



GUIDANCE NEWS

Huntington High School

November 2024

Welcome to the 2024-25 school year! This is the beginning of a 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 12th. For those families who were unable to attend this or any other Guidance events, please feel free to download a copy of the power point presentation from the College Office Google Classroom for Seniors or [Guidance website](#). Additionally, our Huntington website has copies of our Post-Secondary Planning Guide and Student-Athlete Handbook (if applicable).

Upcoming presentations include:

Financial Aid Night:

November 13th, 7:00pm

Location: [Zoom Meeting Link](#)

10th Grade Parent Guidance Night:

November 20th, 7:00pm

Alumni Day
PSAT/NMSQT Workshop
11th Grade Parent Guidance Night:

November 26th, pers 3-6
December 2nd, 7:00pm
January 14th, 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

SAT.....Saturday, Dec. 7th
Registration Deadline: Nov.22nd
Late registration deadline: Oct. 26th

ACT.....Saturday, Dec. 11th
Registration deadline: Nov. 8th
Late registration deadline: Nov. 22nd

ACT.....Saturday, Feb. 8th
Registration deadline: Jan. 3rd
Late registration deadline: Jan. 20th

SAT.....Saturday, March 8th
Registration Deadline: Feb.21st
Late registration deadline: Feb. 25th

PSAT (10th Graders Only) Wednesday, March 19th

Check online with the College Board at www.collegeboard.org (SAT) and www.act.org (ACT) for testing 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.**

COLLEGEBOARD OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS is a scholarship program with \$5 million of scholarships each year. The more effort you put in, the more opportunities you have to earn a scholarship. Complete all six, and you’re eligible to earn \$40,000. Scholarships will be awarded through monthly drawings to Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who complete each action, i.e. building your college list. For more information students should visit <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>.

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.**

RYLA -Rotary Youth Leadership Awards- for sophomores (10th graders) who are interested in building goodwill and peace through humanitarian service. Please visit the [RYLA website](#) for more information. Students are encouraged to submit their applications and notify Ms. Bonilla at dbonilla@hufsd.edu with any questions. Students should apply as soon as possible. **DEADLINE IS JANUARY 31ST.**

THE YALE WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE High School Essay Contest is open to current high school students in the U.S. and internationally from grades 9-12. Winners will receive certificates from Yale WLI and prizes of \$200, \$100, and \$50 for first, second, and third place. Interested students can apply [here](#). **DEADLINE IS JANUARY 2ND**.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS

THE EQUITABLE FOUNDATION has established the Equitable Excellence Scholarship® Program to assist high school seniors and current undergraduates who are planning to continue their education at a two- or four-year college in the United States by Fall 2025. Up to 100 renewable awards of \$5,000 each will be granted. Interested students should visit <https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/equitableexcellence/> for more information. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 18TH**.

THE HAGAN SCHOLARSHIP is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship, providing recipients “regardless of nationality” with the opportunity to achieve their goals and graduate college debt-free. The scholarship provides up to \$7,500 each semester for up to 8 consecutive semesters. Interested student must visit <https://haganscholarships.org/> for more information. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1ST**.

IRA SCHWARTZ SCHOLARSHIP of up to \$1,000 is available to seniors in good standing and with at least a 3.0 average. Interested students should visit <https://www.liascd.com/> for more information. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1ST**.

ISLAND FEDERAL CREDIT UNION will award five high school seniors scholarships of \$5,000 each. 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 25TH**.

THE LONG ISLAND SUPERINTENDENT’S SCHOLARSHIP is available to academically meritorious and economically disadvantaged high seniors who wish to earn their Baccalaureate degree at FIVE TOWNS COLLEGE. Student must be a full-time student for the 2025-2026 academic year and achieve a minimum GPA requirement to maintain the scholarship. Interested students should email Ms. Bonilla at dbonilla@hufsd.edu as soon as possible and before Dec 20th for more information.

THE ROBERT KELEHER PRIVATE FOUNDATION awards scholarships of up to \$5,000 to students attending public high school in Suffolk and Nassau County and students attending BOCES programs. Please apply at <https://www.robertkeleherfoundation.org/>. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 20TH.**

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.*

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/>

Families are encouraged to visit <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/get-help/find-event/> for more opportunities to get one-on-one help or more information about financial aid.

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!