Welcome to the 2010-11 school year! This first edition of the Guidance Department’s scholarship newsletter is being sent to all students, grades 9-12. Most of the information is relevant to juniors and especially seniors, but we are sending this first edition to all grade levels so that you can get a preview of the opportunities that will be open to you later on. Sometimes there are contests that are open to all grade levels and we encourage you to stay in close contact with your guidance counselor to learn about these competitions. These newsletters are also posted on the school district website each time they are published (www.hufsd.edu).

For all students this is the beginning of what we expect will be a very successful year for you. Your counselors are ready and eager to help you to achieve your goals. The sooner we are able to get to know you, the sooner we will know what you need and how we can help you.
We met with our freshmen in large groups at orientation and in smaller groups last week. Our 9th grade parents have been invited to a “Meet the Counselor Night” on the evening of October 6th. We are eager to get to know our new students and families and to help them in any way that we can.

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 reach out to help yourself to do the very best you are capable of. Good Luck to all of you!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

PSAT…………………………………….October 16th

ACT…………………………………..October 23rd
standby registration only at this point

SAT……………………………………November 6th
registration deadline is Oct.8th
late Registration deadline is Oct. 22nd

ACT…………………………………..December 11th
registration deadline: Nov 5th

*There is an SAT October 9th which is not offered at HHS. Check with the College Board for other test sites if you want to take the test on this date.*
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.principals.org/spirit. Once the form is completed online, it must be printed out, signed and submitted to Mrs. Hallett in Guidance West by October 26th. Huntington High School may nominate one student with exemplary volunteerism for consideration.

PRESIDENTIAL CLASSROOM programs are week-long experiences in Washington, D.C. involving interaction and briefings with government, corporate, educational, historical, and civic officials. Sophomores, juniors, and seniors with at least a “B” average may apply. Tuition, fees, local transportation and room and board costs are $1,495, with some scholarships/financial aid available. Applications and further information available at www.presidentialclassroom.org.

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 $3,000 scholarship. This year’s theme is “Does my generation have a role in America’s future?” 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.
**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SENIORS**

**HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP** for graduating seniors who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, financial need, a good academic record, commitment to pursue a college education, and a desire to contribute to society. Applications are available online at [www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/program_national.cfm](http://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/program_national.cfm) and must be submitted by **OCTOBER 30TH**.

**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](http://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 10th, 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.**
**PRINCIPAL’S LEADERSHIP AWARD** for graduating seniors active in service organizations and clubs, achievement in the arts and sciences, employment experience, and academic record, with extensive demonstrated leadership experience. One student from each high school may be nominated and at least one from each state will receive a $1,000 scholarship. See Mrs. Hallett if you meet the criteria and would like to be considered. **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 17TH.**

**ELKS CLUB MOST VALUABLE STUDENT PROGRAM** will award 500 scholarships ranging from $4,000 to 60,000 across the country. New York State will award several $1,000 scholarships additionally. Applications are available online at [www.elks.org/enf/scholars](http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars). Huntington Elks also awards several Roger E. Tetrault Scholarships which are open to seniors in the Town of Huntington, and are $4,000. See Mrs. Hallett for additional paperwork required for the Huntington scholarship. **DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1st for the local awards and JANUARY 3RD for the national scholarships.**

**JENKINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR TEACHER EDUCATION** sponsored by the New York State PTA. **EACH SCHOOL MAY NOMINATE TWO (2) STUDENTS.** [GO TO WWW.NYSPTA.ORG](http://WWW.NYSPTA.ORG). **RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO MRS. HALLETT BY DECEMBER 6TH.**
AXA ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS for students who are active in community, have led a project that benefits others, or having overcome personal challenges. Grit and determination are the critical characteristics of AXA Achievers. Information and applications at www.axa-achievement.com. DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 15th.

“MAKE THE U” (HAZ LA U) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive and the Hispanic Scholarship Fund. A total of 11 grants will be awarded in the amount of $2,500 to $15,000 to graduating seniors of Hispanic descent. Essay required. Go to www.colgate.com/hazlau. DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 31ST.

GATES MILLENIUM SCHOLARS PROGRAM for African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, or Hispanic American seniors who are citizens/legal permanent residents or nationals of the United States. Minimum GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (un-weighted), demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities, and eligibility for Federal financial aid (Pell Grant). This is an extremely competitive program which selects 1,000 students to receive the full cost of attendance at a college or university. You must be nominated by your school principal, teacher, or guidance counselor. Apply online at www.gmsp.org or by paper application. The process is lengthy and must be completed by JANUARY 10TH.
COLLEGE SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIPS

CAZENOVIA COLLEGE
IONA COLLEGE
INDIANA UNIVERSITY
NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
ROANOKE COLLEGE
SUNY COLLEGE AT BROCKPORT

FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION see Mrs. Hallett in Guidance West, Mrs. Walsh/Ms. Baglivi in the College Center (room 120) and check the scholarship bulletin board in the main hallway.


GOOD LUCK!!!