

Juneteenth



# JUNE 12th, 2025 VIRTUAL PARENT LEADERSHIP (PLC) **COUNCIL MEETING** Celebrating Freedom





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## OUR PARENT Coordinator / PLC Liaison MS. Pink



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# OUR PLC SECRETARY DENISE TURNER





### OUR PLC TREASURER LUCIA MARTINEZ-JIMENEZ

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### OUR PLC PARENT FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR CATHERINA DAVIUS

#### What Is A Dad?

A dad is someone who wants to catch you before you fall but instead picks you up, brushes you off, and lets you try again.

A dad is someone who wants to keep you from making mistakes but instead lets you find your own way, even though his heart breaks in silence when you get hurt.

A dad is someone who holds you when you cry, scolds you when you break the rules, shines with pride when you succeed, and has faith in you even when you fail... - Unknown

TO ALL THE FATHERS OF WCHS & STAFF, Father's Day is more than just a holiday—it's an opportunity to celebrate and uplift the remarkable fathers and father figures who lead by example, fostering love, respect, and accountability in their families and communities.





### **<u>Quick Virtual Housekeeping</u>**

- Please Mute your Screen & Mute your Phones
- Please Do Not Click Present or Hook your Screen to the TV (It Interferes with the Presentation)
- Please Type your Name, Scholar's Name & Email Address in the Comment Section for Attendance
  \*\* Families on the phone please email Ms. Pink your name, scholar's name & grade
- Please type any Questions in the Comment Section relating to the Meeting
- NOTE: This PLC Virtual Meeting will be recorded & posted on our school website



### PLC VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA

- WELCOME FROM MS. PINK
- PLC AGENDA- PLC MEMBERS
- VIRTUAL HOUSEKEEPING RULES
- SCHOOL UPDATES FROM PRINCIPAL VALERIE JACOBSON
- PRESENTATION FROM BLOOMSBURG/ LOCK HAVEN/ MANSFIELD COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
- COMMERCIAL BREAK FROM: Ms. Martin 11th & 12th Grade Academy Leader
- COMMUNITY RESOURCES, COLLEGE TIPS AND POSITIVE VIBES- MS. PINK

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- PLC JUNE FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE
- COMMUNITY TABLE-PLC MEMBERS & MS. PINK
- CLOSING & FINAL REMARKS

# School Announcements from Principal Jacobson



CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL







- Final Exams 6/12-6/13; Make-Ups 6/16
- Regents Exams -6/17-6/18
- No School 6/19- Juneteenth
- Regents Exams 6/20-6/25
- No School 6/26 -Rating Day



- Graduation- 6/27; Report Cards Mailed
- First Day of School 2025-26: Mon., August 25th



### Sign Up for Regents Review Saturday, June 14th 10am-2:30pm: https://forms.gle/uuu3Kg7HyT9WhLVTA

Subject	Session 1 10am-12pm	Session 2 12:30pm-2:30pm	Room Number			
ELA	Carenza/Doody	Carenza/Doody	411			
ELA ELL SUPPORT	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	424			
Algebra	Sharif	Sharif	319			
Algebra 2	Jin	Jin	419			
Global	Georgiadis	Frost	311			
US History	Burchett	Burchett	613			
Living Environment	Nunez	Nunez	325			
Earth Science	Ibarra-Lara		425			
Chemistry	Solomon		532			
Music, Pizza, Raffles, Prizes at 12pm!						

#### Repaso para los Regents todo el Día Sábado, 14 de junio de 2025 10AM- 2:30PM

Formulario de Registración para Repaso de Regents

Tema	Sesión 1 10am-12pm	Sesión 2 12:30pm-2:30pm	Aula				
Inglés	Carenza/Doody	Carenza/Doody	411				
Inglés Apoyo en Inglés	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	Frank-Ulgen/ Banderia	424				
Álgebra	Sharif	Sharif	319				
Álgebra 2	Jin	Jin	419				
Historia Global	Georgiadis	Frost	311				
Historia de EEUU	Burchett	Burchett	613				
Biología	Nunez	Nunez	325				
Ciencia de la Tierra	Ibarra-Larra		425				
Química	Solomon		532				
¡Música, Pizza, Rifas, y Premios a las 12pm!							

