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BRACE NEWS

Broward Advisor for Continuing Education
Nov 15, 2006

IMPORTANT DATES FOR JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Nov. 15 Wed. 1:30 p.m. SUNY-State University of New York
Nov. 21 Tues 2:00 p.m. WEST POINT- Cadet Visit
Nov. 27 Mon 9:30 a.m. Florida International U. -Honors College
Nov. 29 Thurs. CONSTRUCTION CAREER DAY @ Bergeron Field

Learn about career opportunities in road and bridge construction-through a hands on learning lab environment. Careers in Civil Engineering and Land Surveying. (sign up with Mrs. Siegel early Nov.)

Dec. 5 Tues 3:00 p.m. The Herald Silver Knight Informational Meeting, Open to All interested students

Dec. 12 Tuesday F.I.U. On-Site Admissions 8:00 - 2:45
Students must register in advance in the BRACE office for appoint.
Sign-ups begin Dec. 1, 2006

**ADVANCE SIGN-UP REQUIRED WITH MRS. SIEGEL
IN THE BRACE OFFICE**

Jan. 30 Tues 6:00 p.m. Making College Financing Count-Auditorium
English presentation at 6:00 p.m., Spanish at 7:00 p.m.

*Seniors please bring in copies of all acceptance and scholarship letters to the BRACE Office. Thank you very much.
K.Siegel*

OFF-CAMPUS COLLEGE/FINANCIAL PRESENTATIONS

Students: if you know of off-campus visits, please advise Mrs. Siegel

The Secrets of Financial Aid Free Seminar	Sat. Nov 18 10:00 am	Meeting at Nova Southeastern Miniaci Arts 3301 College Avenue	Presentation by Carl Buck through Nova U. RSVP 954 262 5026 rsvp@huizenga.nova.edu Receive a free copy of his book. Limited Seating
Nova Southeastern U.	March 17, 07	Open House	www.undergrad.nova.edu/admissions Campus Visit Days: Nov. 18, Dec 16, Jan. 20, Feb 17, April 21, 954 262 8000

SENIOR CLASS ATHLETES PLANNING TO PLAY A SPORT IN COLLEGE? HOPING TO RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID? REGISTER NOW WITH THE NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE AT www.ncaaclearinghouse.net Visit www.ncaa.org too! Remember to request to have your transcripts from all high schools attended sent to the NCAA. Also, you must request to have your SAT and/or ACT scores sent to them directly. See Mrs. Siegel in the BRACE office for help! Class of '06 rec'd over \$1.5 million in Athlete scholarships!!!

Seniors: Important News!

Please check your application status on-line. Be sure that your schools have rec'd everything that you have sent them and that you are not missing anything. It is your responsibility to follow up. If transcripts or test scores are not rec'd the schools will not accept you!

BEWARE OF POTENTIAL SCAMS.....High school students and their parents will find their mailboxes full of solicited and unsolicited advertisements from colleges, test preparation companies, scholarship services, financial services, etc. Before you or your parents sign any contract read the fine print and be certain of all financial details. See your BRACE Advisor to discuss your post-secondary plans. Many services offered for a fee may be available FREE of charge at your school or through community agencies.

IMPORTANT APPLICATION DEADLINES
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Apply at www.ufl.edu
Check out www.honors.ufl.edu

Early Decision: Oct. 2, 06 Notification: Mid Dec. 06
Regular Decision I : Nov. 1, 06 Notification: Mid Feb. 07
Regular Decision II : Jan. 16, 07 Notification: Mid March 07

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Apply at www.fsu.edu
Check out www.honors.fsu.edu

Application Deadline: Sept. 27, 06 Notification: Nov. 1, 06
Oct. 25, 06 Dec. 13, 06
Jan. 3, 07 Feb. 14, 07
Feb. 14, 07 March 28, 07

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Apply at www.ucf.edu
Check out www.honors.ucf.edu

Rolling admissions- as soon as UCF receives your complete application, students will be able to check their status on-line.
Open house dates: Oct 21, Nov 18, Jan 20.

New College of Florida:

Apply at www.ncf.edu
Deadlines: Dec. 1, Feb. 15, April 15

The remaining Florida Public Universities have rolling admissions. Apply on line at their respective websites or visit the state university site www.facts.org for info and applications.

