

**...highly visible darlings of the press discontinue “early” admissions programs...**

Submitted by: Bill Mason, Director of College Counseling, St. Mark’s School

Three highly visible darlings of the press undergraduate admissions offices (Harvard, Princeton, and University of Virginia) all discontinued their “early” admissions programs for the 2007 – 08 cycle. They state the primary rationale for this dramatic change in options is the following:

1. the desire to lessen pressure and anxiety on the high school seniors and their families;
2. the intention to make highly selective admissions a more “fair” process;
3. the initiative to not disadvantage families from the lower end of the socio-economic ladder.

Each admissions office further stated they hope “early” programs at other colleges will follow suite and be dismantled as well.

As a secondary school counselor working in the trenches with kids and families every day, I doubt few, if any, other institutions will follow suit, and these changes could actually serve to increase rather than decrease family anxiety. WHY?

1. “Early” programs have been successfully in place for over 50 years. I can recall serving on the Yale admissions staff in the late 60’s, and regularly giving preferential acceptances verbally to seniors as early as September with not an application having been filed.
2. The above 3 school attract an elite, tiny, self-selected applicant pool, relative to all seniors from around the world applying to American colleges. So they are not an indicative group of how main stream families will act. In no way do these schools appeal to the typical college-bound senior.
3. The yield on accepted students to these 3 colleges is far higher than most. Other colleges cannot afford to lose an Early Decision cohort pre-agreeing to enroll.
4. Sophisticated admissions marketing plans are in place at most admissions offices and are based entirely on institutional self interest. Students agreeing to enroll early are an important factor in the plan.
5. Any admissions office that wants to, can limit the % of the freshman class accepted ED, thus saving ample places for less advantaged families who don’t know/apply “early.”
6. With these 3 colleges waiting till April of the senior year to notify all applicants, the anxiety level in families is likely to be accelerated because of the long wait for the decision.
7. If ED financial aid packages are inadequate as judged by the family, my experience is that admissions directors release the student from ED while maintaining the acceptance and aid award until May 1.

For one of the most rational, well-reasoned statements confirming the utility of ED, and how dismantling it would have little to no positive effect on family fears, stress, and anxiety, read the October 2006 Dartmouth Report to Secondary Schools authored by Karl Furstenberg.

**A College Impressions Note:**

It has been the experience of this person that the ED programs have provided a positive service to students who have done their home work and who are ready to commit themselves to a specific college, early in the process. The ED and EA offer a benefit to those students who are focused, prepared and who know why they want to attend “Old Bula Bula U.” The benefit is twofold: the student is off the admissions hook, so to speak, and the admitted student is first in line for financial aid scrutiny. Waiting for the admissions board to render a decision can cause significant stress for the student (and mom and dad). I can remember the senior “zombies” roaming the secondary school corridors in February and March waiting for the thick envelope to arrive. Yes, waiting is a part of the senior rite of passage but is it necessary and the worry and trepidation is real and greatly exacerbated with the reception of a thick envelope from “Boola Boola Boo U.” by a classmate. Being first in line would provide unhurried scrutiny. That’s an advantage.

**Five Ways To Reduce Financial Burden Associated With Going To College source: web**

1. Reduce expenses -- live at home -- take accelerated programs -- don’t use credit cards
2. Keep looking for scholarships - be sure you are getting the best deal on loans.
3. Buy cheaper text books - purchase used textbooks and swaps Check the web –amazon.com, etc.
4. Work - part time - food service is always looking for help & if you work there you just might be able to dine there.

**Changes in Education in 40 years**

Source: Chronicle of Higher Education, Nov. 24, 06

1966		Now
2,329	Number of colleges & universities	4,216
6,390,000	Total college enrollment	17,648,000
40%	Percentage of college students are women	58%
\$1,456	Average Tuition & Required Fees at Private 4 Year Institutions	\$22,218
\$360	Average Tuition at Public 4 year Institutions	\$5,836

**OPEN HOUSE NOTICES February, 2007**

Code: OH = Open House Program ON = Overnight Program  
IS = Information Session TBA = To Be Announced

Suggestion: When responding regarding attendance, confirm the date/time and place of the meeting.

Adelphi U., Garden City, NY Feb. 10, 19, 22 -Information Session-, call (800) ADELPHIA

