# College Et Career Center Newsletter

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## LET'S CONNECT!

Mrs. Erikson's Hours (Room E118) Monday - Friday | 7:00am-2:00pm

Should a parent/guardian wish to meet with me, I am available by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling/emailing the phone number and email below.

Lets Connect!

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**SCHOLARSHIPS** 

#### **HOW DO I APPLY?** ↓↓↓↓↓↓↓

The type of application a scholarship uses is listed at the bottom of the name/description. Please be aware of the directions below for how to submit scholarships:

#### **Scholarships with PRIVATE APPLICATIONS:**

Scholarships with private applications should be submitted to the address and/or email indicated on its unique application, which can be found in the newsletter below and/or on Naviance.

#### Scholarships using the FHS APPLICATION:

Scholarships using the FHS application should be emailed to Mrs. Erikson, College & Career Counselor, at <a href="mailto:rschmid@framingham.k12.ma.us">rschmid@framingham.k12.ma.us</a>. Copies of the FHS application can be found on Naviance; the essay topic can be found in the black box at the top of the application.

If a scholarship uses an FHS application, it should be submitted to Ms. Erikson on ONE EMAIL that includes the application and the essay as a PDF ATTACHMENT, with the <u>scholarship</u> name as the <u>subject line</u>.

#### Please see some reputable public scholarship websites here:

- https://accessscholarships.com/
- www.fastweb.com
- www.unigo.com
- www.scholarships.com
- <a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholraship-search">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholraship-search</a>
- www.collegecovered.com
- https://www.mometrix.com/blog/scholarships-for-college/
- www.collegegreenlight.org
- www.collegeboard.org
- https://universityhq.org/paying-for-college/scholarships/#k12
- https://bold.org/scholarships/scholarships-for-high-school-seniors-list/

#### Scholarships for undocumented students:

- The Dream U.S. National Scholarship Guide
- The MALDEF scholarship list/guide

#### Scholarships for students applying to Mass Bay Community College:

- Mass Bay scholarships for <u>incoming students</u>
- Mass Bay scholarships for merit & athletics

TheDream.US Opportunity Scholarship is for undocumented students (or Dreamers) who live in 20 targeted, locked-out states where they cannot access in-state tuition. The Opportunity Scholarship provides up to \$80,000 to cover tuition, fees, oncampus housing, and meals for a bachelor's degree at one of our 5 Partner Colleges in another state. Students who are eligible to apply now have less than a month to complete the Opportunity Scholarship application - the deadline is January 31st.



To help them along, TheDream.US team members will be available for an entire hour on <u>Tuesday, Jan 18th at 3 pm ET</u> to answer applicants' and their parents' questions and get them ready to hit submit!

- Description: Come with your questions about TheDream.US Opportunity Scholarship, for undocumented students who live in 20 targeted locked-out states. Applications close on Jan 31, 2022.
- Time: Jan 18, 2022 03:00 PM in Eastern Time (US and Canada)
- REGISTER HERE!

# DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES - SPRING 2022

# DUAL ENROLLMENT VIA MASS BAY I SOME COURSES STILL AVAILABLE

The Massachusetts Commonwealth Dual Enrollment Partnership (CDEP) provides opportunities for Massachusetts high school students to take college-level courses for free and earn credit toward high school completion and their future college degrees. MassBay Community College is offering FREE college-level courses this spring for juniors and seniors only at our identified partner high schools. Classes will be held remotely after school or fully Online from January 18, 2022 to May 15, 2022. Apply here or reach out to Elaine Rosenburg (erosenburg@massbay.edu).

\*\*\*\*\*\*UPDATE: Due to the recent spike in COVID-19 cases brought on by the omicron variant, the spring semester at MassBay will now start on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 (rather than January 18). All classes – remote, online, and face-to-face – will begin the week of Tuesday, January 25.

#### Classes offered:

- Drugs and Society | Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-5:00
- Marketing | Mondays and Wednesdays 3:15-5:00
- Scripting | Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3:15-4:45



## APPLYING TO COLLEGE - PLEASE READ:

 Make sure you double check your deadlines and submit ahead of time (be sure to hit submit in Common App or electronic application). You do not have to wait until school documents are submitted for you to submit your application. You may submit your application when you are done!