Florida A & M: www.famu.edu

Florida Atlantic University: www.fau.edu

Open house: Dec 2

Florida Gulf Coast U: www.fgcu.edu

Open house: Feb 24

Florida International University: www.fiu.edu Open house: Dec 9

Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College @ FAU

www.honorscollege.edu

Open house: Nov 18 and March 17

University of North Florida: www.unf.edu Apply by Jan. 15 to be eligible for scholarships! Open house: Nov 18, Feb 3 ,March 3

University of South Florida: www.usf.edu

University of West Florida: www.uwf.edu

Open house Nov. 18, Jan 20, Feb 17, Marc 17, April 21

HOW TO APPLY: FIRST READ ALL THE INFO ABOUT THE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT ON YOUR UNIVERSITY'S WEBSITE.

1. Complete application on line
2. Pay application fee
3. Send official transcripts (Request forms in BRACE or Registrar)
4. Send official SAT or ACT scores directly from College Board or ACT
5. Send essays
6. Send Letters of Recommendation, Resume and Cover Letter- Preferably in one neat package!

Top Ten College Application Mistakes

1. Misspellings i.e. business, psychology!
2. Grammatical Errors
3. Forgotten Signatures
4. County vs. Country: We live in Broward County!
5. Your E-mail addresses should be professional and checked regularly.
6. Compose your essay in a text document, cut and paste into application.
7. Watch the Application Deadlines!
8. Send SAT/ACT scores directly from the College Board or ACT.
9. Send high school Transcripts after you've checked your record on Virtual Counselor – Make sure your records are accurate
10. Make yourself a copy of what you are sending!

THE MOST COMPETITIVE COLLEGES MAY ALLOW STUDENTS TO APPLY WITH A COMMON APPLICATION. THE WEBSITE IS: <http://www.commonapp.org>. Check if your university requires additional supplement forms. FYI- nearly 300 member schools. Average student applied to 3.83 schools with common app. Pls. watch the fine print of ED- early decision vs. EA- early action.

The most competitive colleges require students to take SAT Subject Tests. Pls. check your university's requirements.

Many schools also require applicants to complete the "CSS Profile," a preliminary financial aid packet. This opened on-line Oct. 1, 06 through the www.collegeboard.com website!

TESTING SCHEDULE

SENIORS: register for the SAT I REASONING TEST.

JUNIORS: plan to take the SAT/ACT tests in the spring. The

SAT Subject tests may be required by selective colleges ONLY-check your university's requirements. Register at www.collegeboard.com. Many students score higher on the ACT test. Some schools will take the ACT test instead of the subject tests. Register for the ACT Test at www.act.org. and say YES to the writing portion!! Practice materials are available in the BRACE office.

Students on FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FEE WAIVERS FOR TESTS AND COLLEGE APPLICATIONS. SEE MRS. SIEGEL.

When students repeat taking the SAT do their scores go up or down?

65% scores improve 35% scores go down

The average increase is 30 points in combined CR & Math!

What about the ACT Test? Students who retest have a 55% increase in scores and 23% decrease... so test again!

Test	Test Date	Registration Deadline	Test	Test Date	Registration Deadline
SAT I & Subject Tests	Jan. 27, 07	Dec. 26*, 06 *date change	ACT	Feb. 10, 07	Jan. 5, 07
SAT I ONLY	March 10, 07	Feb. 2, 07	ACT	April 14, 07	March 9, 07
SAT I & Subject Tests	May 5, 07	April 3,* 07 *date change	ACT	June 9, 07	May 4, 07
SAT I & Subject Tests	June 2, 07	April 27, 07			

SAT and ACT Tips

Colleges definitely require that you take a writing portion of a test. For the SAT it's mandatory, and for the ACT it's optional, I suggest that you take it anyway! FYI: For the "New" SAT writing portion of the test, the essay only

accounts for 30% of the score and grammar counts for 70%. Study your grammar rules! The SAT test will have 10 sections. The essay will always be the first section of the test. It is suggested that you "back up" your essay with literary and historical references instead of personal anecdotes. Since topics are general, keep 4 classic books and 4 "moments" in history as support. A study from an MIT prof said that, "the longer the essay, the higher the score." Colleges will take your best combined SAT scores and most will take your best combined ACT scores. So take the tests more than once-they do not ever average the scores... that's only a rumor!