#### **Regents Review**

June 2025 Regents Exam Dates

Tuesday June 17, 2025- Wednesday, June 25, 2025

**Regents Review Sessions** 

Tuesday, March 11th - Friday, June 13, 2025

#### Spring Regents Review Schedule 3:10-4:10pm

Class	Teacher(s)	Days and Time	Rooms			
Algebra	Ahmed	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, Friday	319			
Algebra	Chuang	Monday & Thursday	609			
Algebra II	Jin	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday	617			
Geometry	Giscombe N	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday	522			
Chemistry Solomon		Tuesday	532 💌			
Earth Science	Lara	Tuesday & Thursday	425			
Biology /Living Environment	Reid	Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday	325			
Global History	Mauro	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	601			
Global History (ENL)	Lara	Monday & Friday	330			
US History	Burchett	Tuesday & Thursday	613			
English	Doody	Monday	411			
English	Karoutos	Thursday	702			

#### Repaso para los Regents

Fechas de los Exámenes Regents en Junio 2025

Martes, 17 de junio de 2025 - Miércoles, 25 de junio de 2025

Sesiones de Repaso para los Regents	Martes, 11 de marzo - Viernes, 13 de junio
	de 2025

#### Horario de Repaso para los Regents en Primavera

#### 3:10-4:10pm

Clase	Maestro(s)	Días y Horas	Aulas
Álgebra	Ahmed	Lunes, martes, jueves y viernes	319
Álgebra	Chuang	Lunes y jueves	609
Álgebra II	Jin	Lunes, martes, y jueves	617
Geometría	Giscombe N	Lunes, martes, y jueves	522
Química	Solomon	Martes	532
Ciencia de la Tierra	Lara	Lunes y jueves	425
Biología	Reid	Lunes, martes, y jueves	325
Historia Global	Mauro	Lunes y martes, y jueves	601
Historia Global (ENL)	Lara	Lunes y viernes	330
Historia de los Estados Unidos	Burchett	Martes y jueves	613
Inglés	Doody	Lunes	411
Inglés	Karoutsos	Jueves	702



**REGENTS EXAMINATIONS** will take place on Tues., June 17 through Weds., June 25, 2025:

- Students report to exams only
- Full uniform required plus Student ID

• Cell Phones, electronics, including smart watches and fitbits are NOT Allowed and must be checked in upon arrival to the school building. Have your child leave these items at home or bring their labeled Ziploc pouch and check them at the door.

- Room assignments will be posted at the school
- Morning Exams begin promptly at 8am and afternoon exams begin promptly at 12pm;

Breakfast begins at 7:15am so please arrive early.

There is no school on Thurs., June 19th for the holiday and no school on June 26th for Rating Day.



#### REGENTS EXAM SCHEDULE JUNE 2025

Early Regents Days

June 10 <sup>Tuesday</sup>	June 11 <sup>Wednesday</sup>	June <b>17</b> <sup>Tuesday</sup>	June <b>18</b> <sup>Wednesday</sup>	June 19 <sup>Thursday</sup>	June <b>20</b> Friday	June 23 <sup>Monday</sup>	June 24 <sup>Tuesday</sup>	June 25 <sup>Wednesday</sup>	June 26 <sup>Thursday</sup>	June <b>27</b> Friday
8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM		8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM	8:15 AM		
Life Science: Biology (for students taking the class this school year)	Geometry	English Language Arts	Global History & Geography II	Juneteenth	U.S. History & Governm ent	World Language Checkpoint B Exams Spanish French Latin	Physical Setting/ Chemistry	Algebra II	DATIA	5 2010
12:15 PM		12:15 PM	12:15 PM	Holiday Observed	12:15 PM		12:15 PM		KĄTIN	G DAYS
Earth and Space Sciences (for students taking the class this school year)		Living Environment	Algebra I		Physical Setting/ Earth Science (Lab Practical Required see information below)		Physical Setting/ Physics			

\*\* Students registered for the Earth Science Regents on Fri., 6/20, must take the Earth Science Lab Practical on Weds., 6/4 at 1:30pm. If students were absent they must attend the make-up Lab Practical on Mon., 6/9 after school at 3pm in Room 425.

\*\*Estudiantes programados para tomar el Regentsen Ciencias de la Tierra el viernes, 20 de junio, necesitan tomar la práctica de laboratorio el miércoles 4 de junio a las 1:30pm en 425. Si estudiantes están ausente, deben tomar la práctica de laboratorio el lunes, 9 de junio a las 3:50pm en sala 425.

