



GUIDANCE NEWS

Huntington High School

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Welcome to the 2021-22 school year! This is the beginning of what we expect to be a very different, and yet very successful year, and your counselors are ready and eager to help you achieve your goals.

Our first edition of the Guidance Department's Scholarship Newsletter contains a lot of information that is relevant to seniors, but also includes contests that are open to all grade levels. We encourage you to stay in close contact with your school counselor to learn about these competitions and others to follow. Our scholarship newsletters are available in all guidance offices, as well as online at www.hufsd.edu.

As you are aware, *Senior Parent Guidance Night* took place on September 14th. For those families who were unable to attend, please feel free to download a copy of the power point presentation and the recording of the event from the College Office Google Classroom for Seniors. Additionally, our Huntington website has copies of our Post-Secondary Planning Guide and Student-Athlete Handbook (if applicable).

Upcoming virtual presentations include:

Financial Aid Night:	October 5 th , 7:00pm
9 th Grade Parent Guidance Night:	October 14 th , 7:00pm
10 th and 11 th Grade Parent Guidance Night:	October 28 th , 7:00pm
FAFSA Completion Night:	November 3 rd , 7:00pm

All students are encouraged to utilize extra help offered by every teacher either before, during, or after school. Extra-help schedules are available online on Google Classrooms. Additionally, there are peer tutors available through the National Honor Societies. Do not hesitate to seek out the appropriate resources that can help maximize your success!

UPCOMING COLLEGE EXAMS

ACT.....Saturday, Oct 23rd
Late registration (No late fees): Oct. 1st

SAT.....Saturday, Nov. 6th
Registration Deadline: Oct.8th
Late registration deadline: Oct. 26th

SAT.....Saturday, Dec. 4th
Registration Deadline: Nov.4th
Late registration deadline: Nov. 23rd

ACT.....Saturday, Dec. 11th
Registration deadline: Nov. 5th
Late registration deadline: Nov. 19th

PSAT/NMSQT.....Thursday, October 13th

PSAT (10th Graders Only) Wednesday, March 10th

The December 4th SAT administration is held at other testing sites. Check online with the College Board at www.collegeboard.org (SAT) and www.act.org (ACT) for other locations if you are interested in taking these tests on any of these dates.

CONTESTS & PROGRAMS FOR ALL GRADES

THE CIRKLED IN “NO SWEAT” SCHOLARSHIP is a \$2,500 CASH scholarship you can use for any educational purpose, from books to summer camp. Students must be 13 years old and older to apply at <https://www.cirkledin.com/scholarships/>. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 31ST**.

HUGH O’BRIEN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR (HOBY) for 10th grade students, provides an opportunity for students from each high school to attend a leadership seminar. Interested students who have demonstrated leadership activities and potential in this area should fill out an application [here](#). **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 30TH**.

OPTIMUM COMMUNITY’S HISPANIC HERITAGE ESSAY CONTEST is open to students in grades 6 through 12. Students must submit an original essay, in 500 words or less, about a Hispanic or Latino person, past or present, who inspires you and explain why. Prizes include a \$1,500 scholarship and ipads. Please enter online at <https://www.optimum.com/hhm>. Essays must be received by **OCTOBER 31ST**.

PRUDENTIAL EMERGING VISIONARIES is a collaboration between Prudential Financial and Ashoka, a leading social impact organization. Emerging Visionaries is an evolution of the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, a program that for 26 years has celebrated young people who are tackling society's most pressing issues. Prudential Emerging Visionaries is a national recognition program that celebrates young people for their innovative solutions to financial and societal challenges facing their communities. If that sounds like you, you may be an Emerging Visionary! Fill out an application at <https://challenges.changemakers.com/challenge/emergingvisionaries>. To apply, click the "Participate" button on the top right by **NOVEMBER 4TH**.

RYLA -Rotary Youth Leadership Awards- for sophomores (10th graders) who are interested in building goodwill and peace through humanitarian service. Please visit <https://www.ryladistrict7255.com/sophomore> for more information. Students are encouraged to submit their applications to Ms. Bonilla or Ms. Wallace in Guidance West. Students should apply as soon as possible. **DEADLINE IS JANUARY 31ST.**

V.F.W. VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP is an audio-essay contest leading to a national winner of a \$30,000 scholarship, and is open to all students in *grades 9-12*. This year's theme is "*America: Where Do We Go From Here?*" To obtain entry forms and more information, please contact VFW National Headquarters at www.vfw.org. Go to Community, Youth & Education, and Youth Scholarships. Students must submit their entry to the local post, VFW Nathan Hale Post 1469. **DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 31ST.**

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS

BOSTON UNIVERSITY offers a wide variety of merit scholarships, some even covering full tuition, to recognize high achieving students who go above and beyond. Most awards are for academic achievement, while others go to talented athletes, performers, and artists. Interested seniors are encouraged to visit their website [here](#) to learn more. **THE EARLIEST DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1ST.**

COCA COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM for seniors with highly developed interests in their community, demonstrated leadership, academic achievement (minimum GPA of 3.0), commitment to making a significant impact in their school and community. One hundred and fifty Coca-Cola Scholars are selected each year to receive this \$20,000 scholarship. This program is available to U.S. Citizens; U.S. Nationals; U.S. Permanent Residents; Refugees; Asylees; Cuban-Haitian Entrants; or Humanitarian Parolees. Applications must be submitted online at www.coca-colascholars.org. **DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 31ST.**

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST is open to seniors who are United States citizens and are planning to earn a four-year college degree. Awards range from \$1,000 to \$12,500 per year. Applications and instructions are available at www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm. **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15TH.**

ISLAND FEDERAL CREDIT UNION will award eleven high school seniors scholarships of \$2,500 - \$10,000. Eligible students must be accepted into a full-time undergraduate program at the time of entry and hold an Island checking/debit card account. Print out and complete the Scholarship Entry Form at <https://www.islandfcu.org/Island-Scholarship.aspx>. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 22ND.**

SENATOR JOSÉ PERALTA NEW YORK STATE DREAM ACT gives undocumented and other students access to New York State-administered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs. Students can visit <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/dream/> to learn more and make an account. *Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.*

SUFFOLK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE “DOCTORS OF TOMORROW” PROGRAM is available to graduating seniors interested in entering the field of medicine. Attendance at a virtual introductory symposium (scheduled for November 10th from 5-7pm), essay contest, and a day with a doctor are all required to qualify for scholarships. \$3,000 in scholarships will be disseminated. Please visit [here](#) for more information. *If you would like to participate, you must email Ms. Bonilla at dbonilla@hufsd.edu as soon as possible. Names will be taken until November 1st at 2:30pm.*

WEBSITES FOR SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.collegeanswer.com

www.scholarshipamerica.org/students

www.BrokeScholar.com

www.Collegenet.com

www.finaid.com

www.MeritAid.com

www.wiredscholar.com

www.studentaid.ed.gov

www.absolutelyscholarship.com

www.studentscholarships.org

www.scholarshipguidance.com

www.outreach.usda.gov/education

<https://www.maldef.org/>

Friendly reminder: If your counselor or teacher needs to submit information, please provide them with ample time prior to the deadline date for submission.

Also, please be reminded that you have access to scholarships at any point in time by accessing your Naviance account on Clever. Just click "Colleges" and "Scholarships and Money" to find your free money!