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PRINCIPAL

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Good evening graduates...congratulations on your attainment of a very important milestone in your lives. This evening's commencement gives us an opportunity to reflect on the tremendous accomplishments that the class of 2019 has attained. This is an important milestone for each and every one of you. I have always believed that when you reach a critical point in your life, such as this day, it is important to pause and look back on the journey that you have taken so you have a better understanding of how you got to where you are today. I guess maybe it is the History teacher in me that makes me think about our collective past and the impact that past has on our future.

When reflecting and looking back on your journey,

I remembered a poem entitled "The Dash" by Linda Ellis that was shared with me years ago ... It goes something like this...

*I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend.*

*He referred to the dates on her tombstone
From the beginning...to the end.*

*He noted that first came her date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears.*

*But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years.*

*For that dash represents all the time
That she spent alive on earth.*

*And now only those who loved her
Know what that little line is worth.*

...and on that note ...

*For it matters not
how much we own;
The cars...the house...the cash
What matters is how we live and love
And how we spend our dash.*

*So think about this long and hard.
Are there things you'd like to change?*

*For you never know how much time is left
That can still be rearranged.*

*If we could just slow down enough
To consider what's true and real,*

*And always try to understand
The way other people feel.*

*And be less quick to anger
And show appreciation more*

*And love the people in our lives
Like we've never loved before.*

*If we treat each other with respect
And more often wear a smile*

*Remembering that this special dash
Might only last awhile.*

*So when your eulogy's being read
With your life's actions to rehash*

*Would you be proud of the things they say
About how you spent your dash...*

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Schaumburg High School, I would like to congratulate the Class of 2019 and wish you the very best in all of your future endeavors. May your DASH be filled with happiness, love, and fulfillment.

Thank You

Forever a SAXON,

Timothy Jay Little
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2019

Congratulations to the Class of 2019. Four hundred eighty seven seniors proudly marched across the stage to receive diplomas at the 47th Annual Commencement Exercise on Tuesday, May 21. The graduates have focused on academic achievement, have been involved in extracurricular activities, cared for others, and maintained a focus on their future. Their academic excellence resulted in over 8.2 million dollars in scholarships. The Class of 2019 is well prepared to move on to the next phase of their lives.

The leadership and support of the Senior Class Executive Board has been very much appreciated. These class leaders successfully guided the Class of 2019 through decorating the hallway for Homecoming and assisting with the senior panoramic photo, senior picnic, brunch, and graduation practice. This year's Senior Executive Board members consist of Jessica Gerena, Alexa Gonzalez, Rashini Jayawardena, Tahzeeb Khan, Cassidy Leno, Shivani Patel, Mona Pudasaini, and Elizabeth Sodimu..

The senior class sponsors are Mrs. Becker and Mrs. Casamassimo.



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- April Senior of the Month – Chalisa Kulprathipanja
- May Senior of the Month – Joaquin Lainson

BOYS GYMNASTICS: BACK TO BACK UNDEFEATED CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS & SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

Individual Sectional Champions:

- Brandon Nyborg- Rings, All Around
- Oscar Kulesza- Parallel Bars

State Qualifiers:

- Oscar Kulesza- Floor, Pommel Horse, Still Rings, Parallel Bars, High Bar, All Around
- Brandon Nyborg- Floor, Horse, Rings, Vault, Parallel Bars, High Bar, All Around
- Nathan Frank- Pommel Horse, Parallel Bars, High Bar
- Trent Ramirez-Pommel Horse

GIRLS BADMINTON:

Sectional Doubles Champions:

- Victoria Wang, Lora Kusaku

State Qualifiers:

- Victoria Wang, Lora Kusaku-Doubles
- Gen Bellinger, Angela Lee-Doubles

PAY BUS RIDER INFORMATION

Bus transportation for students who reside within 1.5 miles is available at a cost of \$200.00 per year. In order to assure seating and develop the most efficient bus routes and schedules, the transportation department needs to know the residence location of each student to be transported well before the start of school; therefore, **reservations for pay bus rider seating must be received no later than July 1, 2019. Reservations received after July 1, 2019 are subject to a \$35.00 late registration fee.** For more information or for reservation forms contact the Transportation Office at: 847-755-6796.