Albright Col., Reading, PA, Feb. 19 -Multi Cultural Day- call Lisa Blunt (610) 921-7266  
American International Co., Springfield, MA., week of Feb. 19 to 23 -College for a Day-, call (800) 242-3142  
Bay Path Col., Longmeadow, MA., Feb. 11 -OH- Feb. 20 & 21 -ON-, call (800) 782-7284  
Bay State Col., Boston, MA. Jan. & Feb. -Saturday IS- 9 am to 1 pm, See Special Program Section, call (800) 81 LEARN  
Boston Architectural Center, Boston, MA, Feb. 5 -OH- 6 pm, call (617) 262-5000  
Boston Col., Chestnut Hill, MA, Feb. 5 to Mar. 2-Eagle Eye Sessions-, Feb. 16 Eagle Eye for Xfer Students, call (800) 360-2522  
Bridgeport, U. of, Bridgeport, CT, Feb. 24 -OH-, call (800) EXCEL-UB  
Bridgewater Col., Bridgewater, VA., Feb. 17 -OH- 8:30 am to 1:30 pm, call (800) 759-8382  
Bryant U., Smithfield, RI, will host a number of admissions programs, see Special Program Section-, call (800) 622-7001  
Carnegie-Mellon U., Pittsburg, PA, Feb. 4, 18 & 23 -School Of Art & Design, Portfolio Review-, call (412) 282-2082  
Case Western U., Cleveland, OH, Feb. 19 -Experience Case- 9 am to 3 pm, call (800) 967-8898  
Champlain Col., Burlington, VT, Feb. 3,10,17-Spring Saturday- 11am to 1 pm, call (800) 570-5858  
Culinary Inst. of America, Hyde Park, NY, Feb. 16 -OH high school stud.- 9 am, Feb. 13 -OH adults- 2 pm, call (800) CULINARY  
Colby Sawyer Col., New London, NH, Feb. 15 & 21-Preview Days-, 9 am to 1 pm, call (800) 272-1015  
Colorado State U., Ft. Collins, CO, Feb. 16 -Colorado State Showcase- 8 am to 3 pm, call (970) 491-1058  
Cornell U., Ithaca, NY, Feb. 18 -Spring Red Carpet Prog.- preference to high school juniors- call (607) 255-4833  
C.W. Post, L.I.U., Greenvale, NY., Feb. 7 -OH, Accounting-, Feb. 2, 7 & 23 -Post Preview Day-, call (800) 548-7526  
Daniel Webster Col., Nashua, NH, Feb. 19 -Presidents Day-, call (800) 325-6876  
Dean Col., Franklin, MA, Feb. 23 -OH-, call (800) 852-7702  
D'Uville Col., Buffalo, NY Feb. 17 -ON- Feb 19 -Senior Day- Feb. 3 -Fin Aid Prog.- call (800) 777-3921  
Elmira Col., Elmira, NY, Feb. 19 -OH- see Special Program Sect for receptions in Mass & Maine, call (800) 935-6472  
Elms Col., Chicopee, MA, Feb. 3 -Winter OH- 9 am to 3 pm, Feb. 10 -Saturday Interview- call (800) 255-3567  
Endicott Col., Beverly, MA, Feb. 20, 21, 23 -Focus Days-, call (800) 325-1114 Consult Special College Admissions Section  
Emmanuel Col., Boston, MA, Feb. 19 -Saturday Information Sessions- 10 am to 1 pm, call (617) 735-9715  
Emerson Col., Boston, MA, Feb. -Auditions in Boston & New York- read Special Program Section  
Fitchburg State Col., Fitchburg, MA, Feb., 10 & 24 -Saturday Information Session- call (978) 665-3144  
Florida Southern U., Lakeland, FL, Feb. 3 -OH, Day on Campus-, Feb 16/17 -Scholars Weekend- call (800) 274-4131  
Franklin Col. Franklin, Ind. Feb. 17 -Top Scholar Day- call (800) 852-0232  
Framingham State Col., Framingham, MA, Feb. 3 -Sat. Info Session- Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 -Fri. Info Session- call (508) 626-4500  
Geneva Col., Beaver Falls, PA Feb. TBA -Athletic OH- call (800) 847-8355  
Hampshire Col., Amherst, MA, Feb. 19 -Hampshire Visit Day-, call (877) YES-HAMP  
Hartwick Col., Oneonta, NY, Feb. 17 & 24 -Saturday Information Sessions-, call (888) HARTWICK  
Hesser Col., Manchester, NH Feb. 24 -OH & Scholarship Day- call (800) 526-9231  
Hobart-Wm. Smith Col., Geneva, NY, Several Programs-See Special College Admissions Program Section- call (800) 852-2256  
Hope Col., Holland, MI, Feb. 2 & 19 -Visit Day- 8:30 am to 3 pm, call (800) 968-7850  
Johnson State Col., Johnson, VT, Feb. 19 -"Winterfest", OH-, call (800) 635-2356  
Johnson & Wales U., Providence, RI, Feb.10 -OH- 11 am, call (800) 343-2565  
Lake Forest Col., Lake Forest, IL Feb. 24 & 25 -Global Mosaic Prog. for Minority Students- see Special program note  
Lawrence Memorial-Regis Col. Collaborative ASN Program, Medford, MA, Feb. 1-OH, Nursing - 7 pm to 9 pm, call 781-396-9250  
Loyola Col., Baltimore, MD, Feb. 17 -Info.Prog. for students & parents-11 am to 2 pm, call (800) 221-9107  
Lyndon State Col., Lyndon, VT, Feb. 3 -Decision Day- Bring Completed Application & receive decision, call (802) 626-9371  
Maine, U. of, Orono, ME, Feb. 17 -OH, Presidents Day- 8:30 am to 3 pm, call (877) 4UM-ADMIT  
Mary Baldwin Col., Staunton, VA. Feb. 18&19 -VA Woman's Instit. For Leadership- see Special Col. Admissions Program sect.  
Mass., U. of, Boston, MA, Feb. TBA -OH for DSP students- see the write up in the Special Programs section  
Mass Maritime Acad., Buzzards Bay, MA, Feb. 25 -Winter Arrival of training ship OH-, call (800) 544-3411  
Miami, U. of, Coral Gables, FL, Feb. 25 -Spring OH- 10:30 am to 4 pm, call (305) 284-4323  
Missouri U., of, -Feb. 19 -Meet Missouri Day- 8 am to 3 pm, call (573) 882-2456  
Mitchell Col., New London, CT, Feb. 3 -OH- call (800) 443-2811  
Montserrat Col. of Art, Beverly, MA, Feb. 6 & 12 -Winter Visit Days- call (800) 836-0487  
Mt. Ida Col., Newton, MA., 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Feb. -OH- call (617) 928-4500  
Newbury Col., Brookline, MA, Feb. 21 & 22 -Nighthawk for 2 days- 10:30 am to 2 pm, call (617) 730-7007  
New England Col., Henniker, NH, Feb. 3 & 17 -IS- 10 am, call (800) 521-7642  
N.E. Institute of Art, Brookline, MA, Feb. 3-OH-, Jan. 27 -"A Day In The Life", call (800) 903-4425  
Niagara U., Buffalo, NY, Feb. 19 -Discovery Day- 10:45 am to 3 pm, call (800) 462-2111  
Norwich U., Northfield, VT, Feb. 23 -25 -LCW weekend- consult the Special Program Section, call (800) 468-6679  
Nyack Col., Nyack, NY, Feb. 18 & 19 -OH-, call (800) 336-9225  
Ohio Wesleyan U., Delaware, OH, Feb. 1 & 3 -Multi Cultural OH-, call (800) 922-8953  
**Open House Notices -- February, 2006**  
Pine Manor Col., Chestnut Hill, MA, Feb. 10 -OH- call (800) PMC-1357  
Plymouth State Col., Plymouth, NH, Feb. 19-OH- 9 am to 3 pm, call (800) 842-6900  
Ohio Wesleyan U., Delaware, Oh., -Feb. 1 -Multicultural Weekend- call (800) 922-8953

Rollins Col., Winter Park, FL., Jan. 24 - Saturday Tours-, call (407) 646- 2161  
 St. Andrews U., St. Andrews Fife, KY169AJ Scotland, Feb. 14 & 21 –Visit Days- call 44-1334-463324 email visit@and.ac.uk  
 St. Anselm’s Col. Manchester, NH, Feb 14-21 –Junior Preview Visit Days, call (603) 641-7500  
 St. Joseph Col., W. Hartford, CT, Feb. 3 –Sat. Visit-, 10 am, call (860) 231-5216  
 St. Lawrence U., Clinton, NY, Feb. 19 –Junior Visit Day- call (800) 454-5333  
 St. Olaf Col., Northfield, MN, Feb. 19 -Visit Day- 9 am to 3 pm, call (800) 800-3025  
 Southern New Hampshire U., Manchester, NH, Feb 9 –Culinary OH- call (800) 642-4968  
 Southern Vermont Col., Bennington, VT, Feb. 16 & 19 -Shadow Days- anytime from 9 am to 3 pm, call (800) 378-2782  
 Sterling Col., Craftsbury Commons, VT, Feb. 19 -Information Day- 9 am to 3 pm, call (800) 648-3591  
 Stetson U., Deland, FL, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24, 07 –Designated Saturdays- 9 am to noon, call (800) 688-0101  
 Suffolk U., Boston, MA, Feb. 20, 21, 22 –Information Sessions- 10 am, noon, 2 pm, 3 pm, call (617) 573-8460  
 SUNY, Col of Environmental Sc. & Forestry, Syracuse, NY, Feb. 9, 23 & 24 –College Information Prog.-, call (800) 777-7373  
 Syracuse U., Syracuse, NY, Feb. 3 –Campus Music Day-, Feb. 2 –Campus Drama Day- call (315) 443-2769  
 Trinity U., Washington DC, Feb. 10 -OH- 10 am to noon, call (800) 492-6882  
 Unity Col., Unity, ME, Feb. 17 -Winter Fest- call (207) 948-3131  
 Western New England Col., Springfield, MA., Feb. 24 –OH- 11am to 4 pm, call (800) 325-1122 Ext. 1212  
 Wittenberg U., Springfield, OH, Feb. 19 -Wittenberg Tiger Days- 9 am to 3 pm, call (800) 677-7558

