



CHELMSFORD

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Hello Juniors & Junior Parents,

We hope you've been able to enjoy some of this beautiful weather! It feels like spring is finally here. Just a few things for you this week...

PLANNING TO VISIT COLLEGES OVER BREAK?

April vacation is fast approaching and all juniors are strongly encouraged to visit colleges you may be interested in, either in-person (if available) or virtually.

HOW TO LEARN ABOUT A COLLEGE WITHOUT A COLLEGE VISIT:

Even if you are not able to do in-person tours, there are many ways you can learn more about a college. If you have questions about a school, don't hesitate to call them. While we know that making phone calls is not the most comfortable thing for some students to do, one admission rep encouraged students to "lean into the discomfort of calling," which is great advice! Other ways for you to connect with a college include:

- Check schools' websites. Yes, look at the Admissions pages, but also look at pages relating to student activities, majors offered, academic departments and programming and more
- Call or email admission reps directly
- Use the Chat Bot on the schools' website
- Complete surveys that the schools send you so they can focus the future info they send
- Utilize Social Media: Instagram, Twitter, Facebook

Use your time now to explore colleges using the resources that you do have. Hopefully there will be more opportunities for tours as we head into the spring and summer months.

TIP OF THE WEEK: When visiting colleges, don't be afraid to talk to students on campus.

Though a little more awkward with masks on, most students will be happy to answer any questions and share their opinions with you.... or simply give you directions if you're lost! 🙌

Please note that we do not see responses to this email, so please email your counselor directly.

Have a great weekend!

CHS School Counseling

Important Dates:

April 17: ACT offered at area high schools, registration deadline has passed; late registration is available for an additional fee (www.actstudent.org)

May 8: SATs offered at CHS and other area high schools, registration deadline – 4/8

June 5: SATs offered at CHS and other area high schools, registration deadline – 5/6

June 12: ACT offered at area high schools, registration deadline – 5/7

July 17: ACT offered at area high schools, registration deadline - 6/18