

DSA Counseling Newsletter

October 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER

9th/10th Grade Parent Night Monday, October 23rd 6:00 pm

Concert Hall

Academic Overview

What you need to know about credits, transcripts, graduation requirements, and course planning.

Scholarships Now

What your students can be doing now early on in high school to start earning scholarships as well as an overview of financial aid.

Naviance

What is Naviance? How your students can use this program for college and career planning right now.

Opportunities for questions

High school is overwhelming for both students and parents. There are lots of questions and you don't always know who to ask. This is be a wonderful opportunity to meet your student's counselor and ask those important questions.

October 6th

Senior Open House — Essay Workshop 12:35pm Counseling Office

October 9th

Concurrent Enrollment Information Meeting 12:40 & 3pm in the Counseling Office

October 11th

Junior PSAT testing

October 13th

Senior Open House — College Apps Workshop 12:35pm Counseling Office

October 20th

Senior Open House — Scholarships Workshop 12:35pm Counseling Office

October 20th

End of Quarter One

October 23rd

9th and 10th Grade Parent Night 6pm in the Concert Hall

October 26th and 27th

Parent Teacher Conferences Counselors will be available for meetings



8th Grade Career Fair Tuesday November 7th

Every year DPS offers a Career Fair for 8th grade students. Each year students take surveys to find out their career interests. Those career interests are then used to help guide students in their intentional interactions at the fair.

The Career Fair helps students explore and plan for their own unique future. Representatives from local high schools, colleges, and more than 75 business partners are available to introduce the students to their requirements and opportunities.



Save the date for these upcoming events:

November 7th:

Performing and Visual Arts College Fair 7-9pm @DCPA

December 14th:

Scholarship Search Night

ASSIGNMENT #1

August 22, 2017 - October 13th, 2017 by 3 pm

Each junior must stop by Miss Odom's office, sign for an SAT practice book and label his/her SAT practice book. We have bought one book for every junior.

The Assignment You will be doing some general reading as well as practice items.

PART 1

1) Read Chapters 1 & 2 pages 3 – 27

2) Read Chapter 5 pages 43 – 48

3) Read Chapter 15 pages 191 – 197

This is a general overview of the SAT. College Board will talk about the format of the test and explain how the test is scored. Take notes. Highlight. You will come away with a good understanding of what to expect on test day. This part of the assignment should take you less than an hour.

PART

1) Pages 257 – 290 (math)

This is a practice math test. Why math? The greatest majority of DSA students struggle more with the math portion of the SAT over the literacy portion. Therefore, we will start with math first. The answers are right underneath questions. Try to cover the answer so you don't see it right away. The book will tell you why the other 3 answers were wrong. Do your figuring right in the book (you won't have scratch paper for the SAT – so we want you to start practicing using the space at hand)

To get credit for the assignment, your parent needs to sign pages 3 (beginning of the reading) and 257 (beginning of the math). Your parent is stating, by their signature, that you read the introduction and practiced the math sections at home/school. You need to bring your SAT book to Miss Odom's office and show her pages 3 and 257. She will also have you sign that you showed her the book by the October 13th deadline. Your parent will then receive an email to confirm that Miss Odom received their signature on your SAT book.

It is our hope is that the more you expose yourself to the SAT content and practice, the better you'll be on the actual test day.

All SATs books, *with parent signature*, must be shown to Miss Odom *ON OR BEFORE* 3 pm on October 13th. Those turned in after this date and time will not be accepted for credit for the SAT class.

You will keep the book for your future assignments.

COLLEGE VISITS FALL OF 2017	DATE	TIME
Barry University	9/26/2017	11:30 AM
Bates College	9/29/2017	12:30 PM
Bennington College	9/25/2017	9:00 AM
Bucknell University	9/29/2017	11:30 AM
College of Charleston	9/26/2017	10:30 AM
Columbia College - Chicago	10/3/2017	9:00 AM
Columbia University	10/2/2017	10:00 AM
Dickinson College	10/3/2017	9:30 AM
Earlham College	10/5/2017	12:15 PM
Eckerd College	9/26/2017	9:00 AM
Emerson College	9/28/2017	10:00 AM
Evergreen State College	9/29/2017	10:00 AM
Illinois Wesleyan	11/6/2017	11:00 AM
Indiana University	9/26/2017	8:30 AM
Julliard	11/7/2017	11:00 AM
Kenyon College	9/29/2017	10:30 AM
Lake Forest College	9/25/2017	7:30 AM
Lewis & Clark College	10/6/2017	12:00 Noon
Macalester College	9/29/2017	9:00 AM
Manhattan School of Music	9/29/2017	10:00 AM
Marymount California	9/25/2017	8:30 AM
New York University (Abu Dhabi)	10/23/2017	7:30 AM
NYU (NYC)	10/5/2017	9:00 AM
Oklahoma City University	10/4/2017	8:00 AM
Reed College	9/28/2017	8:00 AM
Saint Louis University	10/12/2017	11:00 AM
San Francisco Conservatory of Music	9/29/2017	8:30 AM
Seton Hall University	9/26/2017	12:00 Noon
St. Mary's University of Minnesota	9/27/2017	9:00 AM
The American University of Paris	9/27/2017	10:30 AM
The Theatre School - DePaul University	11/7/2017	9:00 AM
University of British Columbia	9/28/2017	8:30 AM
University of Denver	9/29/2017	8:00 AM
University of Evansville	9/25/2017	8:00 AM
University of Miami	9/28/2017	7:30 AM
University of North Carolina School of the Arts	11/6/2017	10:00 AM
University of Puget Sound	9/25/2017	12:00 Noon
University of Redlands	9/29/2017	8:00 AM
University of Southern California	9/29/2017	9:45 AM
Vassar College	10/19/2017	10:00 AM
Wesleyan University	9/28/2017	9:30 AM
Whitman College	9/26/2017	8:00 AM
Willamette University	9/27/2017	12:00 Noon