



## **Boys' Latin of Philadelphia Charter School**

### **College Advising Newsletter**

### **December 2016**

Congratulations to all the Boys' Latin seniors who have been admitted to at least one college already and have received their ties!

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### **Upcoming Application Deadlines**

As winter break approaches, some important college deadlines are approaching as well. Seniors are reminded that the college advising office has its own deadlines for adding a college to the "colleges I'm applying to" list and requesting the transcript on Naviance. Students who are applying to colleges with a **January 1 or 2** application deadline should have added the college and requested the transcript in Naviance by December 16th. If you have not done this already, please do it immediately. The deadline for colleges with a **January 15th** application deadline is January 2.

**Seniors should be completing all of their applications, regardless of deadline, as soon as possible.**

## **FAFSA**

**All seniors should complete the FAFSA, the form required by all colleges for students seeking financial aid in the 2017-2018 school year, as soon as possible, whether or not you have completed all of your applications.** The FAFSA is available online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Both the student and a parent will need to create a Federal Student Aid ID (FSAID) to be used to sign the FAFSA electronically. To create an FSAID, go to [www.fsaied.ed.gov](http://www.fsaied.ed.gov). If a parent already has an FSAID, either because the student's older sibling recently has attended college or the parent has recently attended college himself or herself, the parent should use that same FSAID. Mrs. Bonner and Ms. Tedesco are happy to assist any parent who wants help completing the FAFSA. Please call or email one of us to set up an appointment.

Please note that a few colleges require an additional financial form called the CSS Profile from students. Students complete this form on the College Board website, [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). The college advisors can tell you whether or not you need to complete this form. **Some colleges require students to have completed the CSS Profile as early as January 15.**

When you complete the FAFSA, please remember to complete the PA State Grant application at the same time. A link to this application will appear on the FAFSA confirmation page when you submit it. The last step in completing the state grant application is printing, signing, and mailing the signature page to the state agency in Harrisburg.

## **Fee Waivers**

If you qualified for fee waivers for the SAT, you also qualify for application fee waivers. In most cases, you must complete a paper fee waiver form that is available in the college office. We then will send that form to the college so that they will waive your fee. You do not have to complete a paper form for any college that you apply to through the Common Application.

## **SAT Scores**

The college advisors routinely send copies of students' SAT/ACT scores to any college they apply to that requires them. Some colleges will not accept scores from the high school, however. It is the student's responsibility to check each college's policy and send his scores

directly from his College Board account to any college that requires they be received directly from College Board. Your application will not be complete until you do this.

### **Winter Break Availability**

If you need assistance over winter break, please email Mrs. Bonner at [hbonner@boyslatin.net](mailto:hbonner@boyslatin.net) or Ms. Tedesco at [stedesco@boyslatin.net](mailto:stedesco@boyslatin.net). Please include a phone number at which you can be reached in your message.