<u>Update on Credit Recovery and Summer School Policies for the 2025-2026 School</u> <u>Year</u>

We are currently in the process of updating our Credit Recov policies for the 2025–2026 academic year.

### What is being considered:



- Credit Recovery only offered to Juniors and Seniors.
- Grade-Based Eligibility: Students must have earned a minimum grade (e.g., 64%) in the original course to be eligible for Credit Recovery. Students who receive a grade lower than this may be required to retake the full course.
- Attendance Requirement: Students who did not attend the original course (e.g., due to excessive absences or non-participation) will not be eligible for CR and must complete the course during the regular school day or through summer school.
- Plans are being made to **extend the length of summer school** to allow adequate instructional time for course completion and mastery of content.

### Last Chance to Sign UP for Summer School

## Sign up by Monday June 16th

To complete registration, please follow these two steps:

- 1. Fill out the **Summer School Interest Form**
- 2. Complete the **Summer School Contract**

Summer School 2025 Schedule								
	2 Sessions AvailableSession 1: 8:00am to 11:00 amSession 2: 11:30am - 2:30pm							
	Trimester 1:		Trimester 2:		<u>Trimester 3:</u>	ך 🔨		
	Monday July 14th Tuesday July 15th Wednesday July 16th Thursday July 17th Monday July 21st		Tuesday July 22nd Wednesday July 23rd Thursday July 24th Monday July 28th Tuesday July 29th		Wednesday July 30th Thursday July 31st Monday August 4th Tuesday August 5th Wednesday August 6th			



Open to students, parents, and recent alumni.

Deadline: June 30, 2025

Fecha límite: 30 de junio de 2025



#### WCHS PRESENTS:

#### REP YOUR ROOTS: CULTURAL CELEBRATION & FLAG DAY!



# MONDAY JUNE 16TH

#### DURING ALL LUNCH PERIODS

#### STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE BE ABLE TO DRESS DOWN IN OUTFITS REPRESENTING THEIR CULTURE. CULTURAL FLAGS ARE CLOTHING ARE ENCOURAGED!











# **Cell Phone/Electronics Policy Pilot Reminders**

WCHS is a no phone zone.

Non-school electronics are not allowed in the building.

All cell phones must be checked upon entry. Any personal computers, iPads, tablets and other non-school issued electronics are not allowed and will be confiscated and will need to be picked up by a parent.

Students may be required to remove all electronics from their backpacks prior to scanning in.

Take the 2025 Cell Phone Policy Survey:

https://forms.gle/FWfvVFqgJf8VH5o19



# Uniform Policy "Look Good, Feel Good, Do Good"

Only WCHS Uniform polos, inspirational t-shirts, long-sleeves shirts and WCHs outerwear is allowed. Students must wear black pants or professional length shorts or skirts—no ripped or torn pants, non-black pants or sweats. Shoes must be black, green, white and/or gray.

Non-uniform outerwear must be stored in lockers or they will be confiscated.

If students are out of uniform, parents may be called to bring uniform items or student will be issued loaner items and consequences will be issued as per the Community Covenant.













#### COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA



### **OUR PRESENTER: Mr. Mark Davis** Assistant Director Office of Admissions



# THE COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC EXPRIENCE

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**Accelerated Graduate Programs** 

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- Personalized career map
- Professional development services
- Internships and career experience
- Alumni connections



# BLOOMSBURG BY THE HUBBERS

# FOUNDED IN 1839 | 7,300 TOTAL STUDENTS | 78,000 ALU

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# POPULAR PROGRAMS

- 8 Nursing
- 8 Business
- 8 Education
- Social Work
- Medical Imaging
- 8 Media and Journalism
- Health and Exercise Science
- Professional Sales and Marketing
- Digital Forensics and Cybersecurity
- Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
- American Sign Language/English Interpreting









### **Housing Options:**

- Traditional
- Suite
- Apartment Style

### **2-Year Residency Requirement**

Learning Communities

Commuting

BLOOMSBURG

# COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY: LOCK HAVEN

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»Founded in 1870 »38,000+Alumni »2600 Students



COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

POPULAR MAJORS

**Business** Education Psychology Social Work Athletic Training **Sport Management** Media and Journalism **Pre-Physician Assistant Applied Computer Science** Health and Exercise Science Health and Physical Education







# COME HOME To the haven

- Housing Options:
  - Traditional
  - Suite
  - Apartment Style
- 2-Year residency requirement
- Commuting









# COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY: MANSFIELD



# MANSFIELD OVERVIEW

>> FOUNDED IN 1857

>> 1,300 STUDENTS

>> 32,000+ ALUMNI

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# **POPULAR PROGRAMS**

Nursing Nutrition Psychology **Social Work Criminal Justice Respiratory Care Sport Management Media and Journalism Early Childhood Education** 





# HOME OF THE MOUNTIES

- Ranked #3 public university on the list of 2024 Best College Dorms in America (Niche)
- Residence halls rank #1 in Pennsylvania out of more than 100 institutions in the state (Niche)
  - 3 suite-style residence halls
  - 2-Year residency requirement
  - Commuting 30-mile radius



COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

# HOW TO APPLY

- APPLICATION FEE WAIVED BY VISITING
- COMMONWEALTH APPLICATION (NOT THE COMMON APP)
- NURSING APPLICATION PRIORITY CONSIDERATION DATE - 11/15
- TEST OPTIONAL FOR 2024-2025
  \*\* Nursing, Accelerated PA
- SUBMIT OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

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COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION AND SUBMIT YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT BY 12/15 FOR SCHOLARSHIP CONSIDERATION.

# **EXPLORE CAMPUS**

- Daily Information Sessions and Tours
- Open Houses
- Major Showcase Days
- Virtual Tours
- Social Media





And Now it's Time for a Commercial Break



# IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM Ms. MARTIN







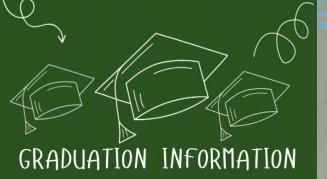
Shante Martin Grade 11 & Grade 12 Academy Leader Email: <u>smartin@thewcs.org</u>



# Important

# **TOPICS OF DISCUSSION**

- → WCHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- → SENIOR UPDATES & END OF THE YEAR REMINDERS
- → GRADUATION & WHAT TO EXPECT
- → MESSAGE FROM HUNTER COLLEGE





# Qualifying Students for Graduation

8 Credits

6 Credits

8 Credits

6 Credits

2 Credits

1 Credit

7 Credits

# NYS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

#### 44 Credits

- English:
- Mathematics:
- Social Studies:
- Science:
- Language Other Than English: 2 credits
- Art/Music:
- Physical Education: 4 Credits
- Health:
- Electives:

- **Regents Examinations (5):** 
  - 1. English
  - 2. Mathematics
  - 3. Social Studies
  - 4. Science
  - 5. Plus One

A Score of 65 is necessary to pass the examination for graduation.



# End of the Year Dates for Seniors

#### **Important Dates & Deadlines**

- June 13: Final APEX Deadline (all online coursework must be completed)
- June 17, 18 & 20: Mandatory APEX Support (8:30 AM 2:00 PM) (Required for students who haven't completed APEX by June 13)
- June 16th: Chromebooks, Locks and Textbook return. Locker cleanout.
- June 10th- June 25th: Regent Exams
- June 25: Graduation Rehearsal 8:00 AM SHARP. Please Arrive on time.
- June 26: Cap & Gown Pickup, Decorating, & Yearbook Signing (11:00 AM)
- June 27: Graduation at Hunter College Ceremony at 11:00 AM
  → Students must arrive by 8:00 AM



#### Last Day for <u>Senior Equipment Return</u> is Mon., June 16th by 7th period!

Graduating Senior Chromebook, Charger, Wifi Return: Return your items to the Teach Team in the Lobby during Lunch (periods 4-7) on Mon., 6/9-Mon., 6/16. \*\*If you have lost any of these items, you will be expected to pay a replacement fee prior to diploma pickup. \*Replacement fees for Chromebooks are \$200, \$25 for Chargers, and \$5 for locks. Payments can be made via Zelle to kfernandez@thewcs.org. Please write the student's name in the "Memo" field.

#### Last Day for <u>Senior Equipment Return</u> is Mon., 6/16 by 7th period!

Graduating Senior Equipment Return: You must return the below WCHS-issued materials prior to picking up your diploma: -WCHS chromebook -WCHS chromebook charger -WCHS wifi hotspot

Return your items to the <u>Tech Team</u> in the **Lobby during** Lunch (periods 4-7) on Mon., 6/9-Mon., 6/16.

