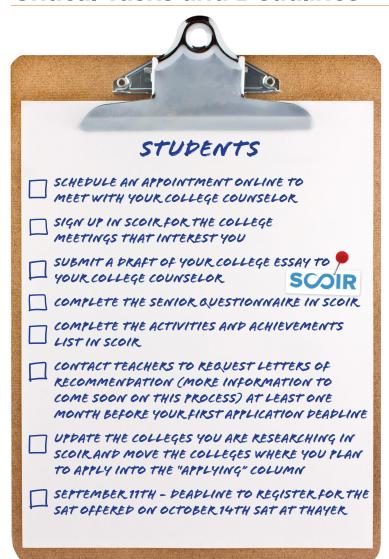
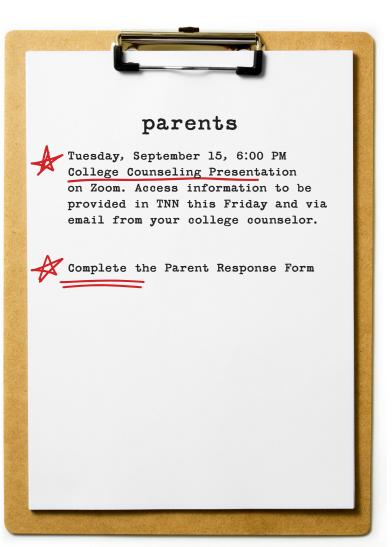


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Critical Tasks and Deadlines







College Counseling: Office Logistics for 2020-2021

MEETING WITH COLLEGE COUNSELORS

The College Counseling Center will be operating mostly remotely while Thayer is in a hybrid schedule.

Here are some points to know:

- We will have a "College Counselor On Call" each day
 who will physically be in the office to accommodate drop-ins
 for students who have quick questions while they are on campus.
 To maintain proper social distancing, only one student will be
 permitted in the office at a time.
- All scheduled meetings will be held via Zoom. Individual
 meetings with your college counselor will be scheduled the
 same way they were this past spring. Your college counselor will
 provide you with a link to his or her calendar with the available
 appointment times. It is our hope that we can meet with every
 senior individually within the first month of school, so please find
 a time that works for you.
- Please be respectful of your classmates and only sign up for one period at a time, so that everyone has a chance to find a slot that works for them to meet with their college counselor. If you have any difficulty finding a time that works for you, please contact your college counselor to figure out alternative times that might work.
- Counselors will leave their "Zoom Rooms" open whenever they are available, so you can try dropping-in to see if we are available, just as you would on campus.

ONLINE COLLEGE MEETINGS

Traditionally, Thayer hosts over 140 college admission representatives who visit our campus and meet with our students each fall. Because we cannot welcome outsiders to campus this semester, we have set up a virtual visit schedule.

- From September 14 November 12, we have invited colleges and universities to sign up for virtual appointments.
- All college visits will be conducted after school hours so that students in both cohorts can attend. There are six openings daily (3:30-4:15 pm, 4:15-5:00 pm, and 7:00-7:45 pm) and we will have two colleges in each visiting slot.
- Colleges will provide a Zoom link for students to attend their sessions which are listed in SCOIR under the "Events and Deadlines" section in your account.
- You will receive email notifications when any of the colleges in your "Following" or "Applying" columns has scheduled a visit, so make sure your lists reflect your interests.
- Please sign up in SCOIR for all of the college visits you plan to attend.

College Financing Events

The Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority (MEFA) is hosting several webinars on college financing. Special guest speakers from college financial aid offices will be addressing the financial aid process. Multiple events are available September 28th and October 9th. To sign up for the session that works best for you, visit the MEFA website at MEFA Events.





Online College Fairs

Because of the pandemic, the usual college fairs offered in the spring and fall have been cancelled as in-person events. Instead, several college fairs are moving online. These programs offer an opportunity to hear about a wide range of schools and will give you an opportunity to learn about the colleges on your list and potentially increase the colleges you are considering. Take a look at the following options to see if they might interest you.

NACAC Virtual College Fair



On Sunday, September 13 from 12:00 - 8:00 p.m. ET, students will have an unparalleled chance to explore their higher education options. More than 600 colleges and universities will be offering live and interactive Zoom sessions and more. Students everywhere can log in, drop in, and ask questions. Find out more at virtualcollegefairs.org.

Additional fairs will be offered throughout the fall. For flyers with a list of participating schools for each date, please click on the following links:

September 13

October 12

October 18

November 8

Coalition for College: Virtual College Fair



On the evenings of September 16 and 17, 130+ Coalition College members will be presenting in small panels at the Coalition for College: Virtual College Fair.

OTHER ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES

The Sisters Colleges Joint Panel Discussions

Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Wellesley are offering virtual panels and Q&A sessions to focus on their shared strengths: legacy of empowerment; abiding commitment to access and equity; rigorous, interdisciplinary academic experience; and rich campus opportunities — internships, research, leadership growth, career prep and social life. Two sessions are available, including:

Wednesday, September 9, 8:00-9:30 pm EDT | Saturday, September 12, 2:00-3:30 pm EDT | Registration is currently open at <u>wellesley.edu/admission/sisters</u>.







Admission Workshops sponsored by Davison College

Join the Davidson College Admission Staff and other admission professionals this fall for a workshop series to help prepare you for the college search and application process. Sessions will cover topics ranging from essay writing to interview preparation to making the most of virtual college visits. All workshops are free but space is limited in some sessions. View the full schedule and register here. Questions? Email: intensives@davidson.edu



