



**North Warren Jr./Sr. High School**  
**Guidance News**  
*January 2019*

***Class of 2019 Four-Year Acceptances to date:***

First Name	Last Name	Career / Major	Acceptances
Eliza	Brown	Criminal Justice	Florida Gulf Coast University, Siena College
Caitlin	Bohmer	Animation, Game Design	SCAD (Savannah College of Art & Design)
Jack	Buckman	Engineering (Mechanical)	Florida Institute of Tech, Siena 4+1
Victoria	Campbell	Social Work	The College of Saint Rose, Siena, SUNY Plattsburgh, University of Bridgeport
Sydney	Gagnon	Nurse Practitioner	Hartwick College
Julianna	Hilton	Psychology / Dance	Bridgewater, Dean College, Sage, Siena, SUNY Potsdam
Jay	Hopper	Athletic Training / Exercise Science	SUNY Brockport, Ithaca College, Northern Vermont University, Sage College of Albany, Plymouth State College, Siena College, SUNY Oneonta, Wells College
Chloe	Howe	Secondary English / Psychology	Alfred University, Buffalo State, Keuka College, SUNY Plattsburgh, SUNY Potsdam
Josh	Kersey	Psychology / Trades	SUNY Canton
Rosie	Lewis	Graphic Design	Hartwick College, Lesley University
Brandon	Olden	Exploratory Business	Siena, SUNY Plattsburgh
Jared	Maxwell	History	Word of Life
Olivia	Viele	Elementary Education	Albany College of Pharmacy, Siena, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Plattsburgh

***Student Recognition***

We are proud to recognize the following students on being outstanding representatives for their class:

- Congratulations to **Caleb Morehouse** for being selected as the **Rotary Student of the Month for December!**
- Congratulations to **Madison Jones** who has been chosen as the **North Warren Junior Student of the Month for December!**
- We are proud to recognize **Sydney Gagnon** on qualifying for the **Augsbury / North Country Scholarship** from St. Lawrence University. She will be granted scholarships of greater than \$108,000 should she choose to attend there.
- Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary sponsors a North Warren Junior Girl to participate in the **Empire Girls' State** at SUNY Brockport. These students are nominated due to having outstanding qualities of leadership, character, honesty, scholarship and maturity. We are proud to congratulate **Michaela DeFranco** on her nomination as our alternate delegate and **Jodi Bartlett** for being nominated as our primary delegate! Congratulations to both of them!
- The **New York Legion Boys' State** is an opportunity for participants to gain skills in citizenship and leadership training at Morrisville College in June. In order to qualify for this highly competitive program, students must exhibit the highest degree of leadership, character, scholarship and citizenship. This year we would like to congratulate both **Thomas Needham** and **Leonard Palmer** for their selection as primary delegates representing the North Warren Class of 2019.

## College Preparation

**Seniors:** Please don't forget to use [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) to fill out a profile and find scholarships that may be waiting for you. Scholarships are also announced during morning announcements, and are on the NWCS website @ <http://www.northwarren.k12.ny.us/Guidance/Docs/NWScholarships.pdf>

Seniors are also encouraged to ensure that their FAFSA, CSS Profiles, and financial aid documentation is submitted. **For maximum aid, this should be completed by the first week in February.** Please see [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) in order to complete your FAFSA worksheet and submit your application electronically. Please see the Financial Aid References from [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) for more details.

Seniors who are taking **Senior Seminar** are working on their Big's Journals as a means to document personal career, goal and leadership experiences, as they go through author Ben Carpenter's, book The Bigs - The Secrets You Need to Know to Succeed Beyond High School. A significant focus in this series is helping students to Choose, Get, and Do a Great Job in their selected vocation. Please see <http://www.thebigwebsite.com/> for more information. A Thank You to Ben Carpenter for providing his book and the video, free of charge to our Class of 2019 seniors!

## Acceptances

Now that we see some impressive acceptances in place, it is important to compare costs and college options. Some excellent resources covered in Senior Seminar include:

- *College Affordability and Transparency Center* – Provides many useful links for determining actual costs and comparing schools: <https://collegecost.ed.gov/>
- All financial aid determination starts with the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) <https://fafsa.ed.gov/> **Highly recommended to have completed by February 1st, 2019!**
- The New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) can be found at: <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/apply-for-financial-aid/nys-tap.html>
- The Excelsior Scholarship, in combination with other student financial aid programs, allows students to attend a SUNY or CUNY college tuition-free: <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior/>

## Additional Resources :

- All students in grades 8-12 have an excellent Career Assessment tool at [www.choices360.com](http://www.choices360.com). This tool provides 7 different assessments based on personal values, interests, skills, and aptitude to help students identify and choose their optimal career. Please ask your student about it or go to [www.choices360.com](http://www.choices360.com) for more information!
- See a list of best fit majors at [www.mymajors.com](http://www.mymajors.com) (Use *warren* as your key to print the \$15.00 profile for free)
- Also take a look at [www.nycareerzone.org](http://www.nycareerzone.org) for a quick glimpse of careers that are right for you!
- For information comparison between schools: [www.collegeresults.org](http://www.collegeresults.org)
- To proactively prepare for College and Career: [www.mycollegemax.com](http://www.mycollegemax.com)

## Additional Financial Aid Info for Seniors!

The **SUNY Adirondack Financial Aid Office** has individual appointments available for people who would like help filling out their FAFSA and/or TAP applications. Please contact them at 518.743.2223 or [finaidoffice@sunyacc.edu](mailto:finaidoffice@sunyacc.edu) to set up an appointment. As a reminder, it highly recommended to have this completed by February 1st, 2019.