- Be sure you have spoken with your counselor.
- Check in with the teachers who are writing your letters of recommendation to make sure they know a) which colleges to which you would like their letters sent b) the deadlines for your colleges.
- If Standardized Test Scores are required, make sure you send your scores from the College Board or ACT website as soon as possible.
- Check the financial aid requirements and deadlines for each of your schools.

\*\*\*Once you have submitted, make sure you do the following in the days and weeks after your deadlines:

- If your schools have portals, be sure to log in to make sure that your colleges have all the materials they need and that you have a complete application.
- Please be sure to check your email every day. Colleges let students know about missing materials AND admissions decisions using email.
- If you are not able to check in a portal, you can call the admissions offices to make sure
  that they have a complete file. This should happen a couple of weeks after the deadline,
  as it takes colleges some time to process all materials.

# IN ORDER TO REQUEST A TRANSCRIPT, YOU MUST LINK YOUR NAVIANCE & COMMON APP ACCOUNTS!

For <u>step-by-step directions</u> on linking your Common App and Naviance accounts, please click the link. Each counselor has an individual transcript request form. To find <u>your</u> counselor's transcript request form, scan the QR with their name below:

- Khazai Senior Transcript Request Form
- Childs Senior Transcript Request Form
- Jones Senior Transcript Request Form
- Walcek Senior Transcript Request Form
- Donovan Senior Transcript Request Form
- O'Brien Senior Transcript Request Form

- <u>DeSimone Senior Transcript Request Form</u>
- Monaco Senior Transcript Request Form
- Ramirez Senior Transcript Request Form
- Taylor Senior Transcript Request Form

# **Important Dates for Requesting Transcripts**

Transcript Request Form Due	Application Deadline
October 7th, 2021	November 1st, 2021
October 21st, 2021	November 15th, 2021
November 5th, 2021	December 1st, 2021
November 22nd, 2021	December 15th, 2021
December 3rd, 2021	January 1st, 2022
December 17th, 2021	January 15th, 2022
January 25th 2022	February 15th, 2022

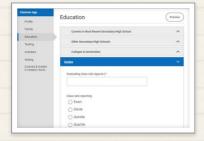
# THE COMMON APPLICATION

The **COLLEGE APPLICATION** is the backbone of all of the information a college/university needs to know about you to assess if you'd be a good fit for their school. The majority of schools use the **Common Application** as their application portal. Some schools have an application portal built into their website, and other schools use an application portal called the **Coalition App** (similar to the Common App; see schools that use the



Coalition App <u>here</u>). Creating an account on any of these portals is free, but most colleges/universities have a cost associated with applying. All applications are created and submitted online.

For step-by-step directions about applying to college and FAQs, please visit Ms. Erikson's '<u>The College Application</u>' Canvas page.



# CLASS OF '22 CA EDU INFO:

Class size: 514

Class rank reporting: Decile

Decile Rank: Top \_\_\_\_

Rank weighting: Weighted

GPA scale reporting: 4

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_ GPA weighting: Weighted

#### THE COLLEGE ESSAY

The college essay is an *extremely* important part of your college application—it is the one part of the application that is in <u>your voice!</u> To get help *starting*, *editing*, or putting your essay into your application early. Make an <u>appointment</u> with Ms. Erikson for college essay help—whether its picking a topic or editing, we're here for you— and make sure to check out the 'Writing YOUR Best College Essay' Canvas page!



WRITING CENTER WEBSITE: Click here to access our brand new writing center website!

## LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

### COUNSELOR LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Seniors applying to four-year colleges will most likely need a counselor letter of recommendation. However, they will find out for sure by checking the "application requirements" on the websites of the colleges to which they are applying.

Learn more about transcripts and letters of recommendation on Canvas, here.



2022 Counselor Recommendation Questions.docx



# TEACHER LETTER(S) OF RECOMMENDATION

Seniors applying to four-year colleges will most likely need one to two teacher letters of recommendation. However, they will need to find out the exact number required by checking the "application requirements" on the websites of the colleges to which they are applying. To request a teacher letter of recommendation, please follow the steps listed on the <u>Teacher Recommendation Letter Guide</u>. You should always plan to give your teachers a minimum of 10-15 school days notice prior to your first application deadline.