**National N.A.A.C. College Fairs Spring 2007**

March 4 & 5 Eastern States Expo. Ctr., West Springfield, MA  
 4<sup>th</sup> noon to 4 pm -- 5<sup>th</sup> 9 am to noon  
 March 29 & 30 Hartford Expo Ctr., Hartford, CT  
 29<sup>th</sup> 9am to noon & 6:30 pm to 9 pm 30<sup>st</sup> 9 am to Noon  
 April 10 & 11 Bayside Expo. Ctr., Boston, MA  
 10<sup>th</sup> 9 am to noon & 6 pm to 9 pm -- 11<sup>th</sup> 9 am to noon  
 May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> New Jersey Convention & Expo.Ctr., Edison, NJ  
 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 am to noon & 6 pm to 9 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 am to noon  
 May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Javits Convention Ctr., NYC, NY noon

**Regional College Fairs** from 9 am to 11:30 am

March 26 Rhode Island CC at Newport Campus  
 March 27 Rhode Island CC at Warwick Campus  
 March 28 Rhode Island CC at Lincoln Campus  
 March 29 Rhode Island CC at Providence Campus  
 May 15 Presque Isle, ME – U. of Maine, Presque Isle  
 May 16 Washington Community College, Calais, ME  
 May 17, Augusta, ME – Augusta Civic Ctr.  
 May 18, Rindge, NH – Franklin Pierce College

**Local College Fairs**

Apr. 11, Bonny Eagle H.S., Standish, ME  
 May 3, North Reading High School, MA

**A Special Program**

**University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA** is offering a program which offers new opportunities to college applicants. **Directions for Student Potential (DSP)** is a free six-week summer program that provides an opportunity for students to prove themselves and be admitted to the University’s College of Liberal Arts and the College of Science and Mathematics.. Upon successful completion of the program students may enroll at either the College of Liberal Arts or the College of Science and Mathematics. Information Sessions will be held beginning in February and running through May 2007. For greater detail call Mike Kiang, Asst. Dir./DSP & AGP Liaison, at the UMASS Boston Admissions Office at (617) 287-6000

**Norwich University, Northfield, VT** will offer a **Leadership Challenge Weekend** during the winter/spring of 2007. The date is: February 23 to 25, 2007. The Leadership challenge Weekend is designed to expose the college bound student to a military college and university life, while providing a worthwhile leadership experience through the development of individual leadership skills, self-confidence and teamwork. Students participate as members of a team during the course and receive instruction in leadership and effective communications. Students also participate in a Leadership Recreation Course, physical fitness training, water survival training and other physical activities. Briefing on how to apply for college, to the Federal academies and information on Reserve Officer Training Corps. (ROTC) scholarships and financial aid are part of the three day program. Students should only apply if they are interested in pursuing a college education and have an interest in attending a Federal Academy. There is a \$35 administrative fee. The spring date is: February 23 to 25, 2007. For greater detail call Norwich University at (802) 485-2531 or consult [www.norwich.edu/lcw/index](http://www.norwich.edu/lcw/index)

**Special College Admissions Programs**

**Bay State College, Boston, MA** will host Information Sessions on Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm, during the months of Jan. & Feb. 2007. The Information Sessions will consist of Interviews and Tours . Bay State will also offer Saturday Walk ins in Jan., Feb., & Mar., 2007. For specifics call the Admissions Office at (800) 81-LEARN

**Bay Path College, Longmeadow, MA** will host a number of winter/spring admissions programs for prospective students and their parents. The following are programs to be offered in 2007: February 11 –OH- February 20 & 21 an Overnight Program For greater detail or to pre register call 800-782-7284 Ext. 31

**Bryant University, Smithfield, RI** will host a number of admissions programs during the spring of 2007 Bryant 24/7:, March 27, 2007 – An overnight program for African American, Latino/a, Asian/Pacific Islander, and Native American applicants.

Bryant 101, Saturday Information Sessions, February 3, March 3, & April 21, 2007  
Ladies Night, February 6 & 28, 2007 an overnight program for female applicants  
To obtain greater detail or to pre register, call the Bryant Admissions Office at (800) 622-7001

**Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH** will host four Discovery Days in February, 2006

Feb. 15, 21, 07 –Discovery Days-

Feb. 23 & 26 -“See & Ski”- March 2 - “See & Ski”- “**See & Ski**” an interesting and fun informational program on Feb 23 & 26 and March 2, 2007 during which a prospective student will attend an info session at 9 am and at noon proceed to the ski slope to enjoy a Colby-Sawyer pastime – Skiing. Advice: Pre register early by calling the Colby Sawyer Admissions Office at (800) 272-1015

April 28 -Junior OH- April 3 & 25 -Discovery Days-

Each program will start at 8 am and end at noon.

Pre registration is requested, call (800) 272-1015

**The Culinary Institute of America, Hyde Park, NY** has planned a number of Open House Programs during the winter/spring 05/06

Programs for high school students

Programs for Adults

February 16, 07 12:30 pm

February 13, 06 2:00 pm

March 9, 07 12:30 pm

March 13, 07 2:00 pm

To make an appointment for any of these

April 20, 07 12:30 pm

April 10, 07 2:00 pm

programs call (800) 285-4627

**Elmira College, Elmira, NY** will host an admissions reception on

February 10 in Needham, MA place TBA

Feb 10 in Portland Me – an Interview Session at “College Solutions” for details call (207) 767-7324

Feb. 11 a reception in Portland, ME Time/Place TBA

For greater detail call the Elmira admissions office at (800) 935-6472

**Emerson College, Boston, MA** will host two audition programs for Acting & Musical Theater, Theatre Design/Tech. & Stage Production and Performing Arts. Interviews will be conducted on an individual basis and not are not scheduled at the time of audition. Regular Auditions will be held at the following places and on the dates indicated:

1. The Boston auditions will be held on February 3 & 10 and 17 & 24, 2007

2. New York auditions will be held in New York City on Feb. 2, 3, & 5, 2007

Should there be any questions call (617) 824-8780 or contact Steve Yakutis, Auditions Coordinator, via Email

audition@emerson.edu An audition form is included in an Emerson Application Package. The form must be completed and

returned with an audition fee. An audition form can be obtained on the Emerson web site [www.emerson.edu](http://www.emerson.edu)

**Endicott College, Beverly, MA** will host “Focus Days” for high school seniors on Feb. 20, 21, 23, 07 on the Endicott campus from 9 am to 1 pm. Focus Days feature programs in admissions, financial aid, student and faculty seminars, tours, etc. Call (800) 325-1114

**Hobart and William Smith College, Geneva, NY** is hosting several admissions programs. in February & March & April, 2007

February 3 & 10, 07 Art Dept. Scholarship Prog., Talent Search & Art Portfolio Review & Auditions – application deadline Jan 1, 07

April 19 through 21, 07 Multicultural Recruitment Weekend

March 3, 07 Trustee Scholarship Program - Merit based scholarships

For specific details call the Hobart & William Smith Admissions Office at (800)852-2256 All program are at the Geneva Campus

**Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL** will host their annual Global Mosaic Intercultural Weekend on February 24 & 25, 2007

