

UPCOMING
STANDARDIZED
TEST DATES[ACT Test Dates*](#)

December 9, 2023

February 10, 2024

April 13, 2024

June 8, 2024

July 13, 2024

[SAT Test Dates*](#)

December 2, 2023

March 9, 2024

May 4, 2024

June 1, 2024

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



HAPPY POST NOVEMBER 1ST!

Seniors, YOU DID IT!

Congratulations to all the students who submitted their first round of applications on October 15th & November 1st. And now the tough part... waiting for your results. We encourage seniors to create and regularly check their admission portals to track the status of their applications.

As a reminder, seniors, please let us know of any and all admission decisions. ***We want to celebrate with you and provide good advice and counsel as needed.***

The next big deadlines are...

November 15th, November 30th (UCs) & December 1st are approaching!

Please complete your document request forms – as you continue to hit submit

[Document Request Form](#)

FINANCIAL AID CONTINUED

Changes are coming! Here is a guide to updates on the process. Feel free to take a look for answers to common financial aid questions.

[Understanding Financial Aid for College](#)

Reminder:

The *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) for the 2024-25 school year is projected to be available in December 2023, a few months later than usual.

Please note, that each college has its own financial aid application requirements. Some colleges will only require families seeking need-based aid to complete the FAFSA; others will also ask for the CSS Profile; still others will ask for institutional-specific forms – our seniors and their families need to keep track of required forms and deadlines.

Similar to college admissions, financial aid opportunities vary from college to college; what one college may consider when reviewing a file is different from another. As a result, it is difficult to generalize what all colleges will do in a given situation; the answer is often “it depends.” The college counselors are happy to help senior families with questions specific to financial aid.

WORTH THE READ

- Important messages worth hearing about College Admissions.
[College Admission: 3 Messages You Need to Hear](#)
 - The best way to earn scholarship money is directly through a college. However, there is outside scholarship money out there. Here is some help with the search.
[Top Scholarships for High School Seniors: Class of 2024](#)
 - Want to know what not to do... click below for admission officers common "pet peeves."
[College admissions officers reveal what bugs them most](#)
 - Are you still trying to figure out which standardized test is best for you? Here is a helpful guide to figuring it all out.
[ACT vs. SAT: How to Decide Which Test to Take](#)
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COLLEGE COUNSELING DROP-IN DAYS

With November 1st behind us, we welcome the opportunity to connect with you

[Monday, November 13th through Friday, December 8th](#), preferably via phone or Google Meet.

- We look forward to answering your questions, sharing more about our Office's philosophy and timelines, quelling anxieties, and explaining the intricacies of the application process.
- The meetings, available from **8:30 a.m. through 3:30 p.m.**, are a maximum of 30 minutes in length and are to provide answers to your general questions.
- Please note these conversations will be scheduled around our counselors' availability – we are not able to honor requests to speak with a specific counselor.

Freshman & Sophomore Families:

Our office is also happy to answer questions later this spring during the Course Selection process as you consider how your student can take advantage of Bullis's curricular offerings.

Junior Families:

Official college counselor assignments are made the first week of January, you and your junior will begin scheduling more personalized meetings as it relates to identifying and researching the best-fit colleges and universities. We encourage you to let your student take the lead in the coming months; however, if you have pressing questions, we're happy to speak with you before January.

To schedule your appointment, please contact our Administrative Assistant, Brienne McKay, via phone at 301-983-5727 or via email at Brienne_McKay@bullis.org