# STRATEGIES FOR FINDING SUCCESS IN COLLEGE ADMISSIONS -- UPCOMING EVENTS

1) Title: Getting From Where You Are to Where You Want to Be

Date: January 26th, 2022

Time: 3 pm PT, 6 pm ET and again at 6 pm PT, 9 pm ET: Registration link

**Overview:** In the webinar, you'll learn how to set and achieve educational goals. It's an engaging and motivational keynote program for students and parents with special emphasis placed on self-awareness, finding a good college fit, and the consequences of decision-making throughout high school.

2) Title: The Admission Game

Date: February 9th, 2022

Time: 3 pm PT, 6 pm ET and again at 6 pm PT, 9 pm ET: Registration link

**Overview:** In the webinar, you'll learn the in's and out's of the college admissions process. TAG is a high-energy, high-impact, interactive case study exercise for students and parents in which the audience is transformed into an admission committee.

3) Title: College Admissions in 2022 and Beyond...What to Expect

Date: February 23rd, 2022

Time: 3 pm PT, 6 pm ET and again at 6 pm PT, 9 pm ET: Registration link

Overview: In the webinar, you'll learn how to navigate the college admission process in its

current state.

# FINANCIAL AID



### FINANCIAL AID

Here are some detailed resources about filling out the FAFSA and CSS Profile, both of which opened on October 1, 2021. The sooner you apply, the better!

- FAFSA support
- CSS support

Need additional support? Check out upcoming <u>MEFA Events</u>! We offer free informative webinars and virtual community events on a range of topics. To register for an upcoming

webinar, click a topic below. To view a recorded webinar, please view our <u>MEFA Videos</u> page.

#### 1/27 FAFSA WALK-THROUGH EVENT

In January uAspire will be hosting a Students FAFSA Walkthrough. Please let your students and families know about our walkthrough. It can be beneficial for students and families to get an overall understanding of the financial aid application. We will discuss some of the best tips when it comes to completing the FAFSA.

• Date: Thursday, January 27th

• Time: 6 - 7pm.

• Link: Registration Link

Students can text (978) 300-8878 to receive assistance from FAFSA experts! We provide students with individualized support and zoom calls can be scheduled with our wonderful advisors. We also have resources for you that can help your students such as FAFSA timelines and how-to videos. If this is something you need, please let us know.

## FAFSA SUPPORT WITH UASPIRE

Sign-up for FREE one-on-one FAFSA support <a href="here!">here!</a>



DIFFERENT CHOICES: COLLEGE SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

This is an upcoming program, Different Choices, geared to support students with learning disabilities transition from high school to college or other post high school continuing educational opportunities. Registration is free, but spaces are limited: Register Here!

## STEM OPPORTUNITIES

# STEM CONVERSATIONS WITH RIT, WPI & CLARKSON

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (RIT) CLARKSON UNIVERSITY WORCESTER POLYTECHNICAL INSTITUTE (WPI)

STEM College Conversation | Thursday, January 20th @11:00 a.m. Eastern Time
During this one-hour session each college's representative will present an overview of their
respective college and provide updates on college admissions and their programs. **REGISTER HERE.** 

## A.I. SCHOLARS LIVE ONLINE CODING PROGRAM

Al Scholars Live Online is a 10 session (25-hour) program that exposes high school students to fundamental Al concepts and guides them to build a socially impactful project. Taught by our team of graduate students from Stanford, MIT, and more, students receive a personalized learning experience in small groups with a student-teacher ratio of 5:1. Learn more or apply now here.

# JOB, SUMMER, AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### AVAILABLE PAID JOBS

Explore up-to-date paid job postings, directions on requesting a job permit, and other resources surrounding the workforce.

#### AVAILABLE INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Explore up-to-date internship postings, directions on how to apply, and other resources surrounding internships.

#### AVAILABLE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Explore up-to-date leadership opportunities and directions on how to apply.

#### SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2022

Check-out available summer opportunities for summer 2022, here!

# WORK PERMIT APPLICATIONS (E118)

If you need a work permit, come by E118 to pick one up or ask any questions. If you have a completed and signed work permit application form please email it to



<u>employmentpermits@framingham.k12.ma.us</u> or drop it off at E118.

