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Hello Class of 2019!

Summer is coming to a rapid close and the much-anticipated senior, and final year, of high school is right around the corner! There are many things to look forward to in the coming year, and I would like to take this opportunity to outline a few things to help prepare you for senior year and beyond.

As summer ends, I encourage you to begin thinking about what you would like to do with your future. I encourage you to jot down some ideas and be prepared to discuss them, as this is the start to your life after high school and the beginning stages of reaching your goals!

Included in this mailing is a list of what you can expect during each month of your senior year. I encourage you to take a look at it and keep it in a safe place. Although we will do our best to stick to this timeline, you will find we will accomplish some things earlier and some things later. I will be visiting Senior Seminar classes throughout the school year and we will begin dissecting the college application process, along with armed services and employment preparations, and breaking down the to-do list step by step. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to email me with any questions and/or concerns.

Once you receive your schedule on Wednesday, August 29th (Locker Day), should you encounter any issues/concerns, please see me so we can ensure your senior schedule is where you need, and want, it to be.

Bookmark the High School Counseling website (www.lphscounseling.weebly.com) to find information about college representative visits, college application links, test dates, “to-do” lists, resume writing, college essay tips, scholarship information, links for Financial Aid and much more. Also, follow us on Twitter @LPHScounseling for announcements and fun tips!

*Upcoming Dates to Remember*

**Locker Day:** Wednesday, August 29th from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

**First SAT Test:** Saturday, October 6th, 2018

 Registration Deadline: September 7th, 2018

**First ACT Test:** Saturday, October 27th, 2018

 Registration Deadline: September 28th, 2018

**College Representative Visits** begin in late-September. Check with the Counseling Office and [www.lphscounseling.weebly.com](http://www.lphscounseling.weebly.com) for the schedule.

**College Night at the *SUNY Plattsburgh Fieldhouse* will be on Wednesday, October 3rd, 2018 from 6:30 to 8:00PM.** Over 400 colleges and universities will be in attendance.

**Financial Aid Night will be Wednesday, October 24th, 2018 at 6:30PM in the MHS Library**. *There will be opportunity for a “work session” to help navigate required paperwork.*

Remember, each student’s educational plan and goals are different, therefore each journey is unique and not identical to peers or siblings. Relish in this moment and know that you will find your way! I encourage you to use me as a resource and allow me to help alleviate stressors associated with this process. Senior year is not meant to be a burden, but a year full of memories and excitement, let’s continue to make this another memorable and fun year!

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to seeing you in September!

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