

Hey, Seniors!

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OK—it's time for PHASE THREE of the college application process...

Remember:

Phase One was doing your standardized testing.

Phase Two was completing your college applications.

Phase Three is applying for financial aid.

Check out the third section of your College Handbook ("Financial Aid Information").

- Remove the old "Scholarship Opportunities" list and replace it with the latest revision (attached). Be sure to check and see if you are interested in any. Note that some have deadlines of Jan. 31st!
 - If you haven't already done so, create a personal profile and do a scholarship search at www.fastweb.com.
 - If you haven't done it yet, apply for a PIN at www.pin.ed.gov so you can e-sign the online FAFSA application.
 - Remind your parents to file their income tax as soon as possible.
 - Be supportive of your parents (and help in any way you can) as they do the challenging work of completing the FAFSA and CSS Profile (if necessary).
- ❖ SOME COLLEGES WANT YOU TO SEND A "SEVENTH SEMESTER TRANSCRIPT" (INCLUDING THE PAST SEMESTER'S GRADES) AND A LISTING OF YOUR SECOND SEMESTER COURSES. THEY CALL THIS A "MID-YEAR REPORT". CHECK AND SEE IF YOU NEED ME TO SEND A TRANSCRIPT AT THIS TIME.
- ❖ TODAY, I WILL BE HAVING YOU COMPLETE A SIMPLE "GPA VERIFICATION FORM" FOR THE CAL GRANT.

Don't forget to refer to the file cabinet of college information and the scholarships notebook in the library. I keep putting new information there!

Be sure to tell me about the process of your applications! You will be hearing from admissions offices soon.

Mrs. Ryan