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From the President

Dear Parents,

Now that the end of my term is quickly approaching, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and for entrusting me to be the lead advocate of this high quality international program.

As you know, our parents play a huge role in the on-going success of our IB program. Together we provide a strong voice for maintaining the rigor, high standards, and expectations for our students. Our voice has sought district recognition and validation for this flagship program, and our financial contributions make it possible to fund vital and appropriate money for annual grant requests from our teachers.



I want to personally thank **Linda During, Kelly Morrison, and Debi Roads**, all alumni parents, who continue to volunteer their time and expertise to help us administer the information and services we provide to you and to our kids.

I tip my hat to the current board members: **Cora Neslin, Leslie Lilly, Janice Thomas, John Murray, Julia Fitzpatrick, Linda Williams, Paul Day-Lucre, Elaine Tintera, Jody Kerr, Shelly Moorman, Peggy Morse, Rebekah Spetnagel, and Gail Saxton**. Their commitment to the IBPA is invaluable. As I've stated before in previous letters from the board, "We can do it all, but we can't do it alone."

Janice Thomas has played a really important role in the IB Program for many years. Please join me in thanking her for serving as Treasurer for both the IBPA and the Friends of IB Scholars Foundation. It is because of dedicated parent volunteers like her that we are able to create a positive impact at George Washington High School. Her contribution is greatly appreciated.



To our graduating seniors, many of whom I've come to know and love as if they were my own children, I leave you with a favorite quote by Debbie Coulter-Harris, *"Dream your dream. Follow your heart. Imagine. Listen to the wind. Drink sunsets. Be free. Let the wonder never cease. Believe. Wish on EVERY star. Create adventure. Be Kind."*

In closing, let me thank you, the GW IB parents, for allowing me the privilege to serve as your president. I am passing the torch to next year's co-presidents, Cora Neslin and Leslie Lilly, who will no doubt take this organization to new heights. I have great optimism for its future.



Thank you, my friends.

Sincerely,
Kristi Butkovich

Coming GWIB Events

- May 2-22 IB Exams (no classes for juniors and seniors)
- May 22 Used book buy-back 8-2:30
- May 23-24 Used book sale 8-2:30
- June 15 New book order deadline
- August 29 Get Acquainted Picnic 4-8 PM



Please give to the Friends of IB Foundation online at www.georgeib.com

Save the Date!

**Wednesday, August 29, 2012,
4:00 to 8:00 PM
Get Acquainted Picnic at
Creekside Park**



More Good News

Mooji Boldbaatar has received an award from the Asian Education Advisory Council (AEAC) of DPS: The DPS AEAC Student Award for Special Talent, in recognition of her dancing accomplishments.

Congratulations, Mooji!

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National French Concours

Congratulations to the following students for their results in the National French Concours (Exam): Level 5: **Sadie Van Vranken** ranked #2 in the Colorado-Wyoming region and #8 nationally; Level 4: **Samantha Hoffman** ranked #2 in the region and #10 nationally; Level 3: **Stephanie Alexiev, David Chan, and Jeffry Decker** tied for #5 regionally and #12 nationally.

Great Job!

History Day

Congratulations to the 81 GW students who competed in Denver History Day on April 7 and the 29 students who competed in the National History Day Colorado competition on May 5. Our students made strong showings in both competitions. The state competition included 650 students from across Colorado. Of the 16 projects representing GW, 11 made the final round of judging. First and second place projects will have the opportunity to compete in the National competition in Maryland June 10-14.

State Results:

Paper: 1st place, **Binyu Jiang**

Individual Exhibit: 2nd place, **Lianna Holston**; 3rd place **Sarah Van Vranken**

Group Exhibit: 2nd place, **Will Murphy, Margaret Schaak, Gemma Smith, and Eva Tourangeau**; 3rd place, **Sarah Bergman, Claire Baker, and Hannah Walker**

Individual Web Site: 2nd place, **Colleen Franklin**

Group Web Site: 1st place, **Cassie Neslin and Suzanna Steele**

Well done, NHD students!