SPRING ATHLETIC ACADEMIC AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following Spring I.H.S.A. Achievement Award and M.S.L. All Academic Award recipients. I.H.S.A. Achievement Award recipients are seniors and juniors who have a cumulative 3.5 or better G.P.A. and M.S.L. All Academic Award recipients are seniors who have maintained a cumulative 3.0 or better G.P.A.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 4	First Semester Summer School Begins	August 6	Freshman Kick-Off – 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
June 26	Second Semester Summer School Begins	August 12	Event for Incoming Freshmen only
July 4	Building Closed	August 14	First Day of School
July 22 – August 6	Walk-in Registration		IHSA Fall Sports Begin

SCHAUMBURG HIGH SCHOOL SUSAN CONVERSE | DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE 2019

Schaumburg High School's Distinguished Graduate for the 2018-2019 school year is Susan Converse from the class of 1977. Mrs. Converse was selected because of her outstanding work as an educator in the Edwardsville School District. After graduating from Schaumburg High School, Susan attended Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville and earned her Bachelor's Degree in journalism. However, after working for a few years as a newspaper reporter for two Edwardsville newspapers, Susan changed her career path and obtained her Special Education certification and began her career as an educator in the Edwardsville School District. For the last 24 years, Susan has been instrumental in impacting the lives of thousands of students, especially her Special Education students in her functional life skills classes. In these classes, Susan provides her students with the necessary tools and self-confidence to lead independent lives and to be positive contributors in the community. Susan's revolutionary vision and drive led her to create a coffee shop at Edwardsville High School called the Tiger's Den run exclusively by her functional life skills students. Over the past two years, the Tiger's Den Coffee Shop has donated more than \$10,000 to families in need and has supported community initiatives which promote inclusion of individuals with disabilities.

Not only is Susan Schaumburg High School's recipient of the Distinguished Graduate Award this year, but she was also recognized as the Illinois State Board of Education Teacher of the Year. The Distinguished Graduate Committee strongly believes that Susan Converse exemplifies the standards of excellence that make Schaumburg High School proud to claim her as a distinguished graduate.

3.0 MSL ACADEMIC AWARD RECIPIENTS

Brody Adelman, Kaila Alvarez, Munkh-Erdene Batbold, Olivia Bugajny, Michelle Candotti, Lindsey Carpenter, Cedric-Jay Celino, Tatiana Cooper, Kailey Cordova, Veronica Cussen, Brianna Dietz, Dhyey Dixit, Lucas Dudek, Olivia Dussel, Joseph Fink, Elianna Fisher, Megan Gale, Youana Habib, Kayle Heumann, Rashini Jayawardena, Mikeelie Jensen, Rahul Kalakuntla, Peter Kandefer, Jichan Kim, Chalisa Kulprathipanja, Emily Lazarevic, Kyra Lewis, Cole Mache, Olivia Masi, Corinne McCormick, Daniel Meister, Parth Mohanty, Amaan Mohiuddin, Austin Morales-Sanchez, Sage Morton, Megan Pasquarelli, Dev Patel, Trent Ramirez, Ryan Regier, Monica Rogalski, Tiffani Rudnick, Pranay Singh, Tyler Slome, Elizabeth Joy Sodimu, Jonathan Sorg, Thomas Stephens, Jamie Stephens, Justin Tsai, Sarah Tudor, Karlie Vezzetti, Audrey Warner, Aleksandra Wiacek, Jacqueline Williams, Hannah Wishnew

3.5 IHSA ACADEMIC AWARD RECIPIENTS

Brody Adelman, Mona Akimoto, Madison Ardagh, Rhea Arora, Genevieve Bellinger, Isabella Borla, Veronica Campbell, Lindsey Carpenter, Matthew Collier, Veronica Cussen, Joshua Czarniak, Dhyey Dixit, Olivia Dussel, Mitchell Eisenmenger, Megan Gale, Evelyn George, Molly Greenberg, Youana Habib, Vanesa Herrera, Mary Hilgart, Lucas Holbek, Ali Husain, Rashini Jayawardena, Chloe Jones, Vineeth Kalister, Pureunsol Kim, Albert Kiszka, Nicholas Kolasa, Nicole Kolodziej, Chalisa Kulprathipanja, Lora Kusaku, Angela Lee, Rosemary Mascarenhas, Daniel Meister, Jillian Mininni, Parth Mohanty, Austin Morales-Sanchez, Ryan Regier, Brendan Rodatz, Giancarlo Sarasti, Kevin Schneider, Arihant Shah, Kathryn Smith, Elizabeth Joy Sodimu, Lynda Steen, Victoria Treni, Daniel Velazquez, Stephanie Wayda, Hannah Wishnew

INCOMING FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

Incoming freshman students and their parents are invited to participate in a summer orientation program with high school counselors. During this program, students will gain an understanding of the curriculum, student services, and school activities. Guided tours of the school and facilities will be available for parents and students at this time.

Specific information about incoming freshman summer orientation is available on the SHS website or call 847-755-4630.

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TOP 10 PIECES OF ADVICE FOR COLLEGE TOURS...

The responsibility of visiting the campus, perhaps the most important part of the college selection process clearly is on the shoulders of the student and the parents. But don't despair, for help is arriving: Here is a top 10 list, popularized by a late-night television host who shall remain nameless. Ladies and gentlemen: The top 10 pieces of advice for visiting colleges.

Number 10

Your counselor stands at the ready, armed with college grads, loaded with computer software, burdened with shelf after overcrowded shelf of catalogues. And still we get Sally who is going to visit State U. because Aunt Martha told her that Josie really liked it there. The first rule is: Make informed decisions. This starts with researching thoroughly before you leave, with the help of an expert!

Number 9

Vary the size of the schools you visit. Ideally, counselees and their parents should plan to see at least three sizes – small (up to 3,000), medium (3,000 – 10,000) and large/extra large (beyond 10,000) to properly gauge at which they feel most comfortable and maybe more importantly, if size should be a factor at all.

Number 8

Even if you don't get that magical school in that state far, far away, you can still visit a number of schools in a short time.

Here's how:

Go on school holidays - Columbus Day and Veterans Day weekends in the fall afford the quick, three-day trip when high schools aren't in session, but colleges generally are. Most schools give Saturday tours.

See a couple, maybe three – Many times you can view one in the morning and another in the afternoon, or the next day. Get those maps out.

School-sponsored vehicles – More schools are coming out to metropolitan areas with vans and buses and picking up interested students at convenient locales for trips to campus at very low costs. Ask your counselor about these.

Number 7

Take your Parents – Yes, I know it won't be as much fun as driving up there with your friends, but, face it: Your friends aren't paying mega bucks over the next four or five years in the hope that you will study enough to get that sheepskin. Your parents wouldn't buy a house sight unseen; neither are they going to invest in your future without a clue.

Number 6

Take the tour – Sorry, drive-throughs just don't cut it. Here's how you do it: Call the admissions office; tell them you're a high school student who would like to come for a visit. Most schools have tours either "on the hour" or one in the morning. They will usually send you a confirmation with parking and lodging information.

Before you go, get an unofficial transcript from your high school, which reflects your grades, class rank, and possibly your test scores. Someone from the admissions office will probably be able to give you a quick analysis of your likelihood of being admitted.

The tours are generally led by upperclassmen who have been trained to know just about everything about the school and can give you all this information while walking backward through campus. They'll take you through most of the classroom buildings and recreational

facilities, the Union, and probably a dorm or two.

Number 5

Visit your major – This part isn't for everyone. For students who are undecided about exactly which major to pursue, this might be a good time to write down your impressions of the school, or revisit a building of interest.

Those of you who have a good idea that a specific major is in your future will probably want to visit that department and talk with professors, students in that field, or both. Usually a short tour of the facility is also included.

Number 4

Ask good questions – Good in this case means appropriate queries about a typical freshman class size, how competitive the academics are, opportunities for study abroad, ethnic makeup of campus, number of fraternities and sororities, and the assigning of roommates are just samples of the literally hundreds of good questions one could ask. Most counselors have a list of appropriate questions for both students and parents to ask, which not only will give a great thumbnail sketch of the school, but also make you all seem very smart in the process! Finally, remember to ask the same questions at the next school, so you have a basis of comparison.

Number 3

Leave your parents – Not for good, mind you, but now it's time for the ways to part. Synchronize your watches to meet at the car in about an hour.

Students – Go to the Union, get a Coke, talk about what your room is going to look like, time a walk from the dorm to campus, read the handouts on the kiosk (that information post in the quad), talk with some students, imagine yourself at this school.

Parents – Walk over to the financial aid office and find out what it's really going to cost, check out the campus security system, talk about what his room is going to look like, check out parent visitation days, read a school newspaper, find the washing machines in the dorms, (notice how unused they look!), imagine him/her at this school. Then, return to the car.

Number 2

Review the school – Take it from a person of experience, you must review now. Counselors can supply you with comparative checklists where you can cite all those factors like size, location, and selectivity of admission, curriculum, housing, security, and facilities, which you deem important. As with the questions on the tour, it is important to compare using the same criteria.

End your discussion with each person's top three to five likes and dislikes about the school.

And Number 1

Trust your feelings – Here it is. The moment of truth. When counselees are asked why they picked that school, many, many times the answer comes back: "Because it felt right." Nothing more scientific than that. The parents are usually over there, nodding, because they know it felt right, too. So much for having a system! Whether you use all these suggestions, or none, the importance of making informed decisions in the college selection process cannot be overemphasized. Nowhere is that more important than in the planning and taking of a comprehensive college visit.

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS - JUNIORS

Schaumburg High School and District 211 have partnered with Parchment to allow students to send out their transcripts electronically. All of our student transcripts will be processed through this electronic process.

Juniors were sent log in information to their school email accounts and counselors met with their students to establish their Parchment accounts. Contact your student's counselor if you have any questions.

FALL ATHLETIC REMINDER:

Any student interested in trying out for a fall athletic team must complete the online registration found on the Schaumburg athletic web site and have a current physical on file with the school nurse by **THURSDAY, August 1, 2019** in order to be cleared in time for the start of fall athletics.

