Welcome to the 2012-13 school year! This is the first edition of the Guidance Department’s scholarship newsletter. Most of the information is relevant to seniors, but sometimes there are contests that are open to all grade levels. We encourage you to stay in close contact with your guidance counselor to learn about these competitions. These newsletters are available in guidance offices and online on the district website, www.hufsd.edu.

For all students, this is the beginning of what we expect will be a very successful year. Your counselors are ready and eager to help you to achieve your goals.

Our 12th Grade Student & Parent Night took place on September 13th. A copy of the presentation can be accessed on the district guidance website.

Upcoming presentations include:
October 2nd 7 pm: 11th Grade Student & Parent Night
October 11th 7 pm: 9th Grade Parent Night
November 14th 7 pm: 10th Grade Student & Parent Night

We will be conducting small group meetings with the 9th grade students in early October during the day.
All students are encouraged to utilize the extra help that every teacher offers, either before or after school or during the school day whenever the need arises. Extra-help schedules are available from all the teachers and from your guidance counselor. Additionally, there are peer tutors through the National Honor Society. Don’t hesitate to seek out those resources that can help maximize your success.

UPCOMING COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS

PSAT…………………………………… Saturday, Oct. 20th
Registration is ongoing through October 4th

ACT……………………………………Saturday, Oct. 27th
Late registration through Oct. 5th

SAT………………………………………Saturday, Nov. 3rd
Registration Deadline is Oct.4th
Late registration deadline is Oct. 19th

ACT………………………………………Saturday, Dec. 8th
Registration deadline: Nov 2nd
Late registration deadline is Nov.16th

There are SAT dates that are administered at other testing sites. Dates include October 6th, December 1st, and January 26th. Check with the College Board for other locations if you want to take the test on any of these dates.
CONTESTS & PROGRAMS FOR ALL GRADES

PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS for students in all grades who have taken part in community service activities over the past year. Fill out an application at http://spirit.prudential.com or www.nassp.org/spirit. Once the form is completed online, it must be printed out, signed and submitted to Mrs. Hallett in Guidance West by November 6th. Huntington High School can only nominate one student who has demonstrated exemplary volunteerism.

V.F.W. VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP open to all students in grades 9-12 is an audio-essay contest leading to a national winner of a $30,000 scholarship. This year’s theme is “Is our constitution still relevant?” For entry forms and more information contact VFW National Headquarters at www.vfw.org. Go to: programs, VFW Scholarship Programs. Students submit their entry to the local post, VFW Nathan Hale Post 1469. DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1st.

CLUB Z! ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD open to grade levels 5-12, $10,000 in cash prizes awarded for school, allows students to showcase their talents and abilities. Strong character in the classroom, overcome obstacles at school, shown leadership among peers, or simply improved since the beginning of the year. You can be nominated by teachers or apply online @ www.clubztutoring.com. DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 16TH.
SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SENIORS

AES ENGINEERS SCHOLARSHIP of $500, based on an essay on one of the two topics that appear on the scholarship page @ http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm. DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 5th.

HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP for graduating seniors who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, substantial financial need, a good academic record, commitment to pursuing a college education, and a desire to contribute to society. Applications online @ www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/program_national.cfm and must be submitted by OCTOBER 25TH.

COCA COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM for seniors with highly developed interests in their community, demonstrated leadership, academic achievement, commitment to community and employment. Two-hundred awards of $4,000 and twenty awards of $20,000 will be given across the country. Applications must be done online at www.coca-colascholars.org by OCTOBER 31st.

SUFFOLK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE “DOCTORS OF TOMORROW” PROGRAM for graduating seniors interested in entering the field of medicine. Required introductory symposium on November 14th, essay contest, a day with a doctor, and $3,000 in scholarships will be disseminated. You must let Mrs. Hallett know that you will be participating by NOVEMBER 1st.
WEBSITES FOR SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

www.fastweb.com
www.scholarships.com
www.srnexpress.com
www.collegeanswer.com
www.scholarshipamerica.org/students
www.StudentRewards.com
www.BrokeScholar.com
www.Collegenet.com
www.finaid.com
www.WeeklyscholarshipAlert.org
www.MeritAid.com
www.wiredscholar.com
www.studentaid.ed.gov
www.absolutelyscholarship.com