Parents of 9th Graders:

On Wednesday, October 10, your student is to report to the Main Gym by 8:20 a.m. and will stay with us until 11:45am for a day packed with academic, career and inspirational presentations. Due to the PSAT, October 10 is a minimum day.

Parents of 10th & 11th Graders:

Your student will take the PSAT on October 10, with a start time of 8:20am SHARP and a release time of 11:45am.

Students are to report to their Family Homeroom. Those with testing accommodations report to the Resource Room on that day.

Please remind your student that cell phones are prohibited in the test room, and violation will result in a referral to the Dean. Students should bring a calculator, #2 pencil (not mechanical), snacks and water.

COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS AT BISHOP THIS WEEK

**Brown University (an Ivy League school)**
Monday, October 8
10:50am – 11:30am
College and Career Center

**Duke University**
Monday, October 8
12:53pm – 1:20pm
College and Career Center

**Denison University**
Tuesday, October 9
12:53pm – 1:20pm
College and Career Center
Willamette University
Thursday, October 11
7:50am – 8:20am
College and Career Center

**Scholarship Opportunities:**

Are you a middle or high school student making a difference through volunteering? Apply today for national recognition, monetary awards and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C.! Young volunteers in grades 5-12 can complete applications online at [spirit.prudential.com](http://spirit.prudential.com) or [nassp.org/spirit](http://nassp.org/spirit) in early November and then submit the application to their Head of School. One student from each school is then selected as a Local Honoree. The top youth volunteer in each state are named State Honorees and go on to national finals.

The Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara offers the Breitling College Visit Scholarship to junior and senior female students. The scholarship is designed for the purpose of providing financial assistance to visit college campuses outside of California; giving the opportunity to be exposed to new environments. The application deadline is November 30th. The scholarship can be used for airfare, lodging, food costs and miscellaneous expenses. If interested in an application, please see Mrs. Carpenter.

**Parents of 12th Graders:**

Mrs. Carpenter will host a series of college application workshops that students and parents are encouraged to attend. We will meet in the College and Career Center, and will use computers there and in the Library for the workshop. Students can also bring their laptops if interested.

California State University (CSU) Application Workshop
Wednesday, October 17 during Study Hall (9:40am-10:05am)
College and Career Center

University of California (UC) Application Workshop
Thursday, October 18 after school (1:45am-2:45pm)
College and Career Center

UCSB will offer webinars the first Monday of each month at 11am.
- **Monday, Nov. 5:** Engineering Admissions at UCSB [Register now!](http://Register now!)
• **Monday, Dec. 3**: College of Creative Studies at UCSB [Register now!]

• **Monday, Jan. 7**: UCSB Financial Aid [Register now!]

SAT with Writing Registration Deadlines (Bishop’s School Code is 053-245)
November 2 for December 1 Test
Register at [www.sat.collegeboard.org/register](http://www.sat.collegeboard.org/register)

ACT with Writing Registration Deadlines
November 2 for December 8 Test
Register at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

**IMPORTANT UPDATE** regarding how to send official SAT and ACT scores to Cal State Universities. The Cal State application has been refined; now students can send test scores to just one CSU and the colleges a student applies to will share scores with one another. This is similar to what the UCs have historically done. For all other colleges, you will have to order test scores individually. See Mrs. Carpenter with questions.

If you need a letter of recommendation for an early application, please make note of the deadlines below.

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Scholarship Opportunities:

Fireside Catholic Publishing offers a $1,000 award with their essay contest. Applications are due by December 7th and the essay topic is “How is your Religious Education Influencing your Life?” Only one student from Bishop may apply for the scholarship. Contact Mrs. Carpenter for more information.
Davidson College in North Carolina offers a $65,000 annual award with $3,000 travel stipend for a winner of the Belks Scholarship; going to a student with demonstrated superior and intellectual personal achievement and significant leadership ability.

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program at The University of Texas at Dallas is one of the nation’s most generous and selective undergraduate merit awards. Valued at more than $250,000 the scholarship includes tuition, stipend, study abroad and professional development funding.

McDermott Scholars have:

- Interned at Google, Amazon, JPMorgan, U.S. Supreme Court, NPR, NIH and CERN.
- Gone on to Harvard, Yale, MIT, Stanford, Johns Hopkins and Cambridge.
- Won Fulbrights, Goldwaters, NSF Fellowships, Udalls, a Schwarzman and a Gates Cambridge.
- Worked at Microsoft, McKinsey, Texas Instruments, the White House, United Nations, NASA, Cleveland Clinic and PricewaterhouseCoopers.
- Deadline: Dec. 7, 2018

Notre Dame De Namur University is a small private school near San Francisco. Mrs. Carpenter has been given the opportunity to nominate two seniors for a $16,000 scholarship, awarding graduates of Catholic High Schools, committed to community service. If interested in a nomination, please see Mrs. Carpenter.

Gonzaga University offers a Leaders Scholarship worth $20,000. For more information, visit: The [Gonzaga Leaders Scholarship](#)

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