wales University	8:30 a.m.
	McDaniel College	1:00 p.m.
10/7/2010	Castelton College	8:00 a.m.
	Delaware State University	1:00 p.m.
10/12/2010	Widener University	10:15 a.m.
10/13/2010	Alvernia College	1:00 p.m.
10/15/2010	Bryn Athyn College	8:00 a.m.
10/20/2010	Lafayette College	11:00 a.m.
10/25/2010	Virginia Tech	8:00 a.m.
	Villanova University	10:30 a.m.
	Lycoming University	1:00 p.m.

10/26/2010	Kings College	9:00 a.m.
	University of Rhode Island	11:30 a.m.
10/27/2010	University of Mary Washington	9:00 a.m.
	St. John's University	11:00 a.m.
	Pace University	12:30 p.m.
10/28/2010	Caldwell College	9:00 a.m.
	James Madison University	1:00 p.m.
10/29/2010	Juniata College	9:00 a.m.

***Mark your calendars. . .New Castle County School Counselors Association 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual College Night***

Date: Tuesday, October 26, 2010

Time: 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Location: Bob Carpenter Center at the University of Delaware

Event Information: This is one of the most popular college fairs in our region. There will be over 130 colleges and universities, nursing schools, trade and technical schools, community colleges, and the military representatives available to discuss entrance requirements, academic programs, and give information about financial aid. This event is free and open to the public.

***College Credit Opportunity***

The In the Club. . . Off the Streets Program is a partnership between Red Clay Consolidated School District, The Boys and Girls Clubs of Delaware, and Delaware Technical and Community College. Students participating in this program may have the opportunity to take college courses and earn up to four college credits. Any students that are interested in more information about this opportunity should contact Mr. Jarrett in Room 236. Delaware Tech is offering help to AIHS families with completion of the FAFSA. Interested families of seniors should also contact Mr. Jarrett.

***2010-2011 Creek Kids Youth Leadership Program***

This is a great opportunity for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders to volunteer in their community, while gaining valuable leadership skills in a museum setting. Deadline for applications is Friday, October 15. Students volunteer about nine hours per month.

***Financial Aid and Scholarship Information***

All seniors should have received a copy of the "Scholarship Compendium" that is put out by Delaware Higher Education Commission. This booklet is an excellent resource for hundreds of scholarships and also has a wealth of information about the financial aid process and college search information. If any seniors did not receive a copy of this booklet, they should see their counselor to get a copy.

***PSAT-October 13, 2010***

All 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will have the opportunity to take the PSATs in school on October 13, 2010. The district is covering the cost for students to take this test. The test will begin promptly at 7:40 a.m. and will run until 11:00 a.m. Students should come prepared with several #2 pencils and a calculator. A PSAT bulletin with practice test questions was distributed to 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> graders through advisory. Attendance is crucial on 10/13, as this is the one time this year that our school will be offering the PSATs.

