ATTENTION!!

Saturday Academy Online

4/25/20

This will be the next to last Saturday Academy this Spring, 2020

Check our website for Zoom class links

www.precollegenews.umd.edu

The University has moved to an online environment. Starting March 30, 2020, all classroom instruction will be conducted virtually.

Saturday Academy is Online

- Due to the current health crisis, all classes will be held online starting on 3/28/20
- Summer Residential Program is under review. Watch this space for further developments
- GRADUATION CEREMONY: Postponed - TBD
● New York Senior Trip: Postponed - TBD
● SENIORS: Now Accepting Applications for SIBS (Summer Institute for Bridge Students). Class format will be determined May 15, 2020

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  Parent volunteers are encouraged to assist online weekdays during this crisis. Please contact the appropriate committee chair to sign-up.

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Tutoring Available By Appointment Only:
Tutoring will be conducted by appointment over Google Hangouts during the week. Appointment link on home page. If the hours available do not work, please email the tutor and try to schedule a different time.

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Opportunities for Internships/Special Programs

- The Mid-Eastern Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel announces its 2020 scholarship competition. In order to help defray the college expenses of some of our outstanding TRIO students for the 2020-2021 school year, we plan to award scholarships in the amount of $1000. The deadline for completed applications is Friday, March 20, 2020. The winners will be announced at the MEAEOPP Conference. Only Juniors may apply.

Seniors - Now that your graduation ceremony is being postponed, We would like to hear about any ideas you may have on how we can celebrate online. Be creative and let Mr. B or Dr. Kinard know your thoughts.

Hints for studying remotely:

https://online.osu.edu/5-tips-online-student-learning-success
https://achievevirtual.org/8-tips-to-help-you-succeed-in-online-high-school/

Seniors & Senior Parents/Guardians:

- Scholarship Search Tips: Now that most college applications have been submitted, this is a great time to shift your attention to researching and applying for scholarships. Here are some tips:

1. Register and complete a profile for College Greenlight, a free scholarship database that both students and parents can use. Visit www.collegegreenlight.com

2. Find out your high school’s process/method for distributing scholarship information (email list, bulletin board, binder in the Counseling Office). Be sure to check regularly for updates.

3. Share scholarship information with your peer or parent network. If you come across a scholarship that you are not eligible for, chances are someone you know may be able to apply. Ask those in your network to also share scholarships with you.

Article: 13 Tips for Winning College Scholarships

- FAFSA Completed! Now What? Senior and parents/guardians: After you complete the FAFSA, please monitor your email for a confirmation message letting you know that your FAFSA was “successfully submitted”. The confirmation email should include the following:
  a. Student’s estimated family contribution (EFC)
  b. An estimate of federal grants or loans you will receive

Please review this email carefully and forward it to your Upward Bound Counselor. View this website “After the FAFSA: What Happens Next?”

- Register for MDCAPS: The second step to get money for college is for students to register for the Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS). Students can register at the MDCAPS website.
- Student Ambassador applications are available on the website under forms

- Senior Graduation Ceremony - Postponed until further notice.
- Senior Trip to NYC! (June 5-7, 2020): Postponed until further notice

If there are other ideas or concerns that you would like to share during these difficult times, please email Dr. Kinard at bkinard@umd.edu

Be sure to check our website regularly for all updates:

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