HONORS CONVOCATION

The annual Awards Night Convocation was held on April 29. The class of 2019 has earned an impressive amount of scholarship money. Nick Kostalek, College Counselor, announced that as of April 29, 2019, seniors have been awarded more than \$8,200,000 of college scholarship money. In addition to the post-secondary scholarships awarded, a number of academic honors were presented in the following categories:

- Senior Academic Honors
- Illinois State Scholars
- Department Awards for Outstanding Seniors

Applied Technology

Brody Adelman
Robert Budak
Andrew Flight

Art

Baigalmaa Gansukh
Sydney Holmberg

Business Education

Ximena Gomez-Rios
Leonidas Vokolos

English

Karly Balslew
Julia Skibinski

ESL

John Agustin
Viridiana Rabadan

Family & Consumer Science

Taylor Comerford
Ashley Lindemann

Mathematics

Mia Muniz
Thomas Schluckbier

Music

Jake Long
Daniel Monzon

Physical Education

Cedric Celino
Kaylee Kalvig

Science

Austin Morales-Sanchez
Giselle Soares

Social Studies

Stefanie Portillo
Olivia Swiech

Student Services

Jeremy Hyman
Sage Morton
Brittney Parks
Tarek Samara

World Language

Andrew Amouzou
Logan Velasco

ADVICE FOR COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENTS

Packing 101

Clothes, appliances, furniture, room decorations – figuring out what and how much of it to lug to school can really try a student's sanity. Here are some packing suggestions from the staff of the Yale Daily News, authors of Kaplan's books by students for students. While clothing is a must-have item, these other not-so-obvious items have all been known to come in handy:

- Bathroom and medicine chest items: Toothpaste, toothbrushes, razor blades, shaving cream, soap, soap dish, shampoo, conditioner, something to carry it all to the shower in, deodorant, blow dryer, hairbrush, tweezers, nail clipper, nail file, emery boards, brush, mirror, tissues, cotton balls, Q-tips, TP, glasses, contact solution, prescription medication in original containers, pain relievers, sun block, moisturizer, Band-Aids, first aid kit.
- Electronics and appliances: Light bulbs, desk lamp, bed lamp, alarm clock, clock-radio, CDs, TV, computer-printer, refrigerator, microwave, can/bottle opener, hotpot, fan, camera, three 2-prong adapters, extension cords, surge protector.

- For your bed: Extra-long sheets, pillowcases, and pillows, study pillow, comforter, mattress pad.
- Miscellaneous room items: Mirror, bulletin board, bookshelves, wastepaper basket, picture hooks, hammer, nails, screws, Crazy Glue, stick-up hooks, utensils, plates, cups or mugs, drying rack, iron/ironing board, laundry bag, detergent, closet organizer, clothes basket, hangers, hook for laundry bag.
- Desk items and academic supplies: Backpack, pens, pencils, sharpener, notebooks, clipboard, highlighter, memo board for door or desk, envelopes, stamps, stationery, address book, scissors, paper clips, rubber bands, Scotch tape, hole puncher, ruler, calculator, pocket and desk calendars, paper, staples, stapler and staple remover, dictionary, thesaurus, style guide, book of quotations.
- Campus Fire Safety: <http://shs.d211.org/campus-fire-safety/>

Adapted from the Yale Daily News Guide to Succeeding in College by Shaheena Ahmad.

NEW INFINITE CAMPUS PARENT AND STUDENT MOBILE APPS

Infinite Campus, District 211's Student Information System, is continually evolving to meet the needs of our students and parents. Infinite Campus recently launched an update to its parent and student interfaces. The new mobile apps (<https://www.infinitecampus.com/video/mobile-apps>), *Campus Parent* and *Campus Student*, provide real-time access to grades, assignments, attendance, schedules, announcements, and more while bringing uniformity and consistency to the user experience regardless of the device.

District 211 will convert all existing Infinite Campus parent portal accounts to the Campus Parent system and student portal accounts to the Campus Student system on Monday, June 3, 2019.

The *Campus Student* app has been placed in the self-service portal for

students to download and install on their school-issued iPads. Parents can find the free *Campus Parent* app in the App Store (iOS) and Google Play (Android) and are encouraged to install the app on their devices so they can access the information available within Infinite Campus. The existing Parent Portal and Student Portal apps will be removed from service in June 2019. All users will continue to access the online browser-based web portal at the same address, with the same login credentials, but will see a different look.

Experienced Infinite Campus users will notice some differences when utilizing the new mobile apps or online web portal. Certain features have been renamed and some items have moved to new locations. District 211 has prepared a brief video tutorial highlighting the Campus Parent online web portal and app, and you can view the video on the District website.