#### Last Day for <u>Locker Clean Out</u> is Mon., June 16th by Advisory!

**Graduating Seniors:** Clean out your locker and turn in your WCHS lock to your advisor by 10am in Advisory on 6/16.

\*\* The fee for lost/damaged locks is \$5.\*\*

Start cleaning out your locker this week! Any items leftover in lockers after 6/16 will be removed & donated to charity starting Friday, 6/20.





CLASS OF 2025.

SENIOR COMMITTEE

**PICK UP** Thursday June 26th CAP DECORATING PARTY! 11AM-1PM

> Come and decorate your graduation cap with us! Supplies provided!

Senior Awards Banquet Invite Only Friday, June 13th

IMPORTANT DATES

Graduation Rehearsal June 25th 8am-12pm @ Hunter College

#### Cap & Gown Pick Up June 26<sup>th</sup> 11am @ WCHS

(Only students who have paid their dues and are on track for Graduation will receive their cap and gown)

Graduation June 27th @ Hunter College (more details to follow)

Only Seniors who meet ALL Graduation Requirements will be allowed to walk in Graduation





# WILLIAMSBURG **CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL**

The Board of Trustees, Principal and Staff of the Williamsburg Charter High School Request the honor of your presence at our Class of 2025 Commencement Ceremony

11:00am

## **FRIDA** PLEASE BE ON TIME UNE **HUNTER COLLEGE** 695 Park Ave. New York, NY 10065

Enter through 69th St. (btwn Lexington & Park Ave.)

Questions pertaining to the graduation can be sent to Ms. Charisse Johnson at cjohnson@theWCS.org.

# Graduation June 27th 11am at Hunter College

#### <u>695 Park Ave NY, NY 10065</u>

Please note, the building spans the entire block and is not located at the GPS address for the college.

Only Seniors who meet ALL Graduation Requirements will be allowed to walk in Graduation

#### <u>Message from Hunter College:</u>

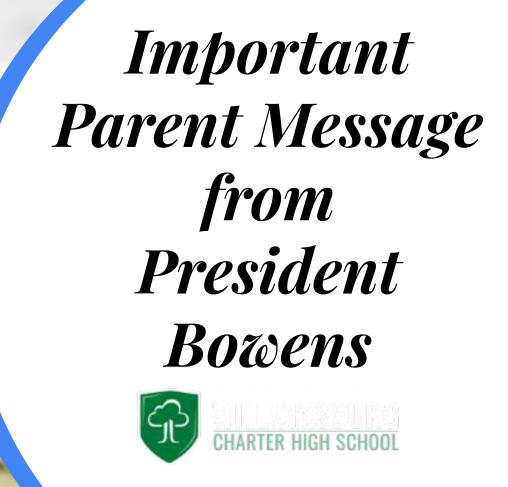
- 1. Balloons are not allowed on site.
- 2. Large posters or signs are not permitted.
- 3. Strollers are not allowed in the auditorium.
- 4. Food and beverages are not allowed in the auditorium—only bottled water.
- 5. All bags are subject to inspection.
- 6. Seating will pause during the Graduate March.
- 7. If you are not seated before the march, you will have to wait until after the march before seating resumes (NO EXCEPTIONS).

We understand that these guidelines may seem strict, but they are in place to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all attendees.

Thank you for being so cooperative.







# <u>Academy Leaders</u>

9th Grade Ms. Helliger

10th Grade Ms. Helliger

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11th Grade Ms. Martin

smartin@thewcs.org

12th Grade Ms. Martin smartin@thewcs.org

## REACH OUT TO YOUR SCHOLAR'S ACADEMY LEADER IF:

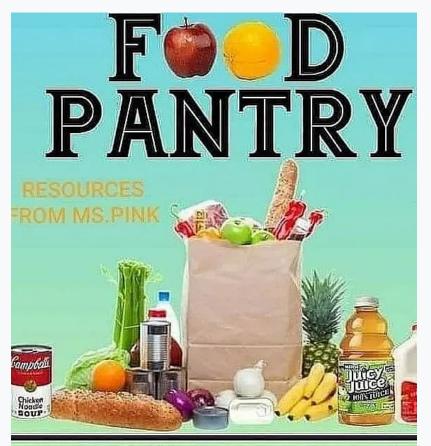
- Find out if your scholar needs to go to summer school.
- If you do not know what grade your scholar will be in next school year according to their credits.
- You do not know if your scholar is passing or failing classes.
- You know your scholar is failing and you do not know what to do about it.
- You think your scholar may have a Learning Disability, reach out to Ms. Wade at mwade@thewcs.org.