TestGEAR for SAT is here: 60 hours of free coursework www.florida.access.bridges.com
Click on: create new portfolio, enter Broward Cty, and Cypress Bay High. Create a username and password and keep them in a safe place.

BECOME A VENTURES SCHOLAR: Minority students interested in math and science are eligible if they are: Seniors who scored 50 on Math & Critical Reading on PSAT and have a min. 3.0 GPA Juniors scored a 47 on Math & C.R. Visit their web site @ www.venturescholar.org.

GREAT SCHOLARSHIPS at many universities.

www.venturescholar.org/hs/scholarships.html

- This is an excellent web site and link to career info, association contacts, internship opportunities!!!

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SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

The Class of 2006 was awarded close to \$9 million in scholarships! How did they get them? They applied!

Be sure to advise Mrs. Siegel of all scholarships/contests you have applied for and if you are financially awarded. Hard copies of scholarships are available in the BRACE office. Find

out if your parents' work place offers scholarships to children of its employees. Individual colleges and universities offer scholarships also, check your schools' websites, financial aid office and the individual colleges within the universities: watch the deadlines to apply.

NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP	AWARD AMOUNT	REQUIREMENTS	DEADLINE
Mesothelioma Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Seniors. College or Tech program. Apply on line www.straightforwardmedia.com/meso/index.php	Nov. 15, 06
Intel Science Talent Search sophomores and juniors should begin this project	\$1000-\$100,000	Seniors. Individual research project. www.sciser.org	Nov. 15, 06
Charlie s. Wong Memorial Scholarship	\$500 (4 in Broward Cty)	Seniors. Resilience under adverse circumstances. Outstanding academic and community service. Fin. Need app. In BRACE	Nov. 15, 06
<u>St. Lawrence University in NY</u>	\$30,000 - \$80,000	Seniors. Merit bases, Community Service and Presidential Diversity Scholarships available! This school is seeking African-Americans, Asian, Hispanic and Native American Students Apply on line at www.stlawu.edu	ED Nov 15 Jan. 15, 07 Reg. Feb 15, 07
BRANDSMART USA	\$2500 and a laptop	Seniors. Financial Need. 300 word essay on community service. Transcripts, 3 letter of recom. APPS are available ONLY at BRANDSMART.	Nov. 17, 06 At NOON
George W. Jenkins Scholarship for <u>University of Miami</u>	\$40,000	Seniors. US Citi. And FL resident. Fin. Need. Overcome obstacles. Min. GPA 3.5 Seniors let me know if you are interested in rec'g this recogn!!! Nominated by BRACE Advisor! www.miami.edu/admission/jenkins	Nov 27, 06 to Mrs. Siegel Deadline to UM Dec. 1
The Links Incorporated Student Honoree	We've had the winner 2 years in a row \$500	Seniors. Community service, academic achievement. APP in BRACE	Nov. 27, 06

First Freedom Student Competition	\$3,000 (1) \$1500 (1) \$750 (1)	All students grades 9 – 12. Essay contest about the first amendment. Apply at www.firstfreedom.org	Nov. 27, 06
Dec - Weston Rotary Student of the Month	\$500	Seniors. Students who have excelled academically and demonstrated outstanding community service. Apps In BRACE office. Due to Mrs. Siegel Student will speak at Rotary Breakfast on Dec 14. Students who have previously applied will be considered. You may submit additional materials.	Nov 29, 06
The Violet Richardson Award Pompano Beach Soroptimist Club	\$500 (we've had the winner for the past few years)	Senior. Female. Community service and academic talent Essay. Apply in BRACe Office	Nov. 30, 06
The Violet Richardson Award Davie Soroptimist Club	\$1000 (we've had the winner for the past few years)	Senior. Female. Community service and academic talent Essay. Apply in BRACe Office	Nov. 30, 06
Air Force ROTC Scholarships	Tuition and other allowances	Seniors. www.afrotc.com	Dec. 1, 06
Army ROTC Scholarships	Tuition and more	Seniors. www.goarmy.com/rotc	Dec. 1, 06
2007 SAE Engineering Scholarships	\$1000 - \$10,000	Seniors. US Citizen. Intend to earn an engineering or related college degree. www.sae.org/students/engschlr.htm	Dec. 1, 06
Grady-Rayam Prize in Sacred Music Competition	\$3000 \$2000 and others	Grades 11 & 12. Afro-ethnic heritage. US citizen or perm res. Perform 2 songs one assigned one selected. \$15 fee. www.negrospiritual.org	Dec. 1, 06
National Society of Arts and Letters Boca/So. FL Chapter VIOLIN Competition	\$10,000 \$5,000 \$3500	Ages 14 –28. Submit recording. www.lynn.edu/music or call Alyce Erickson at 561-391-6380. Finals Feb 10 & 11 Lynn U.	Dec. 1, 06
<u>Digital Media Arts College</u>	Full Undergrad Scholarships	Seniors. Submit 3-5 pieces of your best work. For info: www.dmac-edu.org/2007Competition	Dec. 10, 06