This is a special programs for underrepresented students. For greater detail contact Sarah Holcomb or Tim Woods in the Intercultural Relations planning office at (847) 735-500

**Manhattan College, Riverdale, NY** will be hosting a counselor visit on March 22 & 23, 2007. This is an outstanding experience. The Manhattan people go out of their way to make you comfortable. CI rates this trip with 4 Stars! The Visit to Manhattan is being coordinated by Tom Dunn via Email at [TEDunn22@charter.net](mailto:TEDunn22@charter.net)

**Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, VA** will host an overnight program for it’s Virginia Woman’s Institute for Leadership on February 18 & 19, 2007. The Virginia Woman’s Institute for Leadership is a four year academic program for women where women minor in Leadership and receive an R.O.T.C. commission upon graduation. Participants receive a stipend (\$5,460 per year for an in-state student and \$2,000 per year for an out of state participant.) Normally 40% of the graduates from this program will go on to a military or governmental position and 60% will matriculate at a professional school (graduate school). For greater detail call (800) 468-2262 Mary Baldwin Col will host it’s Multi-Cultural Weekend on Jan. 20 & 21, 2006

**Niagara University, NY** will host two sets of Information Programs during the winter and spring 2007

1. **Saturday Appointments:** During each visit a participant will; meet with an admissions counselor, tour the campus. The dates are: Feb. 10 & 24 - Mar. 3 - Apr. 2 & 28, 2007 at 9:30 am

2. **Discovery Days:** February 19 -- March 23 -- April 13, 2007 A Discovery Day is a Mini Open House Program and will feature; an admissions presentation, a financial aid and academics explanation and tour. Discovery Days will run from 11 am to 3 pm. For greater detail call (800) 462-2111

**College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York, Syracuse, NY** will host three College Information Sessions on February 19, 23 & 24, 2007  
Each program will begin at 1 pm and extend through 3 pm. For details call (800) 777-7373

**The New England Institute of Art, Brookline, MA** is hosting three programs for prospective students and their parents. January 27, 2007 "A Day In The Life Of." February 3, 2007 the Winter Open House Program will run from 10 am to 3 pm March 24, 2007 "A Day In the Life Of" will run from 10 am to 3 pm For greater detail call the admissions office at (800) 903-4425

**Southern Vermont College, Bennington, VT** is hosting two "Shadow Days" for prospective students on February 16 & 19, 2007. A "Shadow Day" is one during which a prospective student visits the campus and live the life of a So. Vermont student for the day and is invited to make it an overnight experience. A pre-registration is necessary. To pre-register call (800) 378-2782 or consult the Southern Vermont Web site [www.svc.edu](http://www.svc.edu)

**Suffolk University, Boston, MA** will host an Information Sessions on February 20, 21, 22, 2007. The sessions will consist of a panel of admissions representatives and students followed by a tour of the Suffolk facilities. The February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will run from noon to 2 pm. A reservation would be appreciated call (617) 573-8460

### **ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS**

#### **Read Across America Day November 2006 through February (2<sup>nd</sup> week), 2007**

Literary Empowerment Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, invites educators and schools or other literacy projects to apply for FREE books for Read Across America Day. During the past year, LEF has distributed over 3,000,000 books to schools all across the country on Read Across America Day and for other literacy projects. For greater detail contact Literary Empowerment Foundation, 1311 West Chester Pike, West Chester, PA 19382 or phone (610) 719-6448 or consult the Web site: <http://LEFbooks.org>

**Art Institute of Boston, 700 Beacon St., Boston, MA** is offering a winter session of enrichment and credit programs to high school students who want to study art with professional artists. The program is designed to; develop skills, build a strong art portfolio, and earn college credit. The college is convenient to Kenmore Square in Boston. The programs being offered are: Advanced Photography, Graphic Design, Cartoon/Illustration. This is three of eleven classes which will be given on Saturdays (2 sessions at 9:30 am to 1 pm and 2 pm to 5:30 pm). The courses offer a range of art, eg. Sculpture, comics, etc. Classes begin on February 10, 2007 and end on March 31, 2007. Participants are advised to enroll early as admissions is on a first come, first serve basis and enrollments are limited. The cost of courses will range from \$75 to \$100 plus a materials and registration fee. There are a limited number of need based scholarships. For more information call Keri Fisher, (617) 585-6724 or 6729

**Mass. College of Art February & April Vacation Programs** February 19 to 23 & Apr. 16 to 20, 07 -- Xtreme Week 9:30 am to 4:30 pm -- Cost \$325 -- Monday through Friday w/ a final exhibition Focus -- Xtreme Week is an intensive week of art making for students in grades 7–12 during the February and April vacations. Choose your focus for the week – Xtreme Drawing or Xtreme Fashion. The finale of Xtreme Week will be an amazing exhibition and dazzling fashion show in celebration of student creations. These studios are taught by practicing artists. For details call (617) 879-7170 and ask for Liz or Web page [www.massart.edu](http://www.massart.edu)

**Mass College of Art Saturday Studios Program** -- Saturdays 9 am to noon -- Feb. 24 through May 5, 07 -- Cost \$150 for all classes except Photo. and Computer Animation which cost an additional \$85 lab fee.

The Art Education Dept. of the Mass. College of Art offers special non-credit art studio classes to all interested students in grades 4–12, regardless of their level of experience in art; there are no prerequisites or portfolio reviews. The Saturday Studios can serve to introduce students to the processes of art making, assist students in expanding their studio backgrounds and refine their aesthetic awareness. The instructors for the program are MassArt student teachers from the Art Education Dept. Using an exhibition theme, Saturday Studios focus on the formulation of ideas, handling materials, and defining and achieving one's own intentions. Students use a variety of materials and techniques including drawing, painting, and sculpting. Students develop observational skills & imagination. For details call (617) 879-7170 & ask for Liz

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology – Spring Programs** M.I.T. non-credit, enrichment, and remedial programs are run by students who are usually in class during the day time hours. To contact the Educational Studies Program personnel it is advised that calls be made between the hours of 4 pm to 8 pm. The telephone number for both programs listed is (617) 253-4882  
The High School Studies Program (HSSP) is a long established program with a history of over 50 years. The classes will be taught by M.I.T. students who volunteer to teach the classes within their areas of competence. This year HSSP will offer exploration classes which range from Computer Science, Mathematics, Science, Social Science through Liberal Arts, etc. There are over 30 classes which are open for enrollment for students attending the 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades in public, private, parochial and independent schools.

