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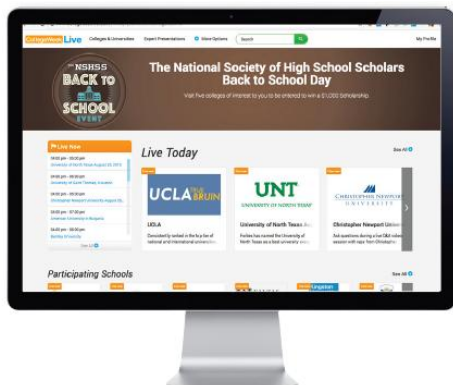
November 4

**MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING IS
AVAILABLE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE:**

Seniors were provided folders containing forms, informational handouts regarding scholarships, and instructions for completing **college applications**. The deadline for completed applications is Friday, November 4th.

Did You Know?

Beginning in October, College Board will host monthly webinars to [engage parents](#) in topics about College Board programs and the college planning process. Each webinar will feature a College Board representative and other members and partners.



CollegeWeekLive Events Calendar

CollegeWeekLive hosts virtual college fairs designed to help every student realize their college dreams. Post [this events calendar flyer](#) in classrooms and encourage your students to participate in our fairs this fall semester.

[Download events calendar flyer](#)

**ALL
ACCESS
DAY**

Connect with 100+ Colleges Online

October 6, 2016 from 10 AM to 10 PM EDT



Explore



Meet



Chat



Learn



Save

Help your students navigate their college search

Ask your students and their parents to join us on October 6th from 10:00AM-10:00PM EDT! At this online college fair, they will be able to chat with college students and admissions counselors at 100+ colleges and universities.

Print out the flyer below, and share it with your students.

[Student Sign Up](#)

[All Access Day Flyer](#)

The Advance College Experience (ACE) at Bloomsburg University is designed for college-bound high school juniors and seniors who seek to “jump start” their college career by earning college credits. Bloomsburg University offers a selection of courses intended to supplement high school offerings and to expose students to the academic environment at the college level. Students save 75% of the tuition. Typical offerings will include courses in exercise science, composition, psychology, history, public speaking, political science, language, music, biology, chemistry, mathematics, and geography. For more information call 570-389-4824 or visit www.bloomu.edu/ace.

Luzerne County Community College’s Young Scholars Program - Qualified Juniors and Seniors can take college courses at Luzerne County Community College through the Young Scholars Program and take advantage of a reduced rate on tuition. Contact the Shamokin Campus at 648-2544 or the Guidance Office for more information regarding registration and courses.

The **News-Item** this year is participating in the **It Can Wait essay contest**, a statewide campaign from the Pennsylvania News Media Association (PNA) addressing the danger of distracted driving. Each entry, along with a photo of the student who wrote the piece, will appear in a special supplement to the News-Item that will be published at the conclusion of the contest. The contest is open to 9 – 12 grades. Students are asked to answer the question "Why is it important to take the It Can Wait pledge to keep your eyes on the road, and not your phone?" Entries must be 500 words or less and will be judged on creativity and originality, persuasiveness, grammar and spelling, understanding of the subject matter and relevancy of response to topic questions. Entries will be accepted by the News-Item until December 5. A school photo of the student must accompany the entry. Locally there will be one winner from each school who will receive \$75. A winner will be chosen among those local winners. That student will receive another \$75 and have his essay entered in the statewide contest. The winner there receives \$500. For rules and entry form, go to <http://panewsmedia.org/Events/it-can-wait-campaign>. For more information, come to the Guidance Office.

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SALT TEAM - Lourdes Regional High School is a community brought together in response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We seek unity through affirmation, and integration of our gifts and talents for service. Acknowledging that our students are all children of God, the school community challenges them to full development of their talents. Along the way, some students develop difficulties related to drugs, alcohol, and/or mental health issues. Recognizing these possibilities, this school community supports a **Student Assistance Program** to help identify such students. The heart of the program is a **Student Assistance Team Known as SALT (Student Assistance – Lourdes Team)** which is a core group of school personnel specially trained to work with these students. Since students cannot fully enjoy and appreciate God's gift of life unless they are experiencing good health and total fitness, the SALT Team intervenes and, if necessary, refers students at risk to appropriate personnel or agencies. The intervention is made in the hope that such students may once again come to appreciate the gift of life and utilize their many talents for the benefit of themselves and others.

The heart of the SAP (Student Assistant Program) is the SALT Team comprised of administrators, counselors, teachers, and the school nurse. The team is specially trained to identify and help students experiencing problems related to alcohol and

drug use or who are at risk of suicide and other mental health problems. It is not the function of the SALT Team to diagnose or treat a problem. The function is to identify patterns of behavior which is associated with a problem. When such patterns are discovered, the student is referred to in-school personnel or to appropriate community services.

For more information about the Student Assistance Team, please call Mrs. Gilger in the Guidance Office.

NCAA – National Collegiate Athletic Association – Many college athletic programs are regulated by the NCAA, which has established rules on eligibility, recruiting, and financial aid. If a student is planning to enroll in college as a freshman and wishes to participate in Division I or II athletics, he or she must be certified by the NCAA Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse. The process of certification should begin at the end of the Junior year in high school. NCAA requests that students apply online at www.eligibilitycenter.org. It is necessary to send ACT or SAT scores to the Clearinghouse directly from the testing agencies. The code for NCAA is 9999.

Creative Writing Day at Susquehanna University – The Writer’s Institute will host a day of workshops, readings, and information sessions on Monday, November 14th, from 10a.m. to 2:30p.m. (lunch included) on the campus of Susquehanna University. Parents and teachers are welcome. Susquehanna has a creative writing major that currently enrolls 166 undergraduate students taught by six nationally-recognized writers and supported by a visiting writer’s series. This program is offered at no cost to participants. Please contact the Guidance Office to register.

Workshops available:

- Novel
- Short story
- Poetry
- Memoir
- Screenwriting
- Journalism
- Sports journalism
- College writing

TELOS SAT PREP COURSE – This 8-session power course is a great way to prepare for the SAT without adding more stress to your life. Telos expert instructor offers direct instruction and guided practice to help improve scores for each section of the exam. Pre and post practice exams will be administered to help students become familiar with the test format and time restraints, as well as to measure their growth. Telos SAT Prep Course includes: (8) 2.5 hour sessions, one time a week. Come join us and improve your score.

2017 Dates: January 8 – February 26 and March 5 – April 30

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OPEN HOUSES:

NOVEMBER

- 6 University of Scranton
- 7 Kutztown University – Visual & Performing Arts
- 9 Penn State Days – Wilkes-Barre
- 11 California University of Pennsylvania – Discovery Days
- 11 Kutztown University
- 11 Messiah College – Spotlight Day: School of Business, Education & Social Sciences and School of the Humanities
- 11 Mount Aloysius College
- 12 Arcadia University
- 12 Clarion University
- 12 La Roche College
- 12 University of Pittsburgh - Johnstown
- 18 Messiah College – Spotlight Day: School of Science, Engineering & Health
- 19 Immaculata University
- 19 Lock Haven University
- 19 Pennsylvania College of Art & Design
- 20 Seton Hall University, NJ
- 28 Clarion University Preview Visit Days

DECEMBER

- 2 Clarion University – Preview Visit Days

- 4 Arcadia University
- 9 Clarion University – Preview Visit Days

PLEASE BE SURE TO REGISTER WITH COLLEGES BEFORE ATTENDING.