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Alumna Awarded Internship

Amie Kashon, GWIB class of 2009, has been accepted as an intern at the United Nations for the fall semester. Ms.

Kashon is a junior studying Diplomacy and World Affairs at Occidental College in LA. She hopes to be working for the UN

Refugee Agency or the Department of Peacekeeping Operations. She believes her participation in Model UN at GW with Ms. Whitty was instrumental in sparking her interest in international relations.



Congratulations, Amie!

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The four-page book order form for 2012-13 is on pages 5-8 of this newsletter. The two-page book buy-back form is on pages 9-10. Returning students and parents please examine these pages carefully.

CAS FAIR

The CAS Fair and Senior CAS Exhibit and Interview held April 23, 2012 was a huge success. This is the first year that the two were held at the same time. This “marriage” worked effectively: not only were the Presenters in attendance but also the seniors who for the past two years have been involved completing CAS requirements were participating.



Special thanks to Suzanne Geimer, Cindy McCarthy, Shelly Moorman, Leah Thomas, Peter Thomas, Janice Thomas, and David H. Wollins who conducted final CAS interviews of all the seniors.

Next year’s juniors may begin CAS as of June 1, 2012. Please remember that if you are going to be involved in a CAS activity this summer out of town, you need to bring a blank CAS form to be ready to hand to your supervisor for signature and confirmation of activity.

If you wish to access your child’s Manageback account, e-mail Marjorie Lane (Marjorie.Lane@dpsk12.org). Include the following information: Student’s name; Parents’ name(s); Parents’ e-mail addresses.

In the body of your e-mail message note that you would like access to your student’s Manageback account. Your access will not be immediate; rather, it will be available by the first day of school (August 27, 2012) at the latest. Thank you for bearing with us as we enter all the information necessary to accomplish this.

We would welcome one or two more individuals to the CAS Committee. We plan to meet only once a month for an hour. E-mail Marjorie.Lane@dpsk12.org or Leslie B. Lilly (snillow@comcast.net) to volunteer.

—Leslie B. Lilly



Presenter GW Landscaping Committee



Presenter TACtile (Textile Arts Center)

Below: Parent Interviewer Cindy McCarthy with Senior Alex Wollins



From the Friends of IB Scholars Foundation President



Dear IB Families,

Yes, the economy and budgets are still sobering, but let's face it: this has been another great year for your kids and IB!! Your generosity has allowed the Friends of IB Scholars Foundation Board to fund our teachers and programs this year, and lay the groundwork for the next one. Let me give you some figures regarding donations to the program and the Foundation's expenditures on IB over this past academic year (most of which will apply to next year's program), but let me also stress that you are amazing!!! Thanks for your help!

This year (2011/12), our IB families, in conjunction with the Ebrahimi Family Foundation, other foundations who met the challenge of the Ebrahimi matching grant for new foundation contributions, and other foundations who contributed to the IB Foundation again this year, enabled the Friends of IB Scholars Foundation to raise \$30,714.76 over the period May 1, 2011 to February 29, 2012, and I expect more to come in. We also will soon have figures for the targeted fund-raising effort on behalf of the college counselor and Dr. More, but preliminary figures show that we've received over \$10,000 – thank you!!

As a result of these many generous donations, the Foundation was able to approve a wide variety of proposals that will enhance and enrich the educational experience in the IB program at George Washington High School. At Foundation board meetings held in February and April, the following grant proposals were approved by the Foundation (although some figures may vary should costs be reduced after research and investigation and, moreover, a handful of other requests remain outstanding):

- \$2,400 for Managebac CAS software
- \$2,000 for National History Day registration fees and travel
- \$3,000 for Parents Association expenses
- \$13,806 for IB Assistant Marjie Lane extra 10 hrs/week
- \$1,500 planners
- \$244 Math Questionbank
- \$179 Science Quest Subscription
- \$300 Science Hard Drives
- \$1,000 Spanish textbooks
- \$300 College Essay Workshop, Marjie Lane
- \$1,160 Peak Learning Solutions tutoring
- \$6,000 for loans for IB exam fees and books for IB students in need of financial assistance.

