



PHIL-MONT SENIOR NEWSLETTER

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you
hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

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COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

The college acceptance letters are in, and most students have made **their selections**. If I have missed one, please let me know. Please be in prayer for our seniors as they continue working through their financial aid packages.

Seniors, please let me know the exact names and amount of any scholarships you have received to the college you will be attending. This information is needed for the Senior Breakfast and for the graduation bulletin.

- **Alizée Berdoulat** **Université de Genève (University of Geneva)**
- **Jonelle Caison** **Campbell University**, Temple University, University of Rhode Island, Wilkes University, and University of Pittsburgh
- **Andrew Chez** **Messiah College**
- **Savoy Collier** **Jefferson University**, The University of Scranton, University of Pittsburgh, and Western New England University
- **Hudson Crabtree** **Temple Fox School of Business and Management**, and Drexel University
- **Josiah Cumens** **Drexel University**, and Temple University
- **Na'yalaijah Fournillier** **Albright College**, and Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- **Gabriella Gider** **Jefferson University**
- **David Gilchrist** **Montgomery County Community College**
- **Sarah Holland** **The Beauty Institute - Schwarzkopf Professional**
- **Jeremiah Hooks** **Penn State University**, Central State University, La Salle University, and Rutgers University
- **Jael Jackson** **South Carolina State University**, Alvernia University, Bowie State University, Chestnut Hill College, Jefferson University, Kutztown University, Penn State, Millersville University, and University of Maryland Eastern Shore

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS (Cont.)

- **Evan Li** [Rutgers University](#), University of San Diego
- **Daniel McKay** [Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute](#)
- **Deyshia Nock** [Old Dominion University](#), Temple University, and University of Delaware
- **Joel Schneider** [Auburn University](#), Rochester Institute of Technology, Villanova University, and Geneva College
- **Christopher Sellers** [Temple University](#), Howard University, Jefferson University, and East Stroudsburg University
- **Micah Shaw** [Grove City College](#), Cedarville University, and Geneva College
- **Maxwell Vance** [University of Pittsburgh](#), Cornell University, Johns Hopkins University, and Penn State Schreyer Honors College

Now that you have prayerfully made your decision as to which college you will attend, please be sure to let the other schools where you have been accepted know you won't be attending. Do it quickly because you will be freeing up a spot for another student who is on a waiting list.

I automatically send final transcripts to colleges in June so you do not have to call me to do this. However, if you have an envelope or paperwork that needs to accompany the transcript, please bring it to my office.

COMPARE YOUR AID AWARDS

College Board has provided a helpful tool for comparing financial aid awards from multiple institutions. Check it out:



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AP EXAMS

AP Exams are given in the first two weeks of May. Succeeding on an AP Exam is mostly about working hard in an AP class, but it also involves knowing what to expect on exam day. Students can learn everything they need to know about taking the exams, from signing up to showing up, on the College Board's website.

Exam	Exam Date
English Literature and Composition	May 9 (8:00am)
United States History	May 11 (8:00am)
Studio Art: 2D Design	May 11 (12:00noon)
Studio Art 3D Design	May 11 (12:00noon)
Calculus AB	May 15 (8:00am)

After you take an AP Exam, College Board sends your score report to the college or university that you designated on your answer sheet. Your score report is cumulative and includes scores for all the AP Exams you have ever taken, unless you requested that one or more scores be withheld from a college or canceled. When you go online you will be able to see your entire score report and score—send history. If you wish to send additional score reports to colleges, universities and scholarship programs you can do so online for a fee.

Your AP score shows how well you did on the AP Exam. It's also a measure of your achievement in your college-level AP course. This score will be used by colleges and universities to determine if they will grant you credit for what you've already learned, or allow you to skip the equivalent course once you get to college (this is known as advanced placement). Your score is a weighted combination of your scores on the multiple-choice section and on the free-response section. The final score is reported on a 5-point scale as follows:

5 = extremely well qualified; 4 = well qualified; 3 = qualified;
2 = possibly qualified; 1 = no recommendation

"Qualified" means that you have proven yourself capable of doing the work of an introductory-level course in a particular subject at college. Many colleges and universities grant credit and placement for scores of 3, 4 or 5; however, each college decides which scores it will accept. To see college policies for AP scores, visit our AP Credit Policy Search. In order to be considered for credit or placement, you must send your official AP score report to the college you're planning to attend.

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IS THE WAIT LIST WORTH THE WAIT?

Wait lists are like admissions limbo. Most students are unsure how to proceed. There is no right or wrong direction, but a look at wait list statistics may help students make the right choice.

Approximately one-third of all schools use wait lists; on average, 27% of students who stay on the wait list are eventually offered enrollment.

Below are some tips for students who choose to stay on the wait list:

- Inform the school that he/she wants to remain on the wait list. (If the school provided a postcard for this purpose, he/she should complete and send it back.)
- Write a letter to the admissions office emphasizing his/her desire to attend. Keep the school updated on any recent achievements—academic milestones, awards, etc., that would enhance his/her application.
- Schedule a visit and request an interview. An interview will demonstrate his/her interest in attending and give him/her a personal contact in the admissions office.
- Reconsider the schools where he/she was accepted.

from the AES Counselors Corner

NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE

Remember that athletes who intend to play Division 1 or 2 sports in college must register online with the NCAA Clearinghouse to verify their eligibility.

Students who plan to enroll full time at an NCAA Division I or II school this fall (2018) will be able to request their final amateurism certification. Students must have a registered Certification Account and an enrollment period of Fall 2018 to request. You can find more information about amateurism certification on the NCAA's website.



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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

If you go to <http://weeklyscholarshipalert.com> you will receive 1-5 emails a week about various scholarship offers. There is no charge and they do not gather information other than your name and email address.

Here are a number of other valuable scholarship resource websites to explore:

