Attention Seniors! Class of 2023

- 1. Look at duvalschools.org/stanton for EVERYTHING!
 - College Visits: remember your appointment and ASK FOR TEACHER PERMISSION!
 College visits are posted on the school calendar on the website. Students must register and ask for teacher permission to attend.
 - Requesting transcript/Scoir
 - Request a transcript to fill out SSAR (UF, FSU, UNF, etc) link your SSAR to multiple schools

Remember, the schools that require self-report for grades won't need a high school transcript from Stanton. The SSAR and/or Spark form is in lieu of the transcript.

The schools that do require a high school transcript will be processed via SCOIR. So be sure to update your SCOIR college list to alert us what school needs the transcript.

- 2. Overview types of applications and deadlines:
 - Common App/Scoir: UF, FSU, UCF, New College, (600+ other members)
 - Scoir please be sure you add your colleges to Scoir that you are applying to. If they are not on Scoir you can apply via Common App, etc.
 - Students may choose whichever application portal they use. They can complete their part but know that the supporting documentation will be submitted via SCOIR. So it's important for students to update their SCOIR college list and status.
 - YouScience Aptitude Test (can only take once)
- 3. Send SAT/ACT scores: Order official test scores from Collegeboard.org and/or ACT student.org
 - Know process from admissions sites; outlined types: Official Scores,
 Self-reported (unofficial), Test Optional policy
 - Keep in mind that most private schools have gone test optional. State schools still require for students to submit their test scores. Stanton does not send official test scores. So if a school is requiring test scores, you must order your test scores directly from the testing company. Know that the colleges will automatically superscore (mix and match to give you the best composite score).
- 4. Fee Waivers: for test and college apps (see your counselor)
 - If used for SAT/ACT benefits extend to college app fees (self ID in apps); contact counselor to inquire
 - For students who qualify for free and reduced lunch, your fee waiver benefits are already in your collegeboard account. You just need to accept the benefits. For ACT, please reach out to your counselor.
- 5. Bright Futures: FAS 1330/29, 100 service hrs and 3.5 gpa **OR** FMS 1210/25, 75 hrs and 3.0 gpa
 - Work Hours Update: cannot be combined w/Service hours; only count hours from 8/15/22 forward; 100 work hours required to qualify for EITHER award level. Submit hrs by Winter Break

- For more information visit this link: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPBFMAIN/SAPBFMAIN
- 6. \$\$MONEY\$\$: FAFSA, Bright Futures and other state programs, CSS Profile, GoingMerry.com, Stanton Website
 - FAFSA: limited resources, complete ASAP, parents needed; FL/Bright Futures: Other Scholarships exists in FL Benacquisto (NMS Finalist), check FL site when completing BF App; Merit via colleges know process (Priority Deadline, how to be considered, etc.); "Community" search engines (fastweb), platforms w/features (GoingMerry), Stanton site.
- 7. Recommendation Letters: Request through Scoir. Must give recommender(s) minimum of <u>2</u> weeks prior to deadline
 - -State schools in Florida with the exception of FAMU DO NOT need letters of recommendation.
 - -If you're applying to a private school, they will typically require a letter of recommendation.
 - -You must request via SCOIR not Common App.
- 8. Online Class is a **graduation requirement** (exemption: IB Student)
- Senior grades: They still count! Colleges can rescind their decision
 Stanton will send the final transcript in June. Your academic performance will be evaluated to determine if you can retain your admission to the institution. Be sure to maximize your grades and seek help if needed.
- 10. Cancel the schools you are not accepting! It is not only polite, but it can also help the world

Dates to remember:

Beginning September-November: College App Workshop Tues/Thurs (3-

4p) in Media Center

October 1st: Bright Futures and FAFSA opens October 15th: FSU Early Action

Deadline

October 18th-20th: BEACON Financial Aid/signup for appt October 20th: Financial Aid Night with Bill Spiers (6-8p) October 31st: Complete Bright Futures

and FAFSA

Nov. 1st: UF Application Due When in doubt, reach out! **May 1^{st:}** College Decision Day We are here for you ©

Counseling Help

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