The Foundation Board also welcomed new members this year: Michelle Golla, Joe Almon, John Murray (our new Treasurer), and Bill Jacobs – all IB parents. If you are interested in serving on the Foundation board, please contact me at (303) 364-9181 or thomaswilliamzeiler@gmail.com

As always, IB comes back to you. Your donations of money, time, and actions have enabled the IB Program to remain vibrant and the Foundation supportive of our students, staff, and faculty. We appreciate all you have done. Again, I point you to the new online payment system, but you may also donate the traditional way, to: Friends of IB Scholars Foundation, c/o Janice Thomas, Treasurer, 1634 Leyden Street, Denver, CO 80224. Please think of donating now rather than waiting until the fall, should that be your usual plan or, again use the new **electronic payment method!** Check this out at:

https://secure.qgiv.com/cps_donors/index.php?key=friendsofib

The Foundation looks forward to the continued support of the George Washington IB community next year!

—Tom Zeiler, President



2012-2013 BOOK LIST and ORDER FORM FOR GEORGE WASHINGTON HS IB STUDENTS

Student Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Email: _____

In the past, families have received a 20% discount when the parent dues were paid with their order. To make the math easier, the prices that are posted have already been discounted 20%, since 100% of the parents who ordered books paid their dues last year.

Please support the IB program and purchase your books here instead of on Amazon.

Books will be available for pick up at Registration in August

The Friends of IB Scholars Foundation offers a voluntary book purchase program to help IB families save time and money when buying required books. The IB Foundation buys these books at a discount and then passes that discount on to the student. The Foundation keeps 10% of the discount to help students of need and purchase classroom sets. Please indicate which books you wish to purchase and calculate the total at the end of the form.

All sophomores must pay a history book rental fee and a chemistry lab fee..

All Juniors/Seniors taking Chemistry must pay a lab fee.

PLACE YOUR ORDER BY JUNE 15, 2012

You may use this form to order your books and pay via **check** (payable to the Friends of IB Scholars Foundation) by mailing the completed form and check to Deb Roads, 741 Adams St, Denver, CO 80206.

► **Freshmen:** Please check for French/Spanish requirements. The school will provide the rest of your language arts, math, history, and science textbooks. **Used copies of all of these books are available at the used book sale on May 22-24th**

	<u>Price</u>	<u>Purchase</u>
<i>Kite Runner</i> by Khaled Hosseini (ISBN 9781594480003)	13.50	_____
<i>Coyotes</i> by Ted Conover (ISBN 0394755189)	14.00	_____
<i>Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress</i> by Dai Sijie (ISBN 0385722206)	11.00	_____
<i>Master Harold and the Boys</i> by Athol Fugard (ISBN 0307475204)	11.00	_____
<i>There are no Children Here</i> by Alex Kotlowitz (ISBN 0385265565)	13.50	_____
<i>House on Mango Street</i> by Sandra Cisneros (ISBN 0679734775) Summer Reading	9.30	_____

► **Sophomores:** In addition to your English books, there is a rental fee for history books and a chemistry lab fee. Make sure to go to the appropriate Spanish/French section to complete your order. Sophomores taking 11th Grade math should order the appropriate texts. The school will provide the remainder of your books.

