



North Warren Jr./Sr. High School
Guidance News
January 2018

Class of 2018 Four-Year Acceptances to date:

First Name	Last Name	Career / Major	Acceptances
Dylan	Baker	Physical Therapy	Siena College, Ithaca College, Mount Saint Mary College, SUNY Brockport, Wells College
Cristina	Becerra	Elementary Education	SUNY Plattsburgh
Paige	Campbell	Elementary Education	SUNY Buffalo, SUNY Canton, SUNY Plattsburgh, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Potsdam, Sage Colleges
Peter	Clune	PE, Coaching	Plymouth State University
Shyann	Durham	Elementary Education	Alfred University, SUNY Oneonta, Sage Colleges, SUNY Potsdam, University of Vermont
Brooke	French	Law, Legal Professions	Elmira College, Pace University, Roanoke College, SUNY Cortland
Jonathan	Hart	Zoology	Green Mountain College, Paul Smith's College, SUNY Cobleskill, SUNY Delhi, SUNY Morrisville
Alyssa	Kramar	Elementary Education	SUNY Potsdam
Brett	Lail	Digital Media	SUNY Potsdam
Owen	Librett	Communications, Education	College of Saint Rose, Hartwick, Siena, SUNY Plattsburgh, SUNY Potsdam
Delilah	Monroe	Education (choreography)	St. Lawrence University, SUNY Brockport, SUNY Fredonia, SUNY Potsdam
Joseph	Pepin	Business Administration	Utica College
Mason	Phillips	Criminal Justice	SUNY Potsdam
Andrew	Piper	Adventure Sports, Photography	SUNY Canton

Two-Year Acceptances

The following Class of 2018 members also have acceptances for SUNY Adirondack:

Summer Baker, Cristina Becerra, Paige Campbell, Peter Clune, Shyann Durham, Cassidy Falk, Evan Frasier, Kylee Granger, Jonathan (Cordell) Hart, Emilee James, Chloe Jones, Brett Lail, Mason Phillips, Andrew Piper, Glenn Redmon, Joseph Slattery and Ben Storman.

For Herkimer Community College, (PTA Program), and Onondaga Community College:

Chloe Jones

For Motorcycle Mechanics Institute (MMI):

Xavier Hitchcock

Student Recognition

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

- Congratulations to **Shyann Durham** for being selected as the **Rotary Student of the Month for December!**
- Congratulations to **Caleb Morehouse** has been chosen as the **North Warren Junior Student of the Month for December!**
- We are proud to recognize **Delilah Monroe** 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 **Mattie Beadnell** on her nomination as our alternate delegate and **Sydney Gