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Dear Seniors & Parents,

Welcome to the start of an exciting year! Below is an important update from the Guidance Department:

Counselors met with seniors during a recent school assembly where they announced that they will visiting English classes on Sept. 26th and 27th to help them log on to the Common Application, to link it to Naviance. This will allow college applications to be processed electronically. If your senior has already started the Common Application, please have them come prepared this week with the Log On information. If they have not already created a Common Application account, we will create one in class with them. It would be helpful if those students who have not yet created a Common Application account, come prepared with a "professional" email account. (ex. first name.last name@gmail.com instead of supergirl25@gmail.com)

We encourage both seniors and parents to attend either of the following expos/fairs:

(1) **NCA COLLEGE EXPO** this coming Saturday, Sept. 14th from 12-3pm at the Clark Athletic Center at SUNY Old Westbury. You can register on-line in advance at [www.gotocollegefairs.com](http://www.gotocollegefairs.com). You will be able to print out a barcoded pass that captures student data for the College Representatives to scan. For many colleges, this information is used to track interest in their college which can be an important factor during the application review.

(2) **NACAC National College Fair** on Sunday, Sept. 15th from 11:00 – 3:00 pm at Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Uniondale. You can register at [www.gotomyncf.com](http://www.gotomyncf.com) for a personal bar code. When you visit the college booths, the reps will scan your bar code, automatically accessing your information.

Attending a fair is also a great opportunity to learn about new schools and to meet with the very college representatives who will be reviewing your applications. Be sure to ask them for their business card for future contact when you visit their booth!

On Wednesday, September 18th, we will be hosting a very important Senior & Parent College Information Night starting promptly at 7pm in the HS. We will also be setting up seniors and parents on REMIND to communicate important deadlines during senior year. We hope to see both seniors AND parents there!

Please print out the attached Senior Calendar of important dates and be sure to take advantage of these informative upcoming events!

We hope you have a great senior year!

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