

Seton Guidance Corner

April 28, 2022

Senior Exit Interviews Start Next Week!

All seniors will be meeting with Mr. Geary for their Senior Exit Interviews. Meetings begin next week and continue over the next several weeks. Keep an eye out for next week's meeting schedule which will be posted soon.

JumpStart2NOVA Deadline this Friday

JumpStart2NOVA offers tuition-free summer college courses to high school seniors who are considering attending NOVA this fall. Online summer session begins May 31 and ends August 8. A completed application to JumpStart2NOVA is due by 5PM this Friday, April 29. Seniors must have a 3.0 (or qualifying test scores) to apply. The courses are transferrable, in accordance with the Transfer VA plan, and many of the courses have no textbook costs. For additional information, click [here](#).

Trade Champions Challenge

Any student in grades 9-12 interested in pursuing a trade career, such as construction, agriculture, or other trade profession, has the chance to enter the Trade Champions Challenge. Students create a 30-60 second video submission sharing why they aspire to be a trade professional for a chance to win \$15,000. Deadline to apply is May 27, 2022. For more information, click [here](#).

Requesting A High School Transcript

Seniors, if you would like to request a copy of your high school transcript, please email Mrs. McIntyre at tmcintyre@setonschool.net.

CLT, SAT, & ACT Registration Deadlines Coming Up

CLT Test Date – May 14 (Remotely Proctored)

Registration Deadline – May 5

Click [here](#) to register.

Sign up for CLT's free practice [test](#).

SAT Test Date – June 4

Registration Deadline – May 5

Click [here](#) to register.

Sign up for Kahn Academy's free SAT practice [test](#).

ACT Test Date – June 11

Registration Deadline – May 6

Click [here](#) to register.

Sign up for free ACT test [prep](#).

Washington Week – A Catholic Leadership Program for High School Girls

Young women who are rising 10-12th graders can take part in one of two one-week long conferences (July 10-16 or July 17-23) -Domestic or Global Affairs- which features seminars, private meetings and *behind the scenes* discussions with individuals working in some of our nation's greatest institutions. Application deadline is May 30. For more information and to apply, visit [here](#).

Helping Students Avoid these Mistakes by Ben Marsh (Admissions Counselor at Christendom College)

1. Failing to Take Standardized Tests Early

Many students enter their senior year without having taken a standardized test. While some schools are test optional, Christendom requires a standardized test score to be considered for admission and scholarship opportunities. Christendom accepts the ACT, SAT, and CLT. Christendom also will super score student test scores. This means it is a good idea to take the test multiple times in order to get the highest score possible.

2. Never Visiting Campus

Choosing a college without visiting is like buying a house without inspecting it. Encourage your students to visit their top choices multiple times. Christendom typically offers two open houses each semester, and offers day and overnight visits every week that classes are in session.

3. Applying Late

Christendom's early action deadlines of October 1st (For Summer Program Alumni only) and December 1st (Open to all) are free, non-binding, and make your students eligible for more scholarships like our Padre Pio Full-Tuition Scholarship Competition. Most importantly, applying early-action to Christendom may give your students a better chance of avoiding our waiting list.

4. Not Looking for Distinctive Differences

Each college is unique and offers its own "menu." You wouldn't go to Dunkin' expect them to serve you tacos. Yet so many students each year seem to pick a school without knowing what they really offer. Have your students ask this one question: "What makes your school different from any other school?" Knowing "what's on the menu" is half the battle of college discernment.

Scholarship Opportunities

Got a Spine Scholarship

\$500 Scholarship

Deadline: May 2, 2022

arcticchiropracticfairbanks.com/chiropractor_fairbanks.php

Breakthrough Junior Challenge

Students are invited to create a short— under three minutes— video explaining a challenging concept in physics, mathematics, or the life sciences in an engaging, illuminating, and creative way.

\$250,000 Scholarship

Deadline: June 25, 2022

www.breakthroughjuniorchallenge.org

**Please note, opportunities in the Guidance Corner are not endorsements of the programs. They are shared as options for students and parents to carefully consider.*