*FROM THE COUNSELING OFFICE…*

The Counseling office has new codes for the Counseling Goggle classroom to keep all students informed on scholarships, important deadlines, college/technical careers, and job opportunities during the year. Each grade has a specific code. Please encourage your student to register via Gmail:

* **SENIORS: d32ew6**
* **JUNIORS:  p61i92f**
* **SOPHOMORES: lv2m49**
* **FRESHMAN: q01uhx**

**SUMMER PROGRAMS AT DUKE UNIVERSITY**

**Information for Duke Summer Session for High School Students<**[**https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=db9a23b3e0&e=26c41e8d60**](https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=db9a23b3e0&e=26c41e8d60)**>’ 2019 programs is now available!  Choose from three transformative programs next summer:   
  
Summer College<**[**https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=d7cbb44d36&e=26c41e8d60**](https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=d7cbb44d36&e=26c41e8d60)**> – A four-week, credit-bearing program for students currently in 10th – 12th grade in which they take undergraduate-level courses.  
  
Summer Academy<**[**https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=3929f6fb7f&e=26c41e8d60**](https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=3929f6fb7f&e=26c41e8d60)**> – A three-week program for students currently in 9th – 12th grade in which they take a certificate course.  
  
Accelerated STEM Academy<**[**https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=bd4c8b850e&e=26c41e8d60**](https://duke.us9.list-manage.com/track/click?u=ae00249cacde9c5531ef18867&id=bd4c8b850e&e=26c41e8d60)**> – A one-week, STEM-based program for students currently in 9th – 12th grade that consists of a variety of hands-on labs, tours of Duke’s research facilities, faculty lectures, and workshops**

**ACT CLASS PREP:**

**Need to prepare for ACT?**

**USF Sarasota- Manatee campus offers a 4-session ACT prep program ($65 plus 2 required books) in November in preparation for December 8th ACT test.**

[**https://secure.touchnet.com/C20235\_ustores/web/classic/product\_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=5501**](https://secure.touchnet.com/C20235_ustores/web/classic/product_detail.jsp?PRODUCTID=5501)

**EFSC: SCREENAGERS: Free documentary screening + Q&A**

**Presented by the Education Foundation**

**Are you watching kids scroll through life, with their rapid-fire thumbs and a six-second attention span? Join us for a FREE screening of award-winning documentary SCREENAGERS: Growing Up in the Digital Age to explore how tech time impacts kids’ development and discover solutions on how adults can empower their kids to best navigate the digital world to find balance.  
  
Dive deeper after the film for an interactive Q&A panel with subject-matter experts!**

October 22nd, 2018Time: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
6:10 to 7:20 PM - Documentary screening

7:20 to 8:00 PM - Post-screening Q&A session

North Port High School | Performing Arts Center

6400 W Price Blvd, North Port, FL 34291

**Click here to RSVP:** [**https://impactflow.com/event/presented-by-education-foundation-of-sarasota-county-9188?utm\_source=Clean%20List**](https://impactflow.com/event/presented-by-education-foundation-of-sarasota-county-9188?utm_source=Clean%20List)

START YOUR CAREER, COLLEGE SEARCH EARLY

Explore the new site for CAREER & COLLEGE Resources from Sarasota County: Scholarships, Career discovery, Tests prep, and more.  
<https://launchyourplan.com/>

NEXT MAGAZINE

Next, online magazine with information on college, technical schools, scholarships, and advice. **NEXT empowers students to make the most of the next two semesters as well as the years ahead:**

<http://www.pageturnpro.com/Florida-Trend/86208-Florida-Trends-NEXT-2018-2019/default.html?utm_source=Email_marketing&utm_campaign=NEXT_2018-2019_September_-_Student&cmp=1&utm_medium=ShareableEmail#page/16>

**SCHOLARSHIPS OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:**

The College Board is investing $25 million in a new scholarship program, with students earning $5 million in scholarships each year, beginning with the class of 2020. Be the first to know when it launches later this year.

Register now to be notified! <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>

PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARD:

$1,000 and other prizes!!  
Open to 5th-2th grade students with high number of community service hours. Complete application and submit to our Head of School, Fred Fout, by November 6th, 2018.   
<https://spirit.prudential.com/awards/how-to-apply>

**THE CARSON SCHOLARS FUND: $1,000**

**SMA will nominate one student from SMA with a 3.75 or higher GPA for the scholarship (9th-11th grades).There will be an essay contest among possible candidates to make the selection. Please choose one of the prompts below and submit to Dr. Maria Clapp by December 3rd, 2018 (650 word minimum, 750 word maximum):**

1. **Discuss an accomplishment, event or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others. What did you learn? In what ways did you grow? How can your growth and understanding help you to achieve your future goals?**
2. **Think of a time you challenged a belief or idea. What caused you to act? Did your actions bring about change, positively or negatively? Reflect on your actions.**

ESSAY CONTEST

Open to United States high school students in grades 9th -12th.  
Essays must describe an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official who served during or after 1917, the year John F. Kennedy was born. The official may have addressed an issue at the local, state, or national level. The deadline is January 18, 2019.  
<https://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest/Eligibility-and-Requirements.aspx>

**ACT STUDENT CHAMPION AWARD**

**The ACT Student Champion Award recognizes one student in each state who is tenacious and persistent, no matter the challenge, and is prepared for life after high school with a goal in mind and plan in place.  
  