<i>Othello</i> by William Shakespeare (ISBN 978-0-7434-7755-0)	5.00	_____
<i>The Epic of Gilgamesh</i> (Norton Critical Ed.) by Benjamin R. Foster (ISBN 9780140441000)	10.00	summer _____
<i>Heart of Darkness</i> (Norton Edition) by Joseph Conrad (ISBN 039392636-2)	14.00	_____
<i>Jane Eyre</i> (Norton Critical Ed) by Charlotte Bronte (ISBN 0393975428)	14.00	_____
<i>The Great Gatsby</i> by Scott Fitzgerald (ISBN 0743273567)	13.00	_____
<i>Slaughter House Five</i> by Kurt Vonnegut (ISBN 978 0385333849)	13.00	_____

History book rental fee REQUIRED for all IB sophomores 25.00 add on Payment Form
 The history fee is used to purchase new history textbooks every 4 years.

Chemistry lab fee REQUIRED for all IB sophomores 30.00 add on Payment Form

IB Classes for Juniors and Seniors (and some math and foreign language students in Grades 9 and 10)

► <u>Junior English</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Purchase</u>
<i>In Cold Blood by Capote</i> (ISBN 0679745580)	13.00	_____
<i>Emma</i> by Jane Austen (ISBN 0141439580)	7.00	_____
<i>Wise Blood</i> by Flannery O’Connor (978-0-374-53063-1)	9.00	_____
<i>The Road</i> by Cormac McCarthy (ISBN 978-0-307-38789-9)	11.00	_____
<i>Hamlet</i> (Folger Edition) by William Shakespeare (ISBN 074347712X)	5.00	_____
<i>Dubliners</i> by James Joyce (ISBN 0553213806)	4.00	_____
► <u>Senior English</u>		
<i>Madame Bovary</i> by Gustave Flaubert (ISBN 0393979172)	15.00	_____
<i>A Tale of Two Cities</i> (ISBN 9780060932138)	10.00	_____
The Sailor who Fell from Grace with the Sea by Yukio Mishima (ISBN 0679750150)	12.00	_____
<i>The Sound and the Fury</i> by William Faulkner (ISBN 9780393964813)	16.00	_____
<i>Sula</i> by Toni Morrison (ISBN 9781400033430)	11.00	_____
<i>Chronicle of a Death Foretold</i> by Gabriel Garcia Marquez (ISBN 140003471X)	8.00	_____
► <u>Psychology</u>		
<i>IB Psychology Course Companion</i> (ISBN 0199151296) Juniors and Seniors	42.00	_____
<i>Hock’s 40 Studies</i> , 6 th edition (ISBN 9780136035992) Seniors only	43.00	_____
► <u>Environmental Systems and Societies-</u>		
<i>A New Green History of the World: The Environment and the Collapse of Great Civilizations</i> (ISBN: 0143038982)	14.50	_____
<i>The Omnivore’s Dilemma</i> (ISBN: 978-0-14-3038580) **Juniors only	14.50	_____
<i>IB Environmental Systems and Societies</i> by Kenneth Rutherford (ISBN 0199152276)	42.00	_____
► <u>Philosophy: Ms. Whitty</u> (Make sure to use these ISBN’s if purchasing your own books)		
<i>Plato: The Republic</i> Penguin Classic (ISBN: 0-140-455-116) Translated by Desmond Lee 2007	9.00	_____
<i>Does the Center Hold: An Introduction to Western Philosophy</i> , 5 th edition Palmer, 5 th Ed. 2010 (ISBN 978-007-353575-3) ** Must have the 1 st day of class **	47.00	_____
The Elements of Moral Philosophy Rachel’s, James, 6th Ed., 2007 (ISBN: 978-0-07338671-3)	42.00	_____
► <u>Economics: Mr. Lee</u> (Juniors/Seniors) Books are ordered from Europe and I have ordered enough books for everyone in class. Books will be available at registration as well. NEW TEXT		
IB Course Companion Economics by Jocelyn Blink (ISBN 978019918499-6)	40.00	_____

► **European History: Mr. Leeds** (Required for SL/HL History)