# *Community* Resources, Tips for **College Bound** Scholars & Positive Vibes from Ms. Pink



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Here For You





# Questions about your lease? Are you behind on rent? Are you in housing court?

Call 311 and ask for the

**Tenant Helpline** 

### to get free help from an NYC Tenant Support Specialist.







Are you a New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) #PublicHousing or #Section8 resident enrolled full-time at a CUNY school? You may be eligible for a \$1,000 NYCHA-CUNY Scholarship to support your studies!

Deadline to apply: June 24, 2025 Details: on.nyc.gov/nycha-cuny

#### Learn Cyber Fundamentals!



#### SNAP RECIPIENTS WELCOME Classes taught by NYS certified teachers

When: We have classes in the evenings and Saturdays (9AM-1PM)

- Where: St.Nicks Alliance Workforce, 92 Throop Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206 (J/M Train to Flushing Avenue and B/46/47/57/15 buses to Flushing Avenue)
- Contact: 718-302-2057 ext, 403, adulteducationwfd@stnicksalliance.org





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#### CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT AND MORE INFORMATION!

St.Nicks Alliance, 2 Kingsland Avenue, 2nd Floor Brooklyn, NY 11211 Where: Contact Info: 718.388.5654 Ext. 235 or Ext. 206 or email: hchire@stnicksalliance.org

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# Ms. PINK'S Tips for INCOMING **College Bound** Scholars



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# Ms. Pink's Tips for Incoming College

# Freshmans & their Families.

### 1. Time Management



Students are in class much less in college than in high school, therefore, you will need to manage your time better with studying during your down time. You will also need to manage your time with personal, work, athletic, and academic responsibilities with more free time between classes. Use a planner, calendar or app to help stay organized.







#### 2. Meet People



The first people you meet will not necessarily be your best friends. Keep meeting people throughout your first year on your floor, dorm, cafeteria, campus events, at the gym and in the classroom. The more people you meet the easier it will be to find 'your people.'

### 3. Use the Tutoring Center

You will have less daily homework and more long-term assignments, like essays, more significant projects, and more extensive tests. Utilize the tutoring center on campus to help prepare for tests and use the writing center to help write articles and papers.



### 4. Join Clubs

Join clubs that are of interest to you. You will meet people with common interests and you will gain experience in a field that you are interested in.

#### 5. Exercise

Get your rest and make sure to take care of yourself. Students need to balance their lifestyle with exercise and getting enough sleep. A short nap is a good idea for many. Hydrate too!

## 6. Meet with Faculty

Make use of faculty office hours. The better you get to know your professors, the better you will do in the class. And you never know if/when you may need a letter of recommendation from a professor! Go to faculty office hours!

## 7. Don't Overpack

Bring what you need and that's it. You do not need to bring everything all at once unless you are traveling far to college. Regardless, do not buy extra stuff for your dorm room that you do not need.



#### 8. Go to Career Services

Go to the office of career services early! Don't wait until senior year to visit this office. Go early and get help with your resume. Learn about internship and job possibilities. You can prep for interviews there as well.





# 9. How Often to Call Mom

At first you may FaceTime or call on a daily basis. Yes, always check in with your mom but set a day & time to catch up. Create a safe word too, when texting & phoning so your family would know that you need help or that something is wrong. Building independence is vital during those first few weeks of freshman year. You are going to be ok. You've got this!

## 10. Be Kind to Yourself

You will have a period of adjustment during your first semester. You will feel homesick at some point. Be kind to yourself and seek out someone to talk with, like an RA, if need be.



# **Ms. PINK'S Tips: ON HOW TO PACK FOR COLLEGE**



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# How to Pack for College:

# Ms. Pink's Tips For Your Freshman





# Label away.

With a jumbo sharpie and Frogtape, label all the various moving boxes, containers, boxes, and bags with student's name/room/dorm name. This tape sticks to everything and leaves no duct tape adhesive behind.

# Wash and pack all clothes and bedding.

#### Pack clothes in **Blue IKEA bags ( it's the #1 must have dorm item for move in day)**.

Hanging clothes can be grouped in similar length, by small bundles and tied together with a trash bag /garment bag.







# Fill plastic storage bins and drawers with lightweight clothing and misc. items.

Tape drawers shut when each space is filled completely.

