

## College Counseling Corner- September 12, 2019

### Save the Date

#### **Wednesday, September 18- Junior Parent Night & Financial Aid Night at 6:00 PM**

We will be hosting Junior Parent Night and a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Information Session on Thursday, September 18th beginning at 6:00 pm. Ms. Smith and Mrs. Fletcher will be presenting for the first 30 minutes regarding the junior year at Scottsdale Preparatory Academy and Kevin Johnson from ASU's Office of Financial Aid will begin his presentation at 6:30 pm. All junior parents are encouraged to attend!

#### **Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> Great Hearts College Symposium at 9:30 AM**

All Great Hearts juniors and parents of juniors are encouraged to attend the 12th Annual Great Hearts College Symposium. This year the event will be hosted by Scottsdale Preparatory Academy. This fun and informative event, includes a college fair with over 55 colleges, parent presentation and optional Pacific Northwest college tour presentation.

### College Visits

All high school students are welcome and encouraged to attend college visits that take place during lyceum or during their lunch period. All visits will take place in the tech lab. Click [here](#) for a complete list of colleges visiting Scottsdale Prep this fall.

### Senior Essay Workshop

Miss Smith will be hosting another Application Essay Workshop on Saturday, September 14th, 9-11 am in the SPA Library. Please register via the Sign-up Genius to ensure that materials are prepared in advance! This workshop is currently being offered to seniors, but will be repeated for juniors in the spring. Students are encouraged to dress comfortably and bring a writing utensil, water bottle, snack, and (if they prefer it) a personal laptop. Click [here](#) to sign-up! Please direct questions to [lsmith@scottsdaleprep.org](mailto:lsmith@scottsdaleprep.org)

### The Importance of College Campus Tours

We are excited to announce our next summer college tour in June of 2020! This summer, Great Hearts College Counseling has partnered with EF Tours to explore colleges in the Pacific Northwest. The college tour is open to all current 10th and 11th-grade students. As we prepare for this trip, please join us for an upcoming information session. We will cover the itinerary, the schools we are visiting, the price, and most importantly, the many benefits of visiting college campuses. If interested in learning more about the tour, it is strongly recommended to register for one of the regional information sessions listed below.

1. September 17th, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Scottsdale Preparatory Academy in the theater
  - a. Address: 16537 N 92nd St, Scottsdale, AZ 85260
  - b. [Please Register Here](#) for SPA on 9/17
2. October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 pm at Lincoln Preparatory Academy in the library
  - a. Address: 2250 S Gilbert Rd, Chandler, AZ 85286
  - b. [Please Register Here](#) for LPA on 10/1

If you are interested in the tour but unable to attend the information sessions or if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the 2020 Tour Coordinator, Rachel Corcos, Lincoln Preparatory college counselor, at [rcorcos@lincolnpref.org](mailto:rcorcos@lincolnpref.org).

### Register for the PSAT!

All 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students will be taking the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) on Wednesday, October 16th, 2019. The PSAT provides important practice and can help students see where they can improve for future tests. For 11th grade students, the PSAT is also the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

The PSAT will be administered at SPA on October 16, 2019, 7:40am-12:20pm and it is expected that all students will participate. The fee for all students is \$25.00. Please click [here](#) to register!