ACT Student Champions receive a $500 non-renewable scholarship, certificate, and state-level recognition. Apply:** [**www.act.org/readinesschampions**](http://www.act.org/readinesschampions)**<**[**http://mkto-ab080206.com/Aj4L0yEZ00l9ohX00Z0O0tR**](http://mkto-ab080206.com/Aj4L0yEZ00l9ohX00Z0O0tR)**>. Applications are due October 31, 2018, and champions will be notified on or before January 31, 2019.**

**Attention SENIORS!!**

**NEW ELECTRICAL AND INSTRUMENTATION TECHNOLOGY COURSE at Manatee Technical College MTC). This is a course that offers education in to an extremely in demand field.  This is a technical field that has openings in the area for employees with salaries up to $39.00 per hour presently. Check Flyer!**

COLLEGE VISITS TO SMA Cafeteria

\*\*Must register in the Counseling office

* **Palm Beach Atlantic University, Monday 11/19, 8:30am**
* US Coast Guard Academy: cadet presentation: Monday 11/19, 12:00pm

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS ONLY:

BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIPS (BF): Opens October 1st, 2018

In order to be evaluated to receive the scholarship, students must select at least one state university. Check out the link below for more information.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/pdf/nm4c_brochure.pdf>

***\*\*The FAFSA application for student aid: File it early, and do it right—All students, even those from affluent families, should submit an application. Though only families with income of less than $50K qualify for federal grants, there are thousands of state and private scholarships that are accessible only if you fill out the form\*\****FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID (FAFSA): Opens October 1st. Click below to learn the documents needed to apply & locations to receive free assistance with application. <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

**THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY offers scholarships to senior students who are members of (NHS). Check out the link for the deadline:**

<https://www.nhs.us/advisers/the-nhs-scholarship/>

SUN TRUST:

How about $500 for college from the SunTrust College Scholarship Program? 2 winners will be chosen every 2 weeks from October 29th until May 13th, 2019. Enter now: <https://offtocollegesweepstakes.suntrust.com/?cid=va-offtocollege>

HORATIO ALGER SCHOLARSHIP: Up to $25,000 for college!!

For students demonstrating Financial Need.

Deadline: October 25th, 2018

<https://scholars.horatioalger.org/scholarships/about-our-scholarship-programs/national-scholarships/>

**BROOKS LAW GROUP SCHOLARSHIP**

**Essay requirement about law topic, demonstrating knowledge, integrity, and citizenship. The deadline is November 2nd, 2018**

<https://www.brookslawgroup.com/about/community/community-outreach/>

THE COOKE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

Available to high-achieving high school seniors with financial need who seek to attend and graduate from the nation's best four-year colleges and universities. High school seniors with financial need can apply exclusively through The Common Application. The deadline is November 20, 2018 at 11:59 p.m.:

<https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/how-to-apply/>

ASALH: Association for the Study of African American Life and History Scholarship program for African American seniors pursuing post-secondary education. The application is in the Counseling office. Deadline, February 15th, 2019

LOU KOMAROV MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP from Southern Trust Financial Planning: $1,000 scholarship based on financial need. Deadline: MARCH 18, 2019. Application attached.

HOUSING ASSSISTANCE WHILE IN COLLEGE:

Southern Scholarship Foundation provides rent-free housing for students with financial need, good character, and strong academic merit. We operate large, dorm-style houses on or near the campuses we serve. You can also visit our website, [www.southernscholarship.org](http://www.southernscholarship.org) to explore more about the foundation.

$$$$ FREE SCHOLARSHIPS SEARCH $$$$$

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com/)  
In addition to registering for the SAT, you can investigate scholarship opportunities here.  
  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com/)  
includes over 275,000 awards in the database.   
  
[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org/)  
Sponsored by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, this site provides a comprehensive guide to student financial aid, provides information regarding scholarship scams, and provides tools for estimating the family contribution.   
  
[www.embark.com](http://www.embark.com/)  
This site provides exploration of scholarships, careers, and majors/careers, internships and interviews with people from a range of career areas.

**RESOURCES FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS:**

* Parent Guides, Life after High School Graduation, Fastest Growing

Careers and more. <https://www.floridastudentsachieve.org/>

* Sarasota County Schools offers information on high school requirements, local scholarships, financial aid and more… Go to Featured resources, College and Financial Aid Heading:

<http://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/students.aspx>

* Explore Institutions, Discover Degrees & Certificate Programs

Find out what degrees and certificate programs are offered at each institution and what courses are required, Get Ready for College

Pay for College, Find the resources you need to pay for college, including scholarships, grants, loans and work-study programs:

<https://www.floridashines.org/go-to-college/get-ready-for-college>

* Financial Literacy for middle & high school students:

(Banking, budgeting and saving, credit and debt, insurance and financial frauds and scams): <http://financeyourfuture.myfloridacfo.com/index.html>

* Florida Department of education site with info on high school graduation requirements, state assessments:

<http://www.fldoe.org/academics/graduation-requirements/>

* Florida University System: Honors programs, majors, financial aid, transfers: <http://www.flbog.edu/>
* Information on strategies to help our children deal with difficulty situations that may lead to trauma: National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH): <https://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/helping-children-and-adolescents-cope-with-violence-and-disasters-parents/index.shtml>
* School Social Work Association of America (SSWAA):

<http://www.sswaa.org/?page=252>

* The [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](http://ncbh.msgfocus.com/c/1lVGbVlfidEBYsXyT5Jsu9BQo) (1-800-273-TALK (8255)) is available 24/7 to provide confidential support for individuals in crisis, as well as concerned family and loved ones.
* <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>