John Cannon Memorial Scholarship	\$40,000	Senior. Except. Student. Test Scores, Essay. Major in Television, telecommunications. www.emmyonline.tv/emmy/scholarship.html	Dec. 11, 06
Burger King Scholars	\$1000	Senior. Min. GPA2.5 work min. 15 hrs. weekly. Community service. Fin. Need. www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/bkscholars	Dec. 15, 06
Henry Morrison Flagler Scholarship <u>Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College for FAU Jupiter Campus</u>	\$55,000	Seniors. Planning to attend Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College (FAU-Jupiter Campus) Must apply to this college by Dec. 15 and complete application. Must have School Nomination. Essay. www.honorscollege.edu	Dec. 15, 06
Ronald A. Hammond Scholarship- <u>University of Miami</u>	Full Tuition	Seniors. Planning to attend University of MIAMI. US. Citizen or perm. Resi. Underrepresented background. Min. gpa 3.8, SAT 1150 ACT 26 www.miami.edu/hammond	Dec. 15, 06
Hispanic Scholarship Fund	\$1000 - \$2500	Seniors. Hispanic Heritage. US Citi. Or Legal Resident. Min. GPA 3.0. Fin. Need. Comm. Serv. www.hsf.neet/scholarship/programs/hs.php	Dec, 15, 06
Commerce BankAmerican Dream Scholarship	\$1000 (225)	Seniors. Academic Achievement and community service. College or vocational school 3.0 min gpa www.commerceonline.com/americanadream	Dec. 15, 06
AXA Achievement Scholarship	\$10,000 - \$25,000	Seniors. US Citizen or Legal resident. Demonstrate Ambition and Self-drive. www.axa-schievement.com	Dec. 15, 06
Metro PCS Scholarship	\$1000 (15) in So. FL. we had a winner last year!	Seniors. Min. 3.0 gpa . Community. Volunteerism, academics. www.metropcs.com/scholarship	Dec. 15, 06
Florida Retired Educators Foundation Scholarship	\$500 renewable, \$750 & \$1000	Seniors. Future Teachers. Fin. Need. Transripts, SAT/ACT scores. Participation and Leadership. APP in BRACE	Dec. 22, 06

University of So. Florida Scholarships Students must apply for admission by Dec 31	Varies	Seniors. All students are considered for merit scholarships but must apply by this date. www.usfweb2.usf.edu/admissions/money.htm	Dec, 31, 06
University of So. Florida- National Science Foundation, Computational-Science Scholarship	Up to \$40,000	Seniors. US Citizen. Major in Chem, Physics or Stats. Fin. Need. Essay. http://rc.usf.edu/sstem	USF app due Dec. 31, FAFSa due Jan. 31, 07 Scho App due Mar 7
Colleges.com	Full Ride	Full Ride Sweepstakes. Students Create an email address for only scholarships. By registering with this org. you will be bombarded with emails. Apply at colleges.com	Dec. 31, 06
Gimme 5 Scholarship Sweepstakes	\$5000	Senior. US Resident. Plan to attend US College, University or Technical School www.wachovia.com/gimmefive	Dec. 31, 06
Navel ROTC scholarship program and Marine Corps	Up to \$150,000	Seniors. www.nrotc.navy.mil/colleges.cfm	Dec. 31, 06
Arts Recognition Scholarship Program	\$1000	Seniors. Attend. FL School. Excel in Dance, Film, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts, Media. Photo. Essay Extra Curric Activites. Work Sample or video www.faae.org	Jan. 5, 07
John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest	\$500 - \$3000	High school students. Essay Contest less than 1000 words. Show understanding of political courage as described in Kennedy's Profile in Courage. http://jfkcontest.org/	Jan. 6, 07
United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship	\$1500	Senior. FL Resident. Fin. Need. Leadership, Membership, Honors. Transcript. Personal Statement www.floridajcisenate.org	Jan. 7, 07
Elks National Most Valuable Student Scholarship	\$4000 to \$60,000	Seniors. US Citizen Academic Achieve, Comm. Service, Fin. Need.Essay. APP must be signed by lodge official to find local lodges www.elks.org/LocalLodges.cfm APP www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm	Jan. 12, 07
Gates Millenium Scholars	Full Tuition and expenses	Seniors. African American, Hispanic, American Indian, Asian Pacific. US Citizen. Fin. Need. Leadership. Min. 3.3 GPA www.gmsp.org	Jan. 12, 07