<i>Diplomacy</i> , Henry Kissinger (ISBN 0671510991)	19.00	_____
<i>A History of the Modern World</i> , 10 th edition Palmer (ISBN 978-007-325-503-3)	95.00	_____
<i>Mastering Modern World History</i> , 4 th edition, Norman Lowe (ISBN 978-14-0393982-1)	28.00	_____
<i>A History of the Middle East</i> , 4 th edition, William Cleveland (ISBN 978-08-1334374-7)	38.00	_____

► **Mathematics** *Sophomores taking 11th Grade Math, please purchase the appropriate texts*

SL Math: Ms. Buchanan: NEW TEXT

Math Standard Level course Companion (ISBN 978-0-19-912935-5) 54.00 _____

Math Studies: Mr. Lukowski: NEW TEXT

Mathematical Studies Course Companion (ISBN 978-0-19-912933-1) 48.00 _____

HL Math: Mr. Lacks : Both texts are required for class.

Introducing Pure Mathematics (ISBN 0-19-914803-1) 45.00 _____

And

A Concise Course in Advanced Level Statistics (ISBN 0-7487-5475-X) 60.00 _____

► **Foreign Languages**

Spanish I and II: Ms. Shikes

The New World Spanish/English, English/Spanish Dictionary (ISBN: 0451181689) 7.00 _____

501 Spanish Verbs, 7th edition (ISBN 0764197975) 14.00 _____

Quick Study Spanish Grammar by BarCharts, Inc. (ISBN 9781572225442) 5.00 _____

Spanish III-IV: NEW TEXT

This item will be determined at a later date. Look for posting on the Georgeib.com web site by June 1st. _____

French I/Ab Initio 1. Students must have the workbook on the 1st day of class

Workbook/laboratory manual to accompany Debuts, 3rd edition 43.00 _____
(ISBN 978-0-07-727291-3) or 9780073219127 2nd edition

Larousse French Dictionary (ISBN 2035410150) Any dictionary will do. 9.30 _____

501 French Verbs with CD ROM, 6th edition (ISBN 0764179837) 14.00 _____

French 2/Ab Initio 2 Students must have the workbook on the 1st day of class

Workbook /laboratory manual to accompany Debuts, 3rd edition 53.00 _____
(ISBN 978-007-730558-1)

I will attempt to get French 1&2 workbooks cheaper, after I get the actual numbers, and I will give you the difference back when books are picked up **Prices varied from \$35-60 at time of order form printing

French 3 and 4

Le Monde en Francais (ISBN 9780955926594) 45.00 _____

► **Theatre Arts SL/HL: Shelby O’Clair Summer Reading “A Raisin in the Sun” may be checked out from Ms. O’Clair.** No specific ISBNs are required for this class, but the below listed ISBN’s will be ordered, if this order form is used.

<i>Poetics</i> by Aristotle (ISBN 0140446362)	10.00	_____
<i>The Birthday Party</i> By Harold Pinter (ISBN 0802151140)	11.00	_____
<i>Water by the Spoonful</i> By Quiana Alegria Hudes	14.95	_____
<i>Clybourne Park</i> By Bruce Norris (ISBN 0865478686)	11.00	_____

ORDER SUMMARY AND PAYMENT

Sub Total: cost of all books ordered above			_____
Parent Dues \$80/year (Please, we need everybody’s support)		+	_____
PIB History book rental fee (required for all sophomores)	25.00	+	_____
PIB Chemistry lab fee (required for all sophomores)	30.00	+	_____
HL Chemistry lab fee (required for juniors/seniors taking HL chemistry)	60.00	+	_____
GRAND TOTAL DUE			\$ _____

ORDERING/PAYMENT

Check (payable to Friends of IB Scholars Foundation): Mail check & order form to Deb Roads, 741 Adams St., Denver, CO 80206.

One mission of the IB Foundation is to offer assistance to students for whom these costs are a burden, but we need to know about your needs ASAP. You must complete these two requirements in order to be eligible for assistance:

- 1) Complete and return the DPS Free and Reduced Lunch form and bring a copy of your confirmation letter to Mrs. Geimer in the IB Office by September 10th. DPS will mail the form to you in July. Completing the form does NOT mean you must eat in the GW cafeteria!
- 2) Please let us know of your request for assistance **both** by contacting Deb Roads at 303-399-8801 or dardenver@aol.com **and** by returning this form by May 26th. Please note that this date is 3 weeks before the order deadline.