# Pack shoes together.

Wines Boxes are perfect to pack shoes (empty boxes stored in front of stores for the taking), I scored a couple of heavyweight case boxes with built-in dividers for my college student. These make fantastic shoe holders.



**SPECIAL PACKING NOTE:** PACK: EXTRA LONG TWIN SIZE SHEETS, COMFORTER, MIRROR MATTRESS COVER ( CHECK MATTRESS FOR STAINS AND BED BUGS) GET TO YOUR ROOM EARLY TO SELECT YOUR SIDE OF THE ROOM. CHECK WITH YOUR COLLEGE ON ACCEPTABLE ROOM DECOR AND APPLIANCES

# College Move-In Day: Ms. Pink's Pic's That Will Save Your Life!

## 1. Ikea Storage Bags

These bags are THE secret to move-in success. Lightweight, durable, and easy to stack in the car, these bags can be used for under-bed storage, can function as a laundry bag, or can be folded and ready to be packed up when you move out your kid next spring.

# 2. <u>Four Wheel Folding</u> <u>Platform Cart</u>

A platform cart or a dolly, they're enormously helpful for getting your stuff where it needs to go. This will make college move-in day go so

much smoother!



### 3. <u>Surge Protector</u>

You can never have enough power in a dorm room and many do not allow extension cords. This surge protector has a 6-foot cord, 12 outlets, and 2 USB ports.



#### 4.<u>Fan</u>

August is a very hot month and many dorms are not air-conditioned. Bring a fan and set it up first to keep all of you a little cooler during the move-in. This one is the #1 recommended fan.



# <u>5. First Aid Kit</u>

I recommend putting together your own, with all the first aid and cough/cold medicines your family prefers. But if you want to be covered with the basics, getting a set this like will do the trick.



# <u>6. Water bottles and</u>

### <u>snacks</u>

These will come in handy, too. Since college students need to have water bottles, think about packing a new Hydro Flask water bottle that offers a wide selection of styles and sizes that are perfect for your students. For long days on campus, studying at the library, sports practice, bike rides, workouts, hiking, or walking to class, Hydro Flask water bottles are excellent for your teen — keeping drinks cold or hot for the entirety of the day.



# 7. Command Hooks and

# <u>Strips</u>

Command strips and hooks for "hanging" things on walls are very popular; they peel off easily without ruining the walls. Note: Check the "residence life" section of the college website to see if these are allowed.



# <u>8. Cleaning</u> <u>supplies /</u> Facemasks

Fill a bucket with cleaning supplies such as Clorox wipes, trash bags, and shelf liners because you may want to wipe everything down. **P.S. Don't forget to pack Facemasks, just in case.** 





# P.S. FAMILIES

Don't Forget Your College Student will need:



- → A Checking Account Go to CHASE Bank and open a College Account for your child and make sure your account is linked to theirs so you can deposit money if they have an emergency.
- → Make sure to pack School Supplies -( notebooks, pen, pencils, folders, markers and presentation boards).
- **Get a NYS State REAL ID Card.** Visit this link:<u>New York DMV | Get a non-driver ID card (ny.gov)</u>

# The Legal Documents You Need When Your Child Turns 18 What You May Need In A Medical Emergency

# 1. Health Care Proxy (also referred to as a healthcare agent or medical power of attorney, a healthcare power of attorney, or durable power of attorney for health care)

This authorizes someone to make medical decisions on your teen's behalf and it gives you access to your medical records and the ability to converse with their medical health care providers. By signing a healthcare proxy, your teen is appointing you to act on your behalf in making medical decisions in case you cannot make those decisions for yourself.

Each state has different laws that govern the execution of a healthcare proxy (state laws differ on whether a medical proxy has to be notarized or merely witnessed). And, therefore the legal form you sign will be specific to the state where it will be used. In many states, the HIPAA authorization is rolled into the standard medical proxy form. In addition, a healthcare proxy can include a Living Will or you can execute a separate document stating your wishes for end-of-life medical treatment.

#### 2. <u>HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act)</u> authorization (also called a HIPAA release)

This is a more narrow document in that it permits healthcare providers to disclose your teen's healthcare information to you or anyone they specify. This document alone will often suffice for you to get information from the health care institution treating your child. In a HIPAA authorization, a young adult can stipulate that they don't want to disclose information about sex, drugs, mental health, or other details that they prefer to keep private.