Sam Walton Community Scholarship	\$1000	Senior. Fin. Need. Achievement, Community Service. www.walmartfoundation.org	Jan. 12, 07
<u>FLORIDA STATE U.</u> Service Scholar	\$2000	Seniors. Outstanding service. Essay. www.serve2learn.fsu.edu	Jan. 12, 07
<u>University of North FL</u>	Varies	Seniors. Apply to university by Jan. 13 to be considered for all merit based scholarships www.unf.edu/finaid/scholarships/fl-fr-academic.html	Jan 13, 07
Dale E. Fridell Scholarship	\$1000	Seniors. Residents and International students may apply. Students plan to attend any post-secondary program! Essay www.straightforwardmedia.com/fridell	Jan. 14, 07
<u>Washington University</u>	Varies	Seniors. Separate Scholarships are available. To be considered you must apply to Wash U and complete an Academic Scholarship App. www.admissions/wustl.edu	Jan 15, 07
Family Fun Volunteers Contest	\$5000 (5) \$1000 (25)	Families who volunteer together are eligible. www.FamilyFun.com/volunteers	Jan. 15, 07
Bluestone Scholarship Program for <u>JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY</u>	\$2000 to full tuition	Seniors applying to James Madison must apply early action Nov 10 for Thomas/Karyn Dingedine Scholarship and Jan 15 for the Madison Achievement Sc. www.jmu.edu/admissions/scholarships	Jan. 15, 07
Mensa Scholarships	MANY \$300, \$600, \$1000	Seniors. Many scholarships with major interests in aeron engin, education, liberal arts, journalism, female journalism, goal-essay, arts-creative writing, fine arts. www.merf.us.mensa.org/scholarships/zipfinder.php	Rec'd by Jan. 16, 07
Ford Salute to Education- Last year we had 4 winners!!!	\$1000 (many)	High School Seniors. Broward & US Citizen or perm resident. BRACE Advisor signature. Required. Min. GPA 3.0 . Community service. www.stescholarships.org	Jan. 19, 07