Students can take three classes for a registration fee of \$35. Registration: mid February, 2007 at M.I.T., 77 Mass. Ave, Cambridge, MA For specific information call or consult the Web Site [www.esp.mit.edu](http://www.esp.mit.edu)

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology (HSSP) will offer SAT I Preparatory Courses** for students who will take their SAT's in May or June, 2007. These classes will run for six Sundays beginning in early March and continue through April, 2007. Each class consists of a Verbal Reasoning and Mathematics section. It's design is based on diagnostic test performance and geared to meet the need/abilities of each student. A registration fee of \$100 covers text books and instruction costs. Registration is in early March at M.I.T. campus at 77 Mass. Ave (main entrance to M.I.T.) For specific information check the web site [www.mit.edu/edsp](http://www.mit.edu/edsp)

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual Woman's Summit at Bryant University, Smithville, RI** will be held on March 16, 2007. The Program is designed to develop skills and insight and to help women achieve professional and personal success. To obtain greater detail and specific information contact the program director Ms. Kate Machtley at (401) 232-6008

**14th Annual High School Environmental Symposium -- April 27 & 28, 2007** -- Pre registration is required for this event has been sold out in former years. The Massachusetts Maritime Academy is sponsoring this unique educational event will allow students and teachers to participate in workshop sessions with top environmental scientists, representing several of our nation's most prestigious environmental organizations. Each participant will be exposed to the most up-to-date information and have the opportunity to interact with the most state of the art, high tech equipment available to assist in protecting our marine environment. A partial list of organizations that will be making presentations at the Symposium includes: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, Clean Harbors, Cape Cod Commission, New England Aquarium, U.S. Coast Guard, Environmental Defense Fund, U.S. Geological Survey, National Marine Life Center, Coastal Education Association. A registration fee (includes overnight accommodations and meals at the Maritime Academy) is due as soon as possible in 2007. This program is by invite only (an invitation can be obtained by contacting the Mass. Maritime Academy Admissions Office.) Reservations will be limited hence early registration is encouraged. Contact High School Environmental Symposium, The Massachusetts Maritime Academy, 101 Academy Dr., Buzzards Bay, MA 02532. To make a reservation call (800) 544-3411 or FAX (508) 830-5077 Email [fuji@mariotime.edu](mailto:fuji@mariotime.edu) This notice will be repeated in March.

**38th Annual Greater Boston High School Newspaper Competition, sponsored by Suffolk University, Dept. of Communication & Journalism.** Competition will be in three categories (News, Editorial & Sports Writing). It is open to public, parochial & private (Independent) schools in Massachusetts. Submit a minimum of three copies of two issues published during the fall of 2006. Deadline is mid to late January, 2007. Awards totaling \$6,500 in scholarships will be made at an awards ceremony and dinner to be held in mid- March, 2007. For details write to Greater Boston High School Newspaper Competition, Suffolk University, Dept. of Communication & Journalism, 41 Temple St., Boston, MA 02114 or call (617) 573-8503

**Carry Over Admissions Programs - Programs which have been listed in prior newsletter issues yet remain current.**

**Culinary Institute of America**, Hyde Park, NY will host OH Programs at 9 am for high school students on the following dates: Feb. 16, 2007 and for adults at 2 pm on: Feb. 13, 2007. The adult programs are designed for people who are looking to make a career change. To obtain greater detail call (800) CULINARY

**Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburg, PA** will host "Sleeping Bag Weekends" for high school seniors on the following Sunday & Monday: January 28 & 29, 2007 (Deadline to register Jan. 10)

The "Sleeping Bag Weekends" will feature presentations from the following academic departments: Engineering, Science, Computer Science, Humanities & Social Sciences, Information Systems, Business. Administration. This program is offered to prospective students in the fall and winter and for accepted students in the winter and spring. For specific info. consult the Carnegie Mellon Web site [www.cmu.edu](http://www.cmu.edu) For detailed information on any of the CMU programs call the admissions dept. at (412) 268-2082

**Carnegie-Mellon Portfolio Review Days;** Sch.of Art: Jan 28, 07 --Feb. 4 & 18, 07; Sch. of Design: Jan. 28, 07 -- Feb. 4, 8 & 23, 07

**Carnegie-Mellon Theater Auditions (Drama)-** Pittsburg: Jan. 21, 27, 28, 07 – Feb. 24, 25, 07 - Mar. 4, 07

New York: Feb. 1, 2, 3, 4, 067

**Massachusetts College Goal Sunday January 28, 2007 at 2:00 pm**

College Goal Sunday is a non-profit program that provides free information to families applying for financial assistance for higher education. College Goal Sunday mobilizes financial aid professionals from Massachusetts colleges and universities to help families of college bound students complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, the federally required form for students seeking financial aid, including grant, and loan throughout the nation.

The Third College Goal Sunday will take place on January 28, 2007 at 2 pm at 13 locations around Massachusetts

Areas:

Cape Cod -- Cape Cod Community College, Hyannis, MA

Boston Area -- Boston Public Library, Boston, MA -- Bunker Hill Community College -- ROCA Gym, Chelsea, MA

Pine Manor College, Chestnut Hill, MA -- Malden High School -- Waltham High School

**Massachusetts College Goal Sunday continued...**

South Coastal Area -- Brockton High School -- Bristol Community College, Fall River, MA  
Merrimack Valley Area -- TBD in Lawrence, MA -- Middlesex Community College

Central Massachusetts Area -- Fitchburg State College -- Quinsigamond Community College  
Western Massachusetts Area -- Mt Holyoke Community College -- Pittsfield Educational Opportunity Center  
Springfield Technical Community College

Students and their parents should bring completed 2006 IRS tax returns, W2 statements and other 2006 Income and benefits information. Current bank statements, untaxed income, records for the previous year (Social Security, Temp. Assist. to Needy Families, Welfare or Veterans benefit records), drivers license (if any) & alien registration card. This information is helpful but not required

For greater detail call (877) 4 – CGS-MAS or on line at [www.masscollegegoalsunday.org](http://www.masscollegegoalsunday.org)

### **The Ultimate College Rating**

**“Billion Dollar Schools” published date Fall, 2006 -- The Chronicle of Higher Education**

College/University	Endowment	College/University	Endowment
1. Harvard University	\$25+ billion	26. Brown University	\$ 1+ billion
2. Yale University	\$15+	27. Ohio State University	\$ 1+
3. Stanford University	\$12+	28. Rockefeller University	\$ 1+
4. U. of Texas System	\$11+	29. New York University	\$ 1+
5. Princeton University	\$11+	30. University of Pittsburg	\$ 1+
6. M.I.T.	\$ 6+	31. Case Western Reserve U.	\$ 1+
7. University of California	\$ 5+	32. University of Washington	\$ 1+
8. Columbia University	\$ 5+	33. University of North Carolina	\$ 1+
9. Texas A&M U. Systems	\$ 4+	34. California Institute of Tech.	\$ 1+
10. University of Michigan	\$ 4+	35. Grinnell College	\$ 1+
11. Emory University	\$ 4+	36. University of Rochester	\$ 1+
12. University of Pennsylvania	\$ 4+	37. Williams College	\$ 1+
13. Washington University (MO)	\$ 4+	38. Perdue University	\$ 1+
14. Northwestern University	\$ 4+	39. Pomona College	\$ 1+
15. University of Chicago	\$ 4+	40. Boston College	\$ 1+
16. Duke University	\$ 3+	41. Wellesley College	\$ 1+
17. University of Notre Dame	\$ 3+	43. Boston College	\$ 1+
18. Rice University	\$ 3+	44. University of Richmond	\$ 1+
19. University of Virginia	\$ 3+	45. University of Toronto	\$ 1+
20. U. of Southern California	\$ 2+	46. Penn State University	\$ 1+
21. Dartmouth College	\$ 2+	47. Swarthmore College	\$ 1+
22. Vanderbilt University	\$ 2+	48. Amherst College	\$1+
23. Johns Hopkins University	\$ 2+	49. Yeshiva College	\$1+
24. University of Minnesota	\$ 1+	50. University of Illinois & Found.	\$1+

The question must be asked, how does the accumulation of such a massive amounts of money translate to the benefit of the students and future students and the cost to each student.