#### When You Should Get These Documents?

You should prepare these documents ahead of time because it may take time to get everything in order including notarization (although not every state requires notarization.) Once kids take off for school it may be hard to get their attention, so be mindful of that.

#### What Else Changes When Your Teen Turns 18?

When your teen reaches the age of 18, even though you may still think of them as children, under the law they have now achieved adult status. That status allows them to vote, serve in the military, serve on a jury, sign a contract, and get married without your consent. Although they still can't do certain things, like drink alcohol or rent cars, their legal status is decidedly different than it was at 17.

- 1. All males with US citizenship (with very few exceptions) **must register for the selective service** upon reaching the age of 18.
- 2. Although not required, this is a great time for your kids to **register to vote**.
- 3. When your children turn 18, you no longer automatically **have the authority to make healthcare decisions** for them. And this is true even if they are still covered by your health insurance and you are paying the bill. This means that if your child has an accident or illness and is temporarily disabled, you may need court approval to act on their behalf or even to be informed of their medical status.
- Despite the fact that you are paying for their education, the FERPA law says you no longer have access to your child's grades once they turn 18. That's right, you can call the registrar and ask to see your 18-year-old's transcript and they will not share it with you even though you're the one signing the tuition checks.



# Off to College Checklist



#### DORM ROOM

- Complete all housing information, deposits, and surveys.
- Coordinate with roommates or suitemates on who brings what (mini fridge, microwave, coffeemaker)? Is there a theme to the room?
- FaceTime roommate before move-in.
- Purchase dorm necessities, leaving optional items until after move in.
- Find dimensions of housing (on university website) and what items are provided (eg, desk chair, floor lamp...) to students, find out if the beds are loft or bunk beds.
- Find out what items are banned in the dorm.
- Read over the housing agreement to learn about the dorm rules.
- Get dorm or apartment insurance, if required.

#### LEGAL

Complete medical and financial power of attorney and HIPAA forms.

#### HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- Find local mental health providers, if needed.
- Find local health care providers, if needed.
- Will prescriptions need to be changed if they are out of state?
- Contacts/glasses prescriptions.
- Complete any health care forms.
- Check about opting out of college health insurance by providing proof of family's health insurance (missing this opt out can mean unnecessary insurance costs).
- Health and dental insurance documents.
- Check that all vaccines are up-to-date.
- Have physical and dental exams before leaving home.
- Locate the closest ER and urgent care facility and put phone numbers into phone.
- Create an Uber/Lyft account in case they need a ride to a doctor.
- Create a complete First Aid kit.

# THINGS TO KEEP DOING

Spendīng tīme wīth your loved ones Putting your happiness first Helpīng others when you can



Workīng towards your goals

Focusīng on what you can control Enjoying the little things in life



YOU ARE LOVED YOU ARE NOT A BURDEN YOU ARE A GIFT TO THIS WORLD YOU ARE MORE THAN YOUR TRAUMA YOU ARE MORE THAN ENOUGH YOU WILL MAKE IT THROUGH THIS YOU ARE NOT DONE YET YOU MATTER





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# PLC RAFFLE





# PARENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (PLC) June Father's Day PLC Raffle We will Raffle (4) **\$25 Gift Card**

PARENT MUST BE AT THE NEXT **VIRTUAL PLC MEETING** <u>JUNE 12th, 2025</u> @ 6pm to WIN



**There will be 4 Winners** ENTER NOW !! Gift Card to AMAZON RAFFLE DEADLINE IS: JUNE 10th, 2025

To enter the Raffle email the PLC at plc@thewcs.org

Include:

1. Your Full Name

- 2. Your scholar's Name, Grade & Student ID Number
  - 3. The word "POPPA"



4. If you do not follow the steps you will not be entered into the raffle , NO EXCEPTIONS!

RAFFLES ARE ONLY OPEN TO WCHS CURRENT FAMILIES. PARENT ONLY RAFFLE!

Only one entry per family. You must be present VIRTUALLY at the entire meeting for the raffle.

If you are not in attendance, another name will be drawn.

# PLC JUNE 2025 RAFFLE DRAWING!!!





# **% Thanks!**

Do you have any questions?



PLEASE REACH OUT TO US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS AT: **PLC@THEWCS.ORG** 

WE WISH YOU ALL AN AMAZING SUMMER!! CHECK YOUR EMAILS FOR SCHOOL NEWS, RESOURCES FROM Ms. PINK & SUMMER WORKSHOPS.