- Employment Permit Application for 14 through 17 Year-Olds (English)
- Solicitud para un Permiso de Empleo para personas de 14 17 años (Spanish)
- Solicitação de Autorização de Emprego para pessoas com idades entre 14 17 anos (Portuguese)



Specialized Career Guidance - Links.pdf



### MTTI EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

MTTI is offering a Free Live Virtual Information Session:

Place: ZOOM Session

Date: Wednesday - January 26, 2022

Time: 6PM to 7PM

Hear about program offerings, including:

- Admissions Application Process
- Tuition and Financial Aid
- Short-term Training (30 weeks)
- Hands-on Activities
- Employment Assistance and Placement Rates

# OTHER POSTSECONDARY RESOURCES AT FHS



# METROWEST COLLEGE PLANNING COLLABORATIVE

The MetroWest College Planning Collaborative (CPC) is a regional joint college access initiative that was founded by Framingham State University and Mass Bay Community College through the Department of Higher Education's Vision Project. The CPC's mission is to provide the necessary outreach, training, mentoring, and advising to guide youth and non-traditional adult learners in the Metro West region on their desired pathway to higher education.

If you would like to book an appointment, please email <a href="MetrowestCPC@gmail.com">MetrowestCPC@gmail.com</a> or call 508-215-5600.

# GAP YEAR PROGRAMS & EVENTS

## GAP YEAR SOLUTIONS

<u>Gap Year Solutions</u> helps students increase college success by helping them have a transformational experience based on life skills and real world learning. We "meet students where they are," and listen carefully to their interests and goals. We are your Gap Year coach and mentor throughout this process, and customize a combination of internships, work, service and travel into a structured Gap Year plan. We encourage students to embrace this unique opportunity to push the pause button, dream big, be authentic and believe in themselves! Visit their website to start Gap Year <u>Planning</u> or Gap Year <u>Mentoring</u>.

- 1/11/2022, 7:00PM ET: Summit Free Public Library, Summit, NJ (Register)
- 1/19/2022, 6:30PM PT: Palo Alto City Library, Palo Alto, CA (Register)
- 1/27/2022, 7:00PM CT: Hinsdale Public Library, Hinsdale, IL (Register)

You can find the full schedule on the **Events** page of our website.



### RUSTIC PATHWAYS

Since 1983 <u>Rustic Pathways</u> has been operating intentionally designed, transformative student-travel programs with impact at the core of the experience.

Want to see the world now? Explore our new <u>Flightless Travel</u> <u>Resources</u> with everything from virtual tours and language learning to movie and music playlists to help you explore a country even when you can't travel right now! Explore their travel programs <u>here</u>.

# LOCAL TRADE & TECHNICAL PROGRAMS



#### YEAR UP!

Year Up's mission is to close the Opportunity Divide by ensuring that young adults gain

the skills, experiences, and support that will empower them to reach their potential

through careers and higher education. Year Up's job training program is tuition free, and offers access to today's best companies and a proven path to career success. <u>Learn more here!</u>

As we kick off the Fall recruitment, I want to reach out and schedule some outreach opportunities with your upcoming graduates this February/March. Use the <u>calendar</u> to schedule a virtual visit.

#### STEVENS TRADING DAY 2022

The <u>School of Business at Stevens Institute of Technology</u> invites all high school students that are 16 years or older to participate in **Stevens Trading Day 2022** - a virtual and live trading competition event.

In the first phase of this trading competition which will launch on **February 1, 2022**, students will create a portfolio using **Dow Jones MarketWatch Virtual Stock Exchange**, an easy-to-use trading simulator which provides real time market data, news, and historical pricing information on indexes, listed and OTC securities.

In the second phase of this competition, the 25 students with the top performing portfolios as of **February 28**, **2022**, will be invited to our campus in Hoboken, NJ on **Friday, April 1**, **2022**, for an exciting live trading competition event in our state-of-the-art **Hanlon Financial Systems**Center laboratories. The agenda of the day will include the following:

Bloomhera 101 - Introductory workshop on the key functions of the Bloomhera terminal

- Live Trading Event Compete against the best of the best high school traders for prizes
- Market Insight Discussion Professor George Calhoun, contributor for Forbes magazine, will provide color on the state of the financial markets
- · Campus Tour and Lunch

If you are a high school student interested in the stock market, please register <u>HERE</u> for Stevens Trading Day 2022.

### UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

Universal Technical Institute (UTI) has relationships with leading manufacturers, aftermarket parts companies and performance shops to help build curriculum. The companies that work with UTI do so for a reason: They trust UTI to train the technicians that they employ. CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAMS!