**The Quinn Report: Can you conceptualize ONE BILLION? Consider the following.** What Is A Billion ?

A billion is a difficult number to comprehend, but one advertising agency did a good job of putting that figure into some perspective in one of its releases.

- A. A billion seconds ago it was 1959
- B. A billion minutes ago Jesus was alive
- C. A billion hours ago our ancestors were living in the Stone Age.
- D. A billion days ago no-one walked on the earth on two feet.

### **College Board New England Regional Forum**

February 11 to 13, 2007 Boston Marriott Copley Place Hotel, Boston, MA

Opening Speaker: Marilee Jones, Dean of Admission, M.I.T.

Luncheon Speaker: Taylor Branch, Pulitzer Prize winning author - an inspirational speaker

**The College Board 2006 is making its SAT Reasoning Test Essay Prompts available.** The following is the test prompt from the test on November, 2006. This information can be accessed at [www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/after/essay\\_prompts.html](http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/after/essay_prompts.html)  
SAT Reasoning Test Prompts November, 2006

Essay prompts continued...

Prompt 1

Think carefully about the issue presented in the following excerpt and the assignment below.

It is wrong to think of ourselves as indispensable. We would love to think that our contributions are essential, but we are mistaken if we think that any one person has made the world what it is today. The contributions of individual people are seldom as important or as necessary as we think they are.

Assignment:

Do we put too much value on the ideas or actions of individuals. Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on each issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observation.

Prompt 2

Think carefully about the issue presented in the following excerpt and the assignment below.

Many people deny that stories about characters and events that are not real can teach us about ourselves or about the world around us

### **College Board 2006 Essay Prompts continued...**

They claim that literature does not offer us worthwhile information about the real world. These people argue that the feelings and ideas we gain from books and stories obstruct, rather than contribute to, clear thought.

Adapted from Jennifer L. McMahon, "the Function of Fiction"

Assignment: Can books and stories about characters and events that are not real teach us anything useful? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your readings, studies, experience, or observations.

Prompt 3

Think carefully about the issue presented in the following excerpt and the assignment below.

"No one is perfect." There are few among us who would disagree with this familiar statement. Certain that perfection is an impossible goal, many people willingly accept flaws and shortcomings in themselves and others. Yet such behavior leads to failure. People can only succeed if they try to achieve perfection in everything they do.

Assignment: Can people achieve success only if they aim to be perfect? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Supplement your position with reasoning and examples taken from your studies, experience, or observations.

Prompt 4

Think carefully about the issue presented in the following excerpt and the assignment below.

Everybody has some choice. People are always blaming their circumstances for what they are. I don't believe in circumstances. The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want, if they can't find them, make them.

Adapted from George Bernard Shaw, Mrs. Warren's Profession

Assignment: Do success and happiness depend on the choices people make rather than on factors beyond their control? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observations.

### **SAT Reasoning Test Prompts                      December 2005**

**Prompt 1**

We like to think that if someone has "the right stuff," he or she will naturally rise to the top. But it isn't true. In that same way that acting talent doesn't guarantee stardom, the capacity for doesn't guarantee that one will run a corporation or a government. In fact, time, genuine achievement is not highly value, and those who are skilled at achieving greatness are not necessarily those who are ready to lead.

Adapted from Warren Bennis, On Becoming a Leader

**Assignment:** Are leaders necessarily people who are most capable of leadership? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observation.

**Prompt 2**

How valuable is history for our generation? On the surface this question is not as easy as it once might have been, for there is a widespread belief that history may no longer be relevant to modern life. We live, after all, in an age that appears very different from the world that came before us.

Stephen Vaughn, "History: Is It Relevant?"

**Assignment:** Is knowledge of the past no longer useful for us today? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observations.

**Prompt 3**

The free expression of thoughts and opinions is one of humanity's most precious rights. Every Citizen must be able to speak, write, and publish freely, provided that he or she is held accountable for the abuse of this liberty in cases determined by the law.

Adapted from Thomas Paine, Rights of Man

**Assignment:** Is it necessary to limit or put restrictions on freedom of thought and expression? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observations.

**Prompt 4**

Progress is likely to slow down once science and technology have met our basic human needs. New developments in science and technology will not continue to produce more societal benefits. In fact, the promise that science and technology will continue to benefit us is increasingly doubtful when so many individuals find their lives changing in ways they cannot control and in directions they do not desire.

Adapted for Daniel Sarewitz, "Social Change and Science Policy"

Assignment: Do the benefits of scientific and technological developments come at the cost of undesirable changes to people's lives? Plan and write an essay, etc., etc.

### **The College Impressions recommended summer 2007 programs which offer interesting and enriching experiences.**

There are summer experiences which go well beyond marketing promise. The following is a listing of programs which College

Impressions has researched for which it is offering its endorsement. These programs will provide experiences which will help students be more prepared for the “rest of their lives.” Pay particular attention whenever you come across student/counselor ratios.

**Actors Workshop**, 327 Summer St., Boston, MA (617) 423-7313. New England’s 1<sup>st</sup> professional theater school devoted to the training of craftsmen for stage and related work is offering three programs. 1. Full Day Programs, 2. Part Time Evening Programs, 3. Saturday Programs August through September.

**Barnard College, NYC, Pre-College Program, “Summer in New York City”** offers three programs during the summer 2007.

A 4 – Week Liberal Arts Program June 24 to July 21. A co-ed program for residential and commuting students.

A 1 – Week Liberal Arts Intensive Program, June 24 to June 30. A co-ed program for residential and commuting students.

A 1 – Week Young Women’s Leadership Institute, July 8 to July 14. A program for residential students.

Barnard provides an Grad Student and Regular Student Advisory Ratio of 1 advisor to 8 and 1 to 12 students.

All day and field trips are chaperoned by monitoring advisors. For greater detail contact Barnard at 212-854-8866 or visit web site [pep@barnard.edu](mailto:pep@barnard.edu)

**Boston Architectural Center, “2007 Summer Academy.”** 35<sup>th</sup> year in operation, provides basic information on: architectural, learning & urban design, interior design & special planning, landscaping, graphic design. Features: basic design, drafting, environmental design & history. Will accommodate 60 to 75 students.