ORDER DEADLINE is June 15th

Yes, it really takes that long to get all of the books! Books will be available for pick up during registration.

Contact Deb Roads with questions by phone (303-399-8801) or email (dardenver@aol.com).
Thank you for taking part in the IB Book Purchase Program and supporting our students and staff

Used book buy back is May 22nd (8-2:30 in the Community room)
Used Book Sale is May 23-24th (8-2:30 in the Community room)

May 2012- Book Buy-Back List

Name: _____

New book prices are noted in parenthesis next to title/ISBN

Book Title	Good Condition value	Cost	OK Condition Value
Freshman English Books			
0394775189 Coyotes (\$14)	\$5.00		\$1.00
1594481776 Kite Runner (\$13.50)	\$5.00		\$1.00
0679734775 <i>*Summer reading</i> House on Mango (\$9.30)	\$3.00	SUMMER READING	\$1.00
0385722206 Balzac (\$11)	\$4.00		\$1.00
0140481877 (\$12) Master Harold and the Boys	\$5.00		\$1.00
0385265565 (\$13.50) There are no Children Here	\$5.00		\$1.00
Sophomore English Books			
9780140441000 * <i>Summer Reading</i> Epic of Gilgamesh (\$13)	\$5.00	SUMMER READING	\$1.00
0393926362 Heart of Darkness (\$15)	\$4.00		\$1.00
Junior English Books NO buy back of Sense, Dalloway, English pt.			
074347712x Hamlet (\$5)	\$2.00 (Folgers's Edition Only)		0
0679745580 In Cold Blood (\$11)	\$5.00		\$1.00
055321380-6 Dubliners (\$4.25)	\$2.00		0
Senior English Books No Buy back of Unbearable or Jane Eyre			
0393979172 Madame Bovary (\$18)	\$6.00		\$1.00
0679750150 (\$11) The Sailor who fell from Grace	\$4.00		\$1.00
9780393964813 (\$16) The Sound and Fury	New book price \$16		All students to have clean copy
140003471X (\$8) Chronicle of a Death Foretold	\$4.00		\$1.00
9781400033430 Sula (\$11)	\$4.00		\$1.00
Drama No buy back of Theater books. Using different books this year			
Psychology			
0199151296 Juniors IB Course Companion (\$42)	\$15.00		\$5.00
9780136035992 (\$37) Hocks 40 studies-for seniors only	\$15.00		\$5.00
Environmental Science			
9780143038580 The Omnivore's dilemma(\$13.50)	\$6.00		\$1.00

0143038982 (\$14.50) A New Green History of the World	\$6.00		\$1.00
0199152276 (\$42) IB Environmental System and Societies	\$15.00		\$5.00
Philosophy			
0140455116 Plato (\$8.50)	\$4.00	Only 2007 edition	\$1.00
Analects	No buy back of Analects	XXX	
978-007-353575-3 Does the Center Hold (\$44)	\$15.00	5th edition ONLY	\$10.00
978007338671-3 The Element of Moral (\$42)	\$15.00	6th edition only	\$5.00
Economics 9780199184996	NEW TEXT Purchase price \$40		Not buying back any old econ texts
HL/SL History			
078-007-3107486 History of the Modern World 10 th edition (\$94)	\$35.00		\$10.00
Diplomacy-seniors only (\$19) 0671510991	\$8.00		\$3.00
Mastering Modern World History 4 th edition (\$30) 978-140-3939821	\$12.00		\$5.00
A History of the Middle East 4 th edition (\$37) 978-08-1334374-7	\$15.00		\$5.00
Mathematics	NO buy backs for SL or Studies	XXX	
Standard Level (Buchanan) 978019-912935-5	NEW TEXT Purchase price \$54		NO BUY BACKS
Math Studies (Lukowski) (9780199129331)	New Text Purchase price \$48		NO BUY BACKS
0199148031 (Lacks) HL Pure Math (\$45)	\$20.00		\$10.00
074875475X HL Advanced Stats (\$55)	\$20.00		\$10.00
Spanish			
0451181689 Dictionary (\$7.00)	\$3.00		\$1.00
Quick Study Spanish Grammar –Bar Chart (\$5)	\$2.00		0
0764179845 501 Spanish Verbs (\$15)	\$6.00		\$1.00
French			
LeMonde en Francais (\$45) 9780955926594	\$20.00		\$10.00
501 French Verbs (\$17)	\$7.00		\$1.00
Larousse French Dictionary (\$9)	\$4.00		\$1.00
Workbook/Manual Debuts/French 1 (\$40)	\$10.00		\$1.00
Workbook/Manual Debuts/French 2 (\$50)	\$10.00		\$1.00