**Interested in UTI? Contact: Scott Boydston** 

Admissions Representative C: 774-571-1781 | <u>sboydston@uti.edu</u>

# BENJAMIN FRANKLIN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Our program is Boston's most affordable private accredited Electrical Engineering bachelor's degree. High achieving students can apply directly to the bachelor's program. But we also provide a pathway for students who might not otherwise consider pursuing an engineering degree. Students build their skills with a Certificate in Electronics Technology, then an Associate degree in



Mechatronics Engineering Technology before transferring into the junior year of the Electrical Engineering bachelor's program.

#### **Interested in BFIT? Contact Calvin Conyers**

Assistant Dean of Admissions and Recruitment | P: 617-588-1299 | Email: CConyers@bfit.edu

#### JOB CORPS

Job Corps is still actively recruiting the young people in our communities that will benefit the most from our program.

Although, times have changed and face to face meetings are still not possible at this time, Job Corps would like to extend an invite



to hold a meeting and/or info session with any staff or young person that may be interested in attending Job Corps.

Job Corps also host two weekly info sessions via Zoom on Tuesdays @ 2pm & Thursdays @ 6:30pm—open to all!

Interested in Job Corps? Contact: Katie Skuse (Admission Counselor)

Skuse.Kathryn@jobcorps.org

All you have to do is simply click the link and book your appointment, <a href="https://katieskuse.youcanbook.me/">https://katieskuse.youcanbook.me/</a>



## MILITARY INFORMATION

# ASVAB + RECRUITER INFO

There will be two ASVAB exams offered at Framingham High School for the 2021-2022 school year: one in the fall, and one in the spring. Make sure to register ahead of time here.

• Wednesday, April 13th 2021 at 7:30am in E118

Check out the Military Canvas module for more information!

# AIR FORCE ROTC & AIR FORCE ACADEMY QA SESSIONS

Lt Kiana Brantley and LT Clark are hosting 11 question and answer sessions Jan-May 2022. These are targeted towards parents, guardians and guidance counselors.

Join via this **Zoom link!** 

- Jan 19, 2022 18:00
- Feb 2, 2022 18:00
- Feb 16, 2022 18:00



- Mar 2, 2022 18:00
- Mar 16, 2022 18:00
- Mar 30, 2022 18:00
- Apr 13, 2022 18:00
- Apr 27, 2022 18:00
- May 11, 2022 18:00
- May 18, 2022 18:00

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system. <a href="https://afrotc.zoomgov.com/meeting/vJlscOirrD4uG4YPRZOVPPOYj3xWschW\_4c/ics?">https://afrotc.zoomgov.com/meeting/vJlscOirrD4uG4YPRZOVPPOYj3xWschW\_4c/ics?</a> <a href="https://icsToken=98tyKuiurzwrGdaQtBjBel86FaPkbOnF1mRp\_pptriXKNRBjTTr8Zfp1lbF3J-eE">https://icsToken=98tyKuiurzwrGdaQtBjBel86FaPkbOnF1mRp\_pptriXKNRBjTTr8Zfp1lbF3J-eE</a>

- 12 Jan 2022 6 PM-7 PM EST- "Cadet Life" (Freshman and Sophomore Year: Balancing Military Training and Academics, USAFA Basic Cadet Training): <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45aea82ca0fec43-cadet">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45aea82ca0fec43-cadet</a>
- 09 Feb 2022 6PM-7PM EST- "Cadet Life" (Junior and Senior Year: Cadet Leadership, Extracurriculars/ Student Athlete, AFROTC Field Training): <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45aea82ca0fec43-cadet1">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45aea82ca0fec43-cadet1</a>
- **09 Mar 2022 6PM-7PM EST-** "Prepping for Desired Air/Space Force Job": https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45aea82ca0fec43-prepping
- 06 Apr 2022 6PM-7PM EST- "Freshman Year in Review" (What do you wish you knew going into your freshman year?):
   https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45aea82ca0fec43-freshman





#### Register/ Zoom links

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09 Feb 2022 6 PM- 7 PM EST- "Cadet Life" (Junior and Senior Year: Cadet Leadership, Extracurriculars/ Student Athlete, AFROTC Field Training) https://www.signupgenus.com/ep/00/CDF45AE ABZ-AGFE-C43-cadet)

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https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45AEA82CA0FEC43-freshman

Direct any questions about event to kiana.brantley@afacademy.af.edu

www.academyadmissions.com

www.afrotc.com



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