Program of 4 week duration. Dates: July 9 through August 3 – Duration 9 am to 1 pm. – Cost \$1,190. – Admissions on a first come first accepted basis. A career exploration program for high school students entering 10<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades. A number of scholarships based on need are available. For program details contact the Continuing Ed. Dept., the Boston Architectural Center at (617) 585-0101 email address [summer@the-bac.edu](mailto:summer@the-bac.edu)

**Brown University Summer Program**, Box T, Providence, RI 02912 – June 18 to Aug. 3, 2007 -- Applications accepted after December 1, 2007. This is a high powered academic and enrichment programs plus consistent and mature guidance. Social experiences and pre college planning best of the highly selective college programs. Student to proctor/counselor ratio of Pre Col Program 1:18 for the SPARK Program (junior high school students) 1:10. Cost range \$1,500 to \$7,500. Contact the Office of Summer Studies Program Director at (401) 863-7900 or Email to [summer@Brown.edu](mailto:summer@Brown.edu)

**Daniel Webster College**, Nashua, NH 03063 **Aviation Career Education Camp**. A different summer program. Limited to 120 students Jul. 30 to Aug. 3, 2007 Cost \$845. “Women in Aviation Weekend” July 28 & 29, 2007 for an application or information call Paul LaBarre (603) 577-6603 or consult web page [www.dwc.edu](http://www.dwc.edu)

**Design at Harvard, “Career Discovery Program.”** Architecture, landscape architecture, urban planning & urban design. For people of all ages considering career choices or changes (must be a high school grad. – 2007 high school grads are eligible). Harvard Grad School of Design, 48 Quincy St., Cambridge, MA 02138, call (617) 495-5453. Offered during the week of June 18 through July 27, 2007. Cost Tuition approximately \$2,680 Housing \$1,122 for information call Caroline at the mentioned number or Email her at [discovery@gsd.harvard.edu](mailto:discovery@gsd.harvard.edu)

**Landmark Volunteers**, a non-profit educational program. A two week summer opportunity at a national institution. Call for a brochure describing this volunteer program (413) 229-0255 or write to Landmark, Box 455, Sheffield, MA 01257

**Mass College of Art, Summer Program 2007**

“Creative Vacation” -- grades 4 to 12 -- Dates: July 9 to 27, 2007 -- Cost: half day, \$575; full day \$1,150. 2 majors in foundation course, Art History & two electives -- classes: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm full payment due by June 10 -- Partial Scholarships are available – call Liz Rudnick at (617) 879-7174

“Summer Studios” -- grades 11 & 12 -- Dates: July 9 to July 27, 2007 -- Cost: \$2,430 R/B/T, call Liz Rudnick at (617) 879-7174

**M.I.T. Educational Studies Program, “MESH”** Dates early July through mid August – Classes: Monday through Friday, late afternoon & early evenings – Cost: \$2,000. time is divided between “Core” class and “intensive” class and an (optional) elective class. Selective, challenging, enriching – Deadline: early March, 2006. there is a pre-test requirement. Contact: Educational Studies Program, M.I.T. 84 Mass Ave., Room W20-467 Cambridge, MA 02139 call (617) 253-4882

**State of Massachusetts Volunteer Summer tour Guide Program at the State House in Boston, MA** Sponsored by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, William F. Galvin, Open to Mass high school students who are at least 14 years old. This is a supervised volunteer program. Students are trained to conduct tours of the State House and other related duties. Summer guides work with the staff and interns of the secretary’s office on a part-time basis. Students who successfully complete the program are eligible to request recommendations for job or college applications. College bound high school seniors will be eligible to apply for a book award presented by the Doric Docent. For additional information contact: Mary Rinehart, Director, at (617) 727-3676. There will be orientations for prospective guides in early June, 2007 in the Nurses Hall at the State House. The application process has changed. Applicants are expected to complete a formal application; provide a teacher recommendation and submit an essay provided within the application. This is becoming a very popular program.

**Montserrat College of Art**, Beverly, MA, **Pre-College Program**, July 9 to August 3, 2007 Deadline to register June 8, 07. Scholarships available on need basis. Total art emersion program with a varied curriculum. Enrollment on a first come first serve basis. Tuition \$2,300, Housing \$800. For greater detail call (800) 836-0487

**Northwestern University National High School Institute** – late June 25 to early August, 2007 - Music, Journalism, Film/Video, Junior Statesman, Theater– Cost Range \$1,600 to \$6,200 – Deadline: mid April 2007 - Notification: mid May, 2007. To obtain a brochure and detailed information contact the National High School Institute, Northwestern U., 617 Noyes ST., Evanston, IL 60208-1057 call (800) 662-6474

Email [n-kanel@northwestern.edu](mailto:n-kanel@northwestern.edu) or consult web page [www.northwestern.edu/nhsi](http://www.northwestern.edu/nhsi) Note: Each program has a different time frame (2 to 6 weeks) and each has a different starting and ending date. Student counselor ratio: Theatre /Arts – 160 students & 10 college counselors (faculty) and 40 to 50 faculty members.

**Norwich Future Leaders Camp**, Norwich University, Northfield, VT – 2 programs (each 2 weeks June/July) providing today’s youth with the skills to be tomorrow’s leaders. Session I July 1 to July 14, 2007 -- Session II July 22 to August 5, 2005. It’s a military experience in exactitude and a life experience in expectations and learning. Cost: \$1,455+ which includes; room/board, uniforms/books, & transportation during the camp. call (802) 485-2531 or see web page [www.norwich.edu](http://www.norwich.edu) This camp program is not a “Boot Camp” and not for “troubled teens.”

**University of Notre Dame, Indiana** - Engineering for high school students between their sophomore and junior year in high school There will be two sessions: 1.) from June 17 to July 5, 2007 and 2.) from July 8 to July 26, 2006. Cost is \$1,400 w/ meals. For details call Ranzi Bualuan, Program Director at N.D. Col. of Engineering (574) 631- 7388 or consult web site [www.nd.edu/iep](http://www.nd.edu/iep) Student counselor ration: 50 students & 10 counselors + one faculty director

**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute “Preface Program”** at R.P.I in Troy, NY This program is an introduction to Engineering with a focus on the Engineering Profession, Technology, Manufacturing and Electronics. Dates: Two, 2 week sessions in July/August, 2007. A gifted and talented program. All expenses are paid for gifted & talented underrepresented students (male & female). Students must be high school sophomores or juniors. The course will accommodate 20 students per session. Deadline: Applications are due March 2007. Call Cynthia Smith, Asst. Dean of Students, Director of Pipe Line Initiatives Partnership (518) 276-6272 Email [smithc@rpi.edu](mailto:smithc@rpi.edu) or write to Preface Program, R.P.I., Office of Minority & Student Affairs, Academy Hall, Troy, NY 12180-3590

**Student Trainer Workshops at Springfield College**, Springfield, MA 01109, early July 22 to 26, 2007. The program is for high school students interested in careers in athletic training and sports medicine. It offers lectures, demonstrations and practice sessions on athletic injury prevention and care as well as presentations on career options and professional preparation. Students may observe certified athletic trainers in action while at the college's many sports camps. For a brochure and more specific information write to Student Athletic Training Workshop, Springfield College, Office of Special Programs, 263 Alden St., Springfield, MA 01109-3797 or call (413) 748-5287 Cost: Resident \$590 --- Early registrants (by May. 1) Commuter \$565.

**Student Trainer Program – Career Law Enforcement Training. A Youth Program** sponsored by the American Legion. The program consists of two one week live-in experience at the Police Academy in New Braintree, MA It will be an extensive law-enforcement career training program patterned after a regular Mass State Police Recruit Program (not summer camp). Applications must be authorized by an American Legion Post and submitted with a sponsor's check before mid May, 2007. There is a sponsor fee of \$200. Dates: Two one week sessions in July, 2007. Begin the process by contacting the American Legion Post nearest you. The program is designed for students ages 15 to 17, not seniors in high school.. Contact: William McCarthy, Veterans Agent, Arlington Town hall, 730 Mass Ave., Arlington, MA 02476 and chairman "Student Trainer Program at 781-316-3166 of American Legion Dept. of MA Inc. at 546-2 State House, Boston, MA 02133-1044 617-727-2966. Email address [wmccarthy@town.arlington.ma.us](mailto:wmccarthy@town.arlington.ma.us) This is not a "Boot Camp" and not for "troubled teens."