Christopher High School Poster Contest	\$1000 (8 awards)	High school students. Poster contest theme “You can make a difference” Info www.christophers.org/16poster_pr.html	Jan. 19, 07
<u>University of Miami</u> Ronald A. Hammond Scholarship	Full tuition	Seniors. Underrepresented background. US Citizen or Perm Resident. Min. 3.8 GPA 1150 SAT or 26ACT. Rec. Essay www.miami.edu/hammond	Jan. 26, 07
<u>Stetson University-</u> <u>The J. Ollie Edmunds</u> <u>Distinguished</u> <u>Scholarship</u>	Full Tuition, Room and Board (2)	Seniors. www.edmunds-scholarship.org	Jan. 26, 07
<u>Florida International University-</u> <u>MPAS</u> <u>Scholars Award and</u> <u>Golden Drum</u>	\$1000 per semester (we’ve had several winners!)	Senior. Min. 3.2 GPA. Leadership Essay. Multi-cultural Programs and Services. www.fiu.edu/~mpas	Jan. 30, 07
Arts for the Future Scholarship	\$1000-\$2500 (we’ve had winners every year)	Seniors. Outstanding in theatre, dance, music, visual and tech. Arts. Submit works	Jan. 31, 07
Congress-Bundestag Vocational Exchange Program	Internship room/board in Germany	Voc. Exchange to Germany. Seniors. US citizens. Min. 3.0 GPA www.firn.edu/doe/programs/cp_bundestag.htm	Jan. 31, 07
National Council of Jewish Women- Jewish Leaders of Tomorrow	\$1000	11 & 12 Grader Young Women in Broward. Essay. Transcript. Demonstrate Leadership APP in BRACE.	Jan. 31, 07
<u>Calvin College,</u> Michigan Howard Hughes Medical Institute Scholarship	\$2500 (6) renewable	Seniors. Plan to major in biology, chemistry, biochem, physics or mathematics at Calvin College www.calvin.edu/admin/finaid/forms/hhmis.htm	Jan. 31, 07
Florida Engineering High School Scholarship	\$2000	Senior. US Citizen. Engineering Major. Min. 3.5 GPA, 1100 SAT 26 ACT math, 21 ACT English. App in BRACE office	Feb. 1, 07
Young Epidemiology Scholars (YES) Competition	120 awards yearly	Juniors and Seniors. Health research related projects. www.collegeboard.com/yes	Feb. 1, 07

<u>University of WEST Florida John C. Pace, Jr. Scholars Award</u>	\$5000 per year	Seniors. Top 5% at the end of the first semester. Essay letters of Recommendation. www.uwf.edu	Feb. 1, 07
Jeanette M. Russell Scholarship	\$5000	Seniors. Instrumental or Vocal student. Pursue music and jazz studies. Fin. Need. Finalist will compete March 10. www.goldcoastjazz.org	Feb. 1, 07
<u>University of Tampa Tampa Writing Scholars Competition</u>	Up to \$2000 yearly (5 – 15 yearly)	Seniors. Outstanding writers of poems, fiction, non-fiction, journalism. Complete UT app, major in English or Writing. Min 3.0 GPA, 1180 SAT or 26 ACT www.ut.edu	Feb. 1, 07
Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship	\$500 - \$20,000	Seniors. Diff. scholarships avail. Major studies to include history, nursing, female pursuing piano or voice, occup.thera, American Indian www.dar.org/natsociety,edout_scholars	Feb. 1, 07
Florida PTA/PTSA scholarships- 4 different applications	Annual Scholarship Up to \$4000 Comm/Junio, Voc/Tech, Fine Arts – \$1000 each	Seniors US Citizen may apply for any of 4 diff. Scholarships. Annual Scholarship-for comm.college, or FL public or private university min 3.0GPA, Comm/Junior FL school min 2.5GPA , Voc/Tech FL school- min 2.0GPA, or Fine Arts program min 3.0GPA at Institute, comm.college or FL university. APP in BRACE office	Feb. 2, 07 Postmark
Math Moves U Grant Scholarship	\$1000	Grades 6 – 12. US Citizen or Legal Resident. Essay not to exceed 500 words. App. In BRACE	Feb. 15, 07
FACTS.org	IBM Z60t ThinkPad Laptop computer	All students. Creat a new ePEP and enter a drawing to win a laptop. Apply at facts.org	Feb. 27, 07
<u>Florida Atlantic University</u>	\$200 - \$5000	Seniors. Students must apply to FAU. www.fau.edu/academic/admissions/scholarship.htm	March 1, 07
<u>Bridgewater College in Virginia</u>	Varies	Seniors. Great scholarships available for FL residents at this private Virginia College as well as Diversity scholarships. Visit www.bridgewater.edu	Ongoing