## Junior Parent Night

On **Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 to 8:00 pm**, in the High School Library - All juniors and their parents are encouraged to participate in the **Ready, Set, College...** presentation. Sarah Barrett of the Russell Sage Colleges will be with us to provide an informative presentation to ensure that students and parents have all the information needed to prepare for senior year and future planning. All junior students have completed their preliminary course selections for next year. Any parents who wish to meet regarding their student's plans for next year, please contact Mr. Therio at 494-3015, ext.752 to set up a meeting.

## **Spring 2019 College Caravan**

Students in Grades 10 and 11 will be invited to come and meet with the representatives of 25 Colleges and Schools who will be visiting North Warren in the atrium on **Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**, from 1:30 to 2:00 PM.

## **SAT and ACT Testing for 2019**

All **juniors** are encouraged to take their **SAT and/or ACT** in the Spring of this year. For the second consecutive year, North Warren is again offering an **SAT School Day Test** date on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. This provides the advantage of testing at North Warren without Saturday conflicts. To participate, Juniors must be pre-registered by February 15<sup>th</sup> with Mr. Therio. Please make checks payable to North Warren CSD, with SAT Test Fee written on your memo line. Please provide payment no later than Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> to the Guidance Office. (\$47.50 without essay, or \$64.50 with essay) For more information, please see, <https://pages.collegeboard.org/sat/school-day/parents>.

You can register using the [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) website to register for the Saturday SAT examinations taking place in March, May or June. Please remember to use our school code of 331365. Please also note the enhanced security procedures for registration and the requirement to upload a photo when registering. In addition, March 9<sup>th</sup> is the deadline date to register for the April 14<sup>th</sup> ACT. You can register using the [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) website. Please see Mr. Therio if you need any help registering.

## **New Visions**

Juniors that are interested in participating in the **New Visions Health Careers** or **Engineering** program as a senior next year, are encouraged to attend the **Parent/New Student Information** Session scheduled in March. Applications for these competitive programs must be submitted no later than March 31<sup>st</sup>. On Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, representatives from New Visions also met with juniors at North Warren. For more information, please contact Mr. Therio. Locations for for the March sessions are:

### ***New Visions Engineering Parent & Student Information Session***

**Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**  
**Southern Adirondack Education Center**  
**1051 Dix Avenue, Hudson Falls**

### ***New Visions Health Careers Exploration Information Session***

**Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm**  
**Glens Falls Hospital Auditorium B**

## **Freshmen and Sophomore Planning Night**

On **Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**, presenters from BOCES Career and Technical Education, Early College and Career Academy, New Visions and North Warren Central School, provided an overview of options for next year's juniors and each of the program requirements to participate. A copy of the entire presentation was emailed to all 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade parents. For more information about these programs, please contact Mr. Therio.

In December, sophomore students with an interest in taking a BOCES program for next year were provided with an opportunity to visit the Southern Adirondack Education center for a tour of the **Career and Technical Education** programs available there. Most BOCES programs run for 2 years, with students beginning in their Junior year. Students who plan to attend a BOCES program next year were required to attend this field trip. For those that choose a BOCES program, an **Intent to Participate in a BOCES Program** form must be returned to Guidance no later than February 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Therio will either meet with, or have a conference call with all parents who return this form. *There is no guarantee that BOCES slots will be available if no form is returned prior to this date.*

## **Early College Career Academy**

For next year's juniors who plan to apply for an Early College Career Academy program, a visit to the program of interest must take place by the end of January, an **Intent to Participate in an ECCA Program** form must be returned to Guidance no later than February 1st. Please see Mr. Therio for any questions you may have!

**Summer School Information** - Now that we are half-way through the 2018 - 2019 Academic Year, it is important to be aware of the Summer School 2019 options. The Queensbury summer school program will remain an option, which as in the past, will require parents to pay for the \$100.00 fee per class, and to transport their own students. For those who are unable to participate in the Queensbury option, there is an online course option being offered through Educere, an online provider of New York State certified classes, with daily online teaching support from 7:30 a.m - 7:30 p.m. In addition, they will also provide weekly progress updates to students, parents and school administration. The cost for this option is \$195.00 per class, which must begin by July 1st, and be fully completed by Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Courses must be completed by this date in order to be accepted for credit. Please see

<https://www.educere.net/myCourses.asp?pageID=25377.10044> for more information.

With two quarters remaining in the school year, please plan on completing all coursework during the year to avoid the need for and cost of summer school!

***Have a great February!***



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