**U.S. Coast Guard Academy - AIM (Academy Introduction Mission)** offers an expense paid 6 day experience at the Coast Guard Academy, New London, CT. to high school juniors. Tuition & Expense fee is \$325. Three sessions during the 3 weeks of July, 2007 -- Application period: Jan. 1 to April 15, 2007 Application materials include; Transcript, A Letter of Recommendation & short essay. The Application can only be accessed on the Coast Guard Academy's Web site [AIM2006@exmail.uscga.edu](mailto:AIM2006@exmail.uscga.edu) For greater detail USCGA Admissions Office at (860) 444-8500

**U.S. Air Force Academy - Summer Seminar at Colorado Springs, CO** - Two Sessions: A. June 10 – 15, II. July 17 - 22, 2007.  
Cost: Registration fee of \$350 which covers room/board and workshop supplies. Selection is competitive. Criteria for selection: Academic Achievement, civic +athletic involvement + endorsement of Air Force Liaison Officer. For details call (800) 443-3864 or (719) 333-2236 and ask for the Summer Seminar or consult the U.A.S.F.A. web page [www.academyadmissions.com](http://www.academyadmissions.com) The program is detailed in the Admissions Section for grade 11 students. Focus: Team Building – Leadership Skills – Experience the physical environment. Fax # 719-333-3647

**U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD - "Summer Seminar"** -three one week sessions- June 2 to 7, 9 to 14, 16 to 21, 2007 at the Navel Academy, Annapolis, MD Last year there were 6,000 applicants for 1,800 slots. This is a very competitive program. The goal is to provide a student with an orientation to the Navel Academy and to develop an understanding of Leadership through experience. Their motto is "Are you looking for a challenge?" The cost is approximately \$300. Admissions is by invitation. Application is available on line effective 1 Feb. 07 on [www.usna.edu](http://www.usna.edu) The Academy is looking for well rounded, balanced, intelligent participants.

**Sea Education Association, Adventures in Ocean Studies** - The programs offered for high school students: **1. Science at Sea and 2. The Oceanography of the Gulf of Maine** (co sponsored by the Shoals of Maine Laboratory of Cornell U.) **3. "Oceanography of the Southern California Bight"** – shore component Catalina Island, ocean component of the Pacific Ocean. The cost will be \$3,800+. The affiliating college is the U. of Southern California.

(1)The Science at Sea (SAS) program focuses on the coastal and off shore marine environment around Cape Cod, MA. The students live an study at SEA's campus in Woods Hole and on one of the sailing vessels. There will be two programs from July 17 to August 4; July 29 to August 16, 2007 (23 students). Cost: \$3,590+. Deadline: Rolling Admission.

(2)The Oceanography of the Gulf of Maine program offers a unique academic opportunity for students to experience life on board a sailing vessel and on an island off the Maine coast. There will be one program with two sessions (one session beginning on land and ending at sea and the other beginning at sea and ending on land) both occurring from July 5 to July 24, 2007. Cost: \$4,000+ Deadline: Rolling Admissions.

(3) Oceanography of Southern Cal. Bight is offered in collaboration with the University of Southern California's Wrigley Marine Science Center. The shore component will take place on Catalina Island and the sea component through the waters of Southern California and the Channel Islands. The program will run from August 8 through August 26, 2007. Cost \$3,800=. Deadline: Rolling Admissions

For details visit our web site [www.sea.ed](http://www.sea.ed) or contact he Admissions Office, Sea Education Association, Box 6, Woods Hole, MA 02543 or call (800) 552-3633 Ext. 35 (Dale Dean) Email [admission@sea.ed](mailto:admission@sea.ed) Costs will increase for the 2007, check our website for updates on cost for the programs.

**Wall Street 101 at Bentley College**, Waltham, MA a one week experience in Finance and The Market in the Trading Room at Bentley College. Designed for high school juniors & seniors. It will take place from July 22 to 28, 2007. Cost \$1,000. For details call Katherine Lampley, Dir. of Pre College Outreach at (781) 891-2244

**Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA 01609 "Frontiers in Science, Mathematics & Engineering"** Dates: July 8 to 20, 2007 -- Deadline: mid May Cost: \$2,100 - for talented high school students with a strong interest in science and who are entering their junior or senior year in high school.

Programs: Science, Technology & Engineering. For more detailed information call (508) 831-5286. Julie Chapman, Coordinator

**Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA 01609, "WUNDERS I & II" Program** - Girls in Math & Science Program is for female students in grades 9, 10, 11, 12. "Wunders I" July ages 9 & 10 and "Wunders II" ages 11 & 12. Dates of both programs July 15 to 25, 2007. App. Deadline early Mar., 2007 Cost: \$400. It's motto is "Learning about Engineering is about problem solving." 20 girls per prog., math., science friendly. Call (508) 831-5819

**Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA 01609, "STRIVE"** a program of academic enrichment and support for motivated, talented and under represented students of color, including students of African, Latino & American Indian descent. Dates: July 5 to July 14, 2007 – Sponsored by Intel -- contact the Office of Diversity or call (508) 831-5796 – Deadline: April 7, 2007 -Cost: \$500 (R/B/T) Financial Aid available on a need basis

**"Write for College"** a systematic approach to essay writing which has received considerable praise and professional endorsement. Where: Belmont, MA - Call (617) 489-5662 or write: Mr. Donald Stewart, 28 Cushing Ave., Belmont 02478 [www.writeforcollege.com](http://www.writeforcollege.com) Mr. Stewart is a tenured English teacher at the Belmont Hill School. Cost: \$785 -- 15 class meetings for 2 hours per day -- C.I. recommendation: strenuous but "worth it."

#### **Enrichment college credit programs for your consideration:**

Art Institute of Boston, 700 Beacon St., Boston, MA (617) 262-1223 Ext. 304

Barnard's Summer in New York A pre college program (co-ed & single sex), Barnard College of Columbia U., 3009 Broadway, NYC, NY 11027-6598

Brandeis University, Waltham, MA "Summer Odyssey", Box 9110, Waltham, MA 02254 call (781) 736-2111

"Genesis at Brandeis University" Integrating Art/Humanities/Jewish Studies, call (781) 736-8416

Museum of Fine Arts School, 230 The Fenway Boston, MA 02115 call (617) 257-1219 Email [coned@smfa.edu](mailto:coned@smfa.edu) "Art as Process"

Pratt Institute, "Summer in N.Y.C. Pre College Program in Art, Design & Architecture," call (718) 636-3453

Smith College "Summer Academic Program for High School Students," Science, Art & Humanities, call Dr. Robert Hosmer (413) 585-3299

Wesleyan University, Center for Creative Youth, Writing, Theater, Visual Arts, Middleton, CT 06459

**Additional source of Information** is the "Educational Opportunity Guide, Duke University Talented Identification Program, Durham "Peterson's Summer Guide"



