



College Counseling Crier

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Upcoming Standardized Test Dates

ACT Test Dates*

September 11, 2021
*The registration
deadline has passed*

October 23, 2021
*Registration deadline:
September 17*

December 11, 2021
*Registration deadline:
November 5*

SAT Test Dates*

October 2, 2021
*Registration deadline:
September 3*

November 6, 2021
*Registration deadline:
October 8*

December 4, 2021
*Registration deadline:
November 4*

**If you will be taking these tests
with accommodations, please
contact [Mrs. From](#)*

Getting Comfortable with the *Crier*

The College Counseling team is excited to welcome our families and students for the 2021-2022 academic year. As we continue to send our monthly newsletter, please pay special attention to the column on the **left**, which always has the upcoming standardized test dates and registration deadlines and any other “save the dates” for upcoming programs and events. Additionally, any bolded, underlined text in [this color](#) is a hyperlink; we may use this for a specific article or a direct link for a college website for you to explore.

Welcoming Ms. Belcher to the CC Crew

Earlier this summer, our office welcomed Ms. CeCe Belcher, an Associate Director of College Counseling, to the College Counseling team. Ms. Belcher joins Bullis with 15 years of experience in the field; she was a College Counselor at The Harvey School in Westchester County, New York. She is a proud alumna of Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is excited to be in the DC metro area. Ms. Belcher believes the college search process should be individualized and embraced as a process of self-empowerment. Students and families have already begun meeting with her and have enjoyed getting to know and work with her. Please join us in welcoming Ms. Belcher to the Bullis School community.



Spotlight on the Senior Class

This summer, seniors have each taken time to begin working through their college applications in our individual August Workshops. Students had options to participate in the workshops in person or virtually through our instructional and informative policy and procedure presentation.

Save the Dates

Senior Parent Meeting

Tues., September 21
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
(Zoom link to be provided later)

Junior Parent Meeting

Wed., September 29
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
(Zoom link to be provided later)

Sophomore and Freshman Parent Meeting

Thurs., September 30
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
(Zoom link to be provided later)

December Drop-In Days

Tues., December 7
Wed., December 8
Thurs., December 9
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Our priority this fall is to spend one-on-one time polishing and submitting essays, portfolios, and applications. We ask that 9th – 11th-grade families respect our time as we **make appointments with seniors and their families** until we've successfully navigated the early application process. Please feel free to contact us **after November 1st** for individual meetings. For underclassmen and families, please see "Save the Dates" for our December Drop-in Dates...we look forward to seeing you then!

The Truth About Social Media



Like any technology, social media has its positives and negatives. We want to encourage our students to be mindful of the content they choose to publicize on social media. A recent article, [*College Applications and Social Media in 2021*](#), from our colleagues at Applerouth Tutoring, further details the role of social media in college applications. Several colleges and universities have been meeting students right where they are

– on their phones – with innovative and interactive social media accounts. For students who may want to dive deeper than the in-person or virtual campus tour and information session opportunities, Instagram and TikTok accounts, for example, lead the way for new platforms to provide information. The [*University of Virginia*](#) and [*Tulane University*](#) (featuring our own regional representative, Owen Knight), for example, have developed these kinds of informative and entertaining social media outlets.

Coffee and Chatting with College Counseling

Over the next several weeks, the College Counseling Office will host virtual "Coffees" for parents and guardians. We welcome the opportunity to interact with you, share information, and quell any anxieties. Please bring your questions; we are happy to help and look forward to working with your families. See "Save the Dates" for dates, times, and locations.

12th Grade Parent Meeting: Tuesday, September 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

11th Grade Parent Coffee: Wednesday, September 29 @ 7:00 p.m.

10th & 9th Grade Parent Coffee: Thursday, September 30 @ 7:00 p.m.

**We look forward to seeing you and starting the year with positivity.
We will provide the Zoom links in a separate email.**

Opening Our Doors to College Representatives

This year, we will offer in-person and online visits from college representatives. These meetings allow our students to get to know more about specific programs and give colleges and universities an idea of the Bullis experience.

Seniors are welcome to come to meetings (with permission 24-hours in advance from their teachers) and can sign up through Naviance. If a school from a seniors' list is not visiting, we encourage students to take advantage of online information sessions and direct connections through the college or university.

The list of visitors, found below, will also be posted on Naviance in the "What's New" column of the homepage. Additionally, as long as colleges are included on students' "Colleges I'm thinking about" or "Colleges I'm applying to" lists in Naviance, students will get an email notifying them of the upcoming visit. The visits are for **senior students only**; we ask that no parents or guardians join these conversations. A college counselor will always be present to moderate.

So far, the following colleges and universities have registered for a visit with Bullis School in September and the first week of October. Unless otherwise specified, all meetings with the college admission representatives will be held in the College Counseling Office. Please note, this list is updated regularly and is subject to change. The most up-to-date information can be found in Naviance on the homepage under the "What's New" column.

Monday, September 13

University of Maryland, Baltimore County
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Muhlenberg College

Tuesday, September 14

Bates College
St. Bonaventure University
University of Maryland, College Park
Bentley University
Virginia Commonwealth University
Emory University

Wednesday, September 15

Indiana University, Bloomington
Bucknell University
Washington & Jefferson University
Colgate University
University of Georgia
High Point University

Friday, September 17

Case Western Reserve University
Roanoke College
Christopher Newport University
Fordham University
University of Scranton

Monday, September 20

Lycoming College
Stevenson University
Lincoln Technical Institute, Columbia
University of British Columbia

Tuesday, September 21

Union College
Colby College
American University
Davidson College

Wednesday, September 22

University of Chicago
Widener University
Miami University – Oxford
University of Connecticut
St. Mary's College of Maryland

Thursday, September 23
Elon University

Friday, September 24
The Ohio State University
McDaniel College
Marymount University

Monday, September 27
Pace University, NYC Campus
Louisiana State University
Binghamton University
George Washington University
University of Richmond

Tuesday, September 28
Wake Forest University
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina – Columbia

Wednesday, September 29
Saint Joseph's University
Gettysburg College
University of Redlands
Occidental College
Goucher College

Thursday, September 30
Tulane University of Louisiana
Oberlin College
University of Toronto
Ohio Wesleyan University
James Madison University

