NYU Metro Center College Prep Academy/1199 WorkForce Seniors

YOU ARE GOING TO COLLEGE – Congratulations!

THINGS TO CONSIDER BETWEEN NOW AND STARTING COLLEGE

Check your email or your electronic account at your school OFTEN!

**DEPOSITS** have you confirmed your admission and made a deposit? If you plan to be living on campus in a dormitory, have you completed a housing application and made a separate housing deposit?

**FINAL TRANSCRIPTS** – If you are not in a NYC Public School and attending a CUNY College, have you arranged to have your final transcript sent to the correct CUNY College after graduation? Most NYC Public Schools can upload transcripts automatically

*Note:* if you are attending a SUNY school or Private School or out of state school you must make sure that the appropriate person at your school knows where to send your final transcript

**IMMUNIZATION RECORDS, HEALTH FORMS OR MEDICAL EXAM, HEALTH INSURANCE VERIFICATION AND WAIVER**

All schools require these forms to be submitted before the beginning of classes. You may be able to reduce your costs if your health insurance coverage is acceptable. If you are going out of the city or especially the state, make sure your coverage is accepted in that state

**DEADLINES** – Make sure you know all the appropriate deadlines!

By when do you have to sign up for orientation, the placement test, and registration? By when do you have to pay your bill or at least make the first installment before your classes are canceled? If doming, have you completed a housing application and submitted a deposit?

Check your school’s ACADEMIC YEAR CALENDAR and Registration Calendar for important dates
FINANCIAL AID
Have you reviewed your SAR? You can find your SAR on the fafsa.ed.gov site. Have you received a financial aid award letter from your school?

Have you been selected for verification? If so, you need to complete the process ASAP, or your financial aid will be delayed. Follow the instructions given to you by the Financial Aid Administrator of the school you are planning to attend.

New York State – TAP – Tuition Assistance Program – hesc.ny.gov
You need to verify your award and make sure that the correct college or university within NYS is listed there or you will not get your award transferred to your account in the fall.

YOU CAN CHANGE THE SCHOOL ON YOUR ACCOUNT IF IT IS NOT CORRECT
Log In and make sure that the correct school is listed on your account or you will not get your TAP. It corrects quickly – about 3 days – and then notify the college’s financial aid administrator that you have done this!

EXCELSIOR SCHOLARSHIP
If you are attending a CUNY or SUNY school and you and your parents have a combined AGI below $125,000, as reported on 2017 federal 1040 income tax forms and your FAFSA, you may be eligible to apply for the EXCELSIOR SCHOLARSHIP, which may help to reduce your cost of tuition.

- Be aware, there are many restrictions, and it is NOT FREE, but check it out at the HESC website https://www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior/
- For each year that you are awarded the Excelsior Scholarship, you will need to live and work or go to graduate school in NYS or this award could turn into a loan, so READ the details.
- You will be asked to sign a PN – Promissory note in case this turns into a loan

THE APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE NOW! So do not procrastinate – DO IT NOW! Make sure that you have also filed your FAFSA and TAP forms.

To apply, you will need to have your
- TAP Username and Password available
- A copy of your SAR – from your FAFSA account to upload – even if you are selected for verification, upload the SAR

You do not need to upload a transcript since you are a freshman and are just entering college. Once you are in college, you must complete 30 credits per year to maintain eligibility and reapply each year.

If you have questions about this application call or email me @ mas5@nyu.edu, 212.998.5111, or 917.225.3854
ARE YOU ATTENDING A PRIVATE SCHOOL IN NYS?
If you are attending a private college within NYS, you may be eligible for a new scholarship program, if your school is participating.

**THE ENHANCED TUITION AWARD**

It is administered through HESC, check it out at:

Your school must agree to participate in this program
Use the drop-down menu to find out if your school is opting in!
The awards are a maximum of $6000.00 annually.

In all this excitement over new programs, do not forget to check your TAP Account at:

You need to verify your award and make sure that the correct college or university within NYS is listed there or you will not get your award transferred to your account in the fall.

If you have received an award letter have you accepted/or declined the aid that you will or will not take next year – pay attention to loans. THEY ARE YOURS, and you will have to pay them back!

If you are taking loans, do you know how to complete a MPN – Master Promissory Note? Follow the instructions on your school’s website, or Log in to www.studentloans.gov and sign in. First, you must complete the entrance counseling and submit it. The next step is to complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN). Click on MPN link and fill in your information, including two references. Type your name, date, and submit. Be sure to print a copy for your record.
ORIENTATION, PLACEMENT TESTS AND REGISTRATION SPECIAL SERVICES

Does your college have an accepted student's Facebook page?
If so, it is a great place to get info. – Good use of social media!

When is your school hosting their ORIENTATION…and have you signed up for it?
Most schools have an orientation or accepted students’ day or both. Some have this
separately in the summer, and some have it just before school starts.
YOU MUST ATTEND, and generally, parents are encouraged to attend also.

If you are required to take a placement test, have you registered for it?
Usually, if one is required, you cannot register for classes until you do.

There are multiple ways to register for classes; during orientation with your
academic adviser, online registration, or the college Registrar’s office. Check your
school’s academic calendar for registration dates. Orientation will also give you
more information about this procedure.

If you are attending a CUNY community college, Medgar Evers College, NYC TECH or
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, check and see if you are eligible for the ASAP
program.

If you are a student who has an IEP or 504 Plan, you must register for services at the
college level; these are confidential services. You should have a copy of the latest copy
of your IEP or 504 plan and all related testing from your high school.

Make an appointment at your college to discuss the services you received in high
school and what you will need to do to receive services on the college campus.

Remember this is a confidential situation not like when you were in high school.
These services are your right and will enable you to have services such as
extended time, separate location for exams, or testing or a reader, etc.
DO THIS BEFORE YOU TAKE THE PLACEMENT TEST or as soon as you can
afterward

JOSEPH TAUBER SCHOLARSHIP - 1199 Members Only

If you applied for the Scholarship, you should have completed the application and the
CSS PROFILES AND submitted your SAR and a copy of your award letter – if you did
not do all of these things by the deadline, your application is incomplete. YOU may get
an email asking for the missing piece, but if you know, it is missing GET IT DONE
NOW! Contact the Joseph Tauber Scholarship Fund at; 1199itsp@1199funds.org or
call 646.479.8999. If you did not apply this year but want to apply for next year, that
is the academic year 2020 -2021, you can also request an application at this number.
If you have completed the application, you will need to get an official letter of proof of attendance once you begin college in August or September. The letter must be dated after the first day of school and must be turned into the Joseph Tauber Scholarship Fund at the Union. If you have anything outstanding, you must scan it and send it to the email address 1199tsp@1199funds.org

This letter is required, and your award will not be released unless you submit it. Note your award is not released until sometime later in the fall, so it cannot be counted on to pay the bill in the fall semester

Remember to keep your grades up and at the end of the year if you have a B or better GPA for either semester, submit an official transcript, and you may be eligible for an incentive award

REMEMBER, YOU MUST REAPPLY FOR ALL FINANCIAL AID EVERY YEAR!

If you are a nursing student, when you enter clinical experience classes—usually in your junior, year but in some cases earlier.
YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR AN ADDITIONAL Scholarship.
Notify the Tauber Program when that occurs.

Remember our contact info:

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HAVE A GREAT YEAR!

Hope to see you on January 11, 2020, for Alumni Day