Total Due _____

Check # _____



THE IB COLLEGE COUNSELING CORNER

Congratulations **SENIORS!** As we go to press, members of the Class of 2012 have finalized their college choices.

IB exam results will be available on the IBO website during the summer, so keep the letter you received at Checkout with your access code in a safe place. Follow IBO's procedures if your college needs an official report of your scores for admission confirmation or for advanced standing; GWIB cannot provide this.

We hope you enjoy a well-deserved break after finishing your exams and wish you happy graduation celebrations! There are just a few loose ends that remain. Remember to thank everyone who helped you get to this point and let them know how everything turned out. Now that the big decision is made, make sure you respond to your college's paperwork requests promptly. It would be a shame to get into the college of your dreams, only to wind up with a poorly matched roommate or orientation experience, just because you were late submitting a questionnaire. Make your packing list, decide about buying/upgrading a computer, discuss finances with your family, attend orientation, and most of all, have a fun and relaxing summer.

JUNIORS: Next fall will be an incredibly busy time for the rising seniors, whose time management skills will be tested as never before. Anything that can be done over the summer to get a jump on the to-do list will help keep students and their parents sane. Become familiar with Naviance and use it to track your schools of interest. Work on narrowing the college list to no more than seven schools, and plan campus visits. Even in the summer you may be able to arrange an admissions interview and/or a meeting with a faculty member, coach or activity director, in addition to a formal information session and tour. Complete a first round of the SAT and Sub Tests and the ACT with Writing if any of your colleges require these. Testing/retesting will not be available again until the fall; you can do some test prep between now and then if you need to improve your scores. Summer is also the time to write a draft of your college essay and to prepare the other materials such as the School Report Form from the Common Application with personal information typed in, an updated résumé, a draft of your main application essay, and lists of their teacher references. Use this summer to indulge in meaningful experiences such as job shadowing and paid or volunteer work that help you along your path to independence.

Wise **SOPHOMORES** will give themselves a leg up before the start of formal IB classes by devoting time over the summer to creative pursuits, physically challenging activities and/or community service work. Not only will you be meeting CAS requirements, you'll be developing your unique self and your résumé at the same time. Just as you prefer meaningful school assignments over busy work, you'll prefer summer activities with some substance over pure time-killers. And don't forget that you'll be taking the PSAT—the National Merit/Achievement/Hispanic Scholarship Qualifying Exam—later in the year. It's not too early to browse some practice tests and decide what kind of test preparation you will need.

FRESHMEN will also be happiest with some worthwhile summer plans that build on their first year of high school experience. It's not too early to visit a campus or two, especially if your summer travels take you close to a college you might not otherwise get to see.

Final SAT Date:

SAT Dates	Test	Regular Registration	Late Registration (fee applied)
June 2, 2012	SAT and Subject Tests	past	May 22, 2012

—Rebekah Spetnagel



Contact Information

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