International Library of Photography Photo Contest	\$25 - \$10,000	All grade levels. Monthly contest Categories: action, children, humor, nature, people, animals, sports, travel www.picture.com/contest/enter.asp?Suite=4351	Ongoing
Common Knowledge Scholarships***CBHS had the most applicants for Sept. We beat the 215 other high schools in FL	Several *****	All high school students for most. www.cksf.org . FBI Challenge, Nursing Scholarship, Educator Scholarship, Black History Scholarship, Super Bowl	Ongoing program
Florida Next Magazine	All types of awards! Monthly	Grades 9 – 12. You will receive email solicitations! www.FloridaNEXT.com	Ongoing
Memorial Healthcare System 6 different scholarships available	\$1,500 - \$30,000	Seniors./college students Community scholarships Employee Dependent, RN to BSN, BS in Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Science. www.mhs.net	Ongoing
Nelnet National Scholarship Sweepstakes	\$1000 weekly	Seniors. Plan to attend college next year! www.nelnet.net/collegeplanning	Ongoing program
NEXT STEP Magazine	Prizes, \$\$\$	Monthly contests. www.nextSTEPmag.com/contests	Ongoing!
The SallieMae Funds: America Dream Scholarship, 911 Education Fund, First in Family.		www.salliemae.org . Several scholarships available for seniors. Deadlines vary.	Ongoing!

INTERESTING FACT: BY 2012 85% OF THE JOBS WILL REQUIRE EDUCATION BEYOND A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Career Interest and Ability Inventories are available at www.facts.org. Select *Career Planning* under *Choose a Link*, select *Florida Choices Planner*, in the Student Section click *Create New Portfolio*, enter *Broward Cty*, and *Cypress Bay High*. Enter your personal info and you are on your way!
OR go to www.Florida.access.bridges.com, *Create a New Portfolio*, *Broward Cty*, and *Cypress Bay High*. GREAT IDEA!!!

SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR, AND SENIOR NAVIGATOR FOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BRACE OFFICE!

Junior Checklist

- Make a list of the colleges you are considering
- Contact schools by email, ask to be placed on their mailing list, ask when a rep will be in So.FL.
- Examine your PSAT scores. Buy a prep book, practice on line or consider taking a prep class to improve
- Think about your strengths and preferences, college majors, and career interests
- Register to take the SAT Reasoning Test and/or ACT test. If you are planning to attend a Selective College take the SAT Subject Tests. Some schools will substitute the ACT.
- Make arrangements for campus tours
- Plan for your summer activities- Summer List is on BRACE Link
- Keep up your grades, this year is the most important!
- Stay involved with your school and community

Senior Checklist

FALL

- Take or retake the SAT Reasoning Test and if needed SAT Subject Tests and/or the ACT
- Submit your applications, resumes, essays, recommendations
- Send transcripts and test scores to schools
- Complete the CSS Profile if your university requires it
- Apply for scholarships, (Bright Futures opens in Dec.)

WINTER

- Parents complete FAFSA
- Verify schools have rec'd all application materials
- Submit housing applications and deposits
- Wait for acceptance letters and give copies to Mrs. Siegel

SPRING

- Review acceptance and financial packages
- Send in deposits
- Request final transcript be sent to your college

CHECK OUT THESE WEB SITES

****Starred items are new this month**

You will receive a lot of “junk” email after you register with some of these websites! I suggest you create an account just for these!

FOR COLLEGE SEARCHES:

www.collegeboard.com

www.collegebound.net

www.collegenet.com

www.collegeview.com

<http://nces.edu.gov/ipeds/cool>

www.collegenews.org

*****www.petersons.com**
www.nextSTEPmag.com/CollegeMatch
www.bestcollegedeals.com
www.collegedata.com

www.campusdirt.com
www.collegeparents.org
www.privatecolleges.com
www.usnews.com
www.OfftoCollege.com

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES:

www.fastweb.com
www.scholarshipsforhispanics.org
www.studentrewards.com
www.wiredscholar.com
www.apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_s/s/scholarshipsearch.jsp
www.findcollegemoney.com
Nursing: www.nursingworld.org
www.usnews.com/scholarship

www.supercollege.com
www.collegeanswer.com ***
www.scholarshiphelp.org
www.guaranteed-scholarships.com
www.Allscholar.com
www.FreeCollegeScholarships.net
www.findtuition.com

CAREER SEARCHES:

www.facts.org
www.bls.gov/oco
www.mapping-your-future.org/features/careership
www.militarycareers.com
www.florida.echoices.com
www.careervoyages.gov
www.careerkey.org
www.careerEdition.com
www.StartHereGoPlaces.com/yes
www.eweek.org (engineering)
www.aamc.org/students/start.htm
(medical schools site)
www.aia.org (architecture)

SAT/ACT PREP:

www.review.com
www.4tests.com
www.testpreview.com
www.actstudent.org/testprep/
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