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Joliet West High School
401 N. Larkin Ave. Joliet, IL
Tuesday, September 25, 2012

Keynote address:
Mr. Patrick Sullivan
"10 Things to Consider for the College Application Process"

After the keynote speaker, please choose three of the following sessions and attend them during times slots A, B, and C.

Session A	6:50 – 7:15 pm
Session B	7:25 – 7:50 pm
Session C	8:00 – 8:25 pm

College, Career, and Military

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SESSIONS DESIGNATED BY GRADE LEVEL:
FRESHMAN (9), SOPHOMORE (10), JUNIOR (11), SENIOR (12)

Session A 6:50 -7:15 pm
Session B 7:25-7:50 pm
Session C 8:00-8:25 pm

1. ***College Scholarships:*** **Sandra Fredrickson and Christine Austin—Guidance Counselors (E158-E159) (11, 12)**
College is expensive. Many families believe they will not be able to pay for their child's college education. Attend this session and learn the basics about Financial Aid and applying for scholarships. You will also get access to invaluable resources to aid in the scholarship search.

2. ***Career Cruising:*** **Melanie Palmer—Guidance Counselor, Jenny Govani—Joliet Junior College (B111) (9, 10)**
Career Cruising is a tool used by the Joliet West Guidance Department and advisories. Learn about the benefits of the program and access links including college searches, scholarships, resume building, and much more.

3. ***College Applications 101*****: Roger Plechaty—Guidance Counselor, Greg Thompson—Dean of Students (B104-B106) (11, 12)**
Applying to college can be overwhelming. Students and parents are often confused and don't know where to begin. Attend this session and learn about the steps to successfully complete college applications, obtain letters of recommendation, and write college essays.

4***. Substance Abuse and Social Issues Affecting High School and College Students: Sara Gomez—Robert Crown*****, (B102) (9, 10, 11, 12)**
This session will highlight the dangers of substance abuse in regards to high school and college students. Social issues that students face and invaluable resources and supports within the community will also be presented.

5. ***AP Honors:*** **Albert Brass – Dean of Students, Alexshea Conn – Counselor (B113-B115) (9, 10, 11, 12)**
Wondering if AP classes are right for you or your student? Through AP's college-level courses and exams, students can earn college credit, save money for college, and stand out in the admission process. Attend this session to learn more about the benefits of the Advanced Placement Program and the classes offered at Joliet West.

6. ***Choosing an Academ*****y: Terri Schrishuhn and Melissa Stapleton—Academy Coordinators (B103) (9)**
Learn about Joliet's West's academy structure and the benefits it provides our students. In addition, an explanation of the academies—Health and Medicine, Arts and Communication, STEM (Science Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), Human Services, and Business Information Management Systems—will be provided.

(more sessions listed on reverse side)

7. ***Job Shadowing***: **Carol Collins—Project Director (E155) (10)**
This presentation is for parents of students who are in grade 10 and were unable to attend the job shadowing informational meeting on 9/4/2012. It will include an explanation of the process and its relationship to the English 2 requirement. The options for completing job shadowing will be explained and resources within the community will also be provided.

8. ***EPAS and PSAE/ACT Prep***: **Shad Hallihan and Jeff Clinton - Assistant Principals (B107) (9, 10, 11, 12)**
EXPLORE? PLAN? ACT? Attend this session and learn about standardized assessments given at every grade level and develop a better understanding of the score reports and how to use them to prepare for post-secondary endeavors. Opportunities to prepare for the ACT will also be provided.

9. ***Home Access Training*: Stacy Gonzales – Academy Coordinator (B138) (9, 10, 11, 12)**
Learn the benefits of using HAC and keeping track of your student's progress and attendance.

10. ***1:1 Technology***: **Amy Malizia, Mike O'Shea-English Teachers (E143) (9)**
This session will provide information about student devices, specifically how they are used in the classroom. Parents will discover how OneNote is incorporated into classroom instruction, as well as the JT Learn site that students use on a daily basis to access assignments, post discussions, and submit work. Helpful hints to maintain the device will also be shared, as well as some additional tools students can use to create multimedia projects.

11. **STAR JJC**-***Special Education and 504:*** **Peggy Doom (E154) (9, 10, 11, 12)**
This session will explain the variety of special education services that are offered at Joliet Junior College through the Star Program.

12. ***Student Loan Debt:*** **Allison Deninger—First American Bank (Little Theater) (9, 10, 11, 12)**
This session will provide information about financing college and student loan debt.

13. ***Safety in the Digital Age:*** **Eric Patnoudes—Instructional Technologist (E151) (9)**
Parents and guardians are very concerned about their student's digital lives. This session will empower parents with guidance and tips on how to keep their kids safe online.

14. ***NCAA/NAIA: Christine Lipke – Guidance Counselor (Media Center) (9, 10)***
Are you or your student planning to participate in sports at the collegiate level? This session will introduce student- athletes and their parents to the NCAA and NAIA eligibility of first-time student-athletes (NCAA – National Collegiate Athletic Association. NAIA – National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics).