

Guidance Highlights
Alexis I. du Pont High School
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Welcome to the new school year! 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-L</i>	<i>Mrs. Laura Fitzgerald</i>
<i>M-Si</i>	<i>Mr. Clarence Jarrett</i>
<i>Sj-Z and all ELL Students</i>	<i>Mrs. Melida Santiago</i>

Reminder for Class of 2010. . .

All students who are intending to graduate this school year should make an appointment to see their school counselor to check their credits for graduation and to discuss post-secondary plans. The Guidance Department will give a general presentation in the Senior English classes regarding the college application process in October.

College Visitation Program

Juniors and seniors should check the calendar posted in Guidance to see about any additional schools that will send a representative that are not included in this newsletter. Interested juniors and seniors should see Mrs. Merritt for a College Visitation Pass. The teacher that a student has during the period of the presentation must sign the pass, indicating their approval for the student to attend.

9/16	Bryn Mawr College	9:15 a.m.
	Salisbury University	1:30 p.m.
9/22	Goldey-Beacom College	9:00 a.m.
9/23	Duke University	12:00 p.m.
9/25	West Chester University	9:00 a.m.
9/30	Johnson and Wales University	1:00 p.m.
10/5	Bryn Athyn College	11:15 a.m.
10/6	Elizabethtown College	1:00 p.m.
10/7	Lycoming College	8:30 a.m.
10/8	Widener University	11:00 a.m.
10/12	Delaware Tech	8:00 a.m.
10/14	Lincoln University	1:00 p.m.
10/20	Monmouth University	12:00 p.m.
10/21	University of Tampa	10:30 a.m.
	Elmira College	12:00 p.m.
10/22	James Madison University	9:00 a.m.

College Visits (continued). . .

10/26	Lynchburg College	9:00 a.m.
	Christopher Newport University	1:00 p.m.
10/27	Washington College	10:00 a.m.
10/28	High Point University	8:00 a.m.
	Virginia Tech	1:00 p.m.
10/29	Lebanon Valley College	8:00 a.m.
	Ohio Northern University	12:00 p.m.
10/30	Cabrini College	12:00 p.m.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Information

The following scholarships are filed in the Guidance Office for student viewing. For any application that requires a nomination, students should contact Mr. Jarrett in Guidance.

Burger King Scholars: Open to seniors who have a 2.5 cumulative GPA or better, work part-time a minimum of 10 hours per week or 40 weeks per year, are involved in community service activities, and demonstrate financial need. Applications are available online at www.haveityourownwayfoundation.org

Wendy's High School Heisman: Open to seniors who have a minimum B average and participate in at least one school-sponsored sport. Apply online at www.wendysheisman.com.

Danforth Scholars Program (Washington University in St. Louis): Nomination required. Scholarship is open to seniors with capacity of service and leadership and academic excellence.

Dr. Seuss' "Oh, the Places You'll Go" Scholarship: Open to seniors who understand and values the limitless possibilities that education can offer. Visit www.ohtheplaces.org for the application. Deadline: 2/15/2010.

Special Program

1. 2010 United States Senate Youth Program: Two delegates from each state will receive a \$5000 scholarship award and one week all-expenses paid visit to Washington, D.C. *Nomination required.* Open to a junior or senior who must be an elected officer to any of the following offices: Student Council President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer; Class President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer; Student Council representative; or student representative to district, regional, or state-level civic or educational organization.

PSAT

On Wednesday, October 14, 2009, our 10th and 11th grade students will be taking the PSAT. The cost of this test will be covered by the district so students will not need to register for the test. This test will allow students the opportunity to take a "practice" SAT. They will get their test booklet and score report later in the school year; the score report has a wealth of information that a student can use to help to prepare themselves for the real SATs. More information will be forthcoming about the PSATs.