

## SENIORS – MAY NEWSLETTER

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Seniors are ALMOST there.... Hopefully, all students have decided where they are going to college and deposits are made by 11:59 PM May 1. In the next few weeks, in their social studies class, students will be completing a senior exit survey. This survey is an obligation. In the survey, students are telling us their post-secondary plans. For those who are going on to college, we will automatically send the final high school transcript to the school the student indicates in the survey. We don't need any additional documentation, aside from the survey completion. If plans change and over the summer, they decide to go to a different school, students need to email Mrs. Marciniak and she'll give them directions on what to do next.

### **Wear Your Future Day:**

On Wednesday, May 10 during homeroom, we'll celebrate our annual Wear Your Future Day. Seniors are encouraged to come to school that day, wearing gear associated with what they plan to do after high school - military/career/college. During homeroom, they'll go to the gym and we'll take one big class picture and there will be time to take smaller group pictures too. We'll try to get the elementary school groups along with whatever other groups they want. Encourage your seniors come dressed showing off their future!

### **Final transcripts:**

From the information on the graduation survey, we will send one final transcript to the school your child indicates on the survey. Post-secondary schools need proof of high school graduation (the final transcript). All transcripts will be electronically submitted to the schools by June 20. Some transcripts take a while to get put into the student's portal, but they should all be received and in the student's post-secondary school account by the time they go to school. We do not need anything from your child about where to send the final transcript, except the graduation survey.

### **Moon Records Release:**

We need all students to complete a Moon Records Release prior to transcripts being sent to colleges. Most students who applied to schools have already completed this. If your child applied to schools with a self-reported academic record, they might not have completed this. Students need to do this form prior to final transcripts being sent. To check if your child still has to do the form, get into their Naviance account. From there, click on 'colleges I'm Applying To.' If your child has not completed the form, you'll see a yellow across the top that reads, "Parent/Guardian must give consent for you to request transcripts." If you see that, complete this [form](#).

### **Colleges Your Child is Not Going To:**

Remember all of the colleges your children applied to and were then accepted to, but decided not to go? They need to notify those schools they won't be going there. It's probably as easy as going into their portal and letting indicating they are going elsewhere. It is important to do this, as another student might be awaiting admission in the spot being held for your child, or the school might be holding scholarship money that can go to another student.

### **Scholarships:**

All scholarships that come through our office are listed in Naviance. To find the scholarships, log in to Naviance, go to the colleges>scholarships and money>Scholarship Search. We are still getting new scholarships, so students should continue looking at the Naviance site for new opportunities. My favorite scholarship search sites are: [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com), [www.goingmerry.com](http://www.goingmerry.com), and [www.pittsburghfoundation.org/scholarship\\_search#hs](http://www.pittsburghfoundation.org/scholarship_search#hs). The last site is local (Pittsburgh) scholarships. You do have to search through the site, but there is a lot of money available to students.

### **NCAA:**

If your child has an account in the NCAA portal, their final transcript will automatically be sent to the NCAA after graduation.