THS Connections



November 2020

From the Director

During the month of November we tend to reflect on all we are thankful for. On behalf of the School Counseling Department, we are thankful for all of you! Our students, parents and staff. We are thankful to provide support as our students continue their journey through high school. We look forward to continuing working with you and wish you well.

COUNSELOR CORNER ~ MEET Ms. GARCIA

My name is Lillian Garcia- It is an honor for me to serve as school counselor at THS. In search of a diverse school district committed to equity and justice, in 2007 I purposefully sought out Teaneck-for its legacy of voluntarily integrating its schools and for its trajectory toward equitable educational outcomes for all. wholeheartedly believe in the potential and promise of all our THS students, and I am passionate about the role of school counselors. I love what I do and feel privileged to be able to advocate for my students' success by promoting opportunities to learn and thrive. I am fulfilled when my students are empowered to advocate for themselves and others. While I sometimes turn to the serenity mantra for peace; for myself and for my students, I turn to Angela Davis' response to it for justice, "I'm no longer accepting the things I cannot change. I am changing the things I cannot accept."

I miss seeing and meeting with my students in person, especially during these difficult times. Hopefully, it will soon be safe for all of us to return to the building. In the meantime, I am grateful to be able to virtually meet with students and parents via Google Meets.

Meet the Counseling Department

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"Ask Yourself If what you're doing today is getting you closer to where you want to be tomorrow" - Unknown

Do You Know the FORUM Staff?

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If you said no, you're missing out!!













College Visits

All college rep visits will be posted on Naviance. Make sure you are logging on to Naviance. Need help, contact your School Counselor.



What type of school are you interested in?

Two Year Schools (e.g. BCC)

- Apply in February (ideal)
- No transcript until after graduation
- No SAT/ACT
- No letters of recommendation
- Qualifying students can apply for NJ STARS Program (Student Tuition Assistance Reward Scholarship)

Four Year School (e.g. FDU)

- Apply by deadline (October January, mostly)
- THS needs to send information- transcripts, letters of recommendation
- Student needs to send materials essay(s), SAT/ACT scores, etc.

NOTE:

Some Colleges are TEST OPTIONAL for the Class of 2021

If you plan to apply Early Action or Early Decision contact your School Counselor ASAP!



College visits for the month of November

Monday November 9

Montclair State University
Rutgers University - New Brunswick
Stockton University



Tuesday November 10

St. Thomas Aquinas College

Wednesday November 11

IDC Herzliya-Raphael Recanati International School



Thursday November 12

Rutgers University - Newark Kean University Union College



Friday November 13

Rutgers University - Camden

Monday November 16

SUNY College at Oswego Montclair State University US Marine Corps



Tuesday November 17

Wagner College Lincoln University



Wednesday November 18

Harrisburg University of Science & Technology Franklin Pierce University



SAT Test Dates

December 5th Test: Regular Registration Deadline: 11/5 Late Registration Deadline: 11/24

THS is **NOT** a Test Center for the December Test. Go to <u>collegeboard.org</u> to register & find a location near you.

ACT Test Dates

December 12th Test: Deadline
Regular Registration Deadline: 11/6/2020
Late Registration Deadline: 11/20/2020
Register at ACT.ORG

Important Dates

Marking Period 1

Report Card MP1 Ends: 11/13/2020 Distribution: 11/20/2020

Marking Period 2

Progress MP2 Grading Period: 11/16 - 12/17/2020

Report Card MP2 Grading Period: 11/13 - 1/28/2021



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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough.

- Oprah



- SENIORS! You must request your transcript at least 10 school days prior to your Application Deadline. * Common Deadlines: Nov. 1st & 15th, Dec. 1st & 15th, Jan. 1st & 15th. Parent Consent Form must be completed first.
 - o Parent Transcript Consent Form
 - o <u>Student Transcript Request Form</u>
- SENIORS & JUNIORS! Your counselors often make suggestions for colleges/schools for you to consider that match your interests. Be sure to frequently check your Naviance "Schools I am Interested in" for updates. Continue to update it by adding schools you like too!
- <u>SENIORS, JUNIORS & SOPHOMORES-</u> if you have any interest in pursuing college athletics you must register with the NCAA and create an account.

Here is the link: NCAA Eligibility Center

- FRESHMAN- Stay connected! Join the class of 2024 Classroom! Upcoming webinars will be posted soon..
- Join your College and Career Google Classroom.
 - Class of 2021 class code u3ycrf2
 - Class of 2022 class code fwzm5x2
 - Class of 2023 class code ia3agne
 - o Class of 2024 class code ydbc3eh



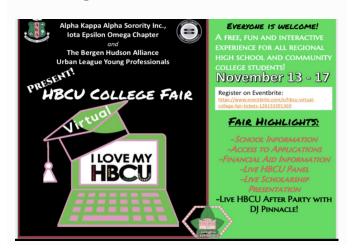
The Malcolm Bernard College Fair is going virtual this year. On Monday, November 16, there will be an HBCU panel as well as HBCU Live College Fair Booths available.

Go to "General Registration", select November 16 and activities you are interested in.

http://www.hbcu-cfnj.com/events/2020-11-16 -new-jersey-virtual-hbcu-college-fair

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
HBCU College Fair
November 13-17

https://www.eventbrite.com/x/hbcu-virtual-c ollege-fair-tickets-126133391369



FORUM Grade Level Check Ins will start Monday, November 16, 2:15 - 3pm

Mondays - Seniors

Tuesdays - Juniors

Wednesdays - Sophomore

Thursdays - Freshman

Meet Link will be in the FORUM Google Classroom



Junior Parent Night

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 6:30pm Zoom Webinar ID: 939 6154 3182

Sophomore & Freshman Parent Night

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 6:30pm Zoom Webinar ID: 949 2903 1409

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 25

4 Hour Session for Students & Staff

November 26

DISTRICT CLOSED - THANKSGIVING DAY

November 27

DISTRICT CLOSED - THANKSGIVING RECESS

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Past Presentations are posted!
Class 2024 Freshman Parent Night
Class of 2021 Senior Meeting
Class of 2021 Senior Parent Meeting
2021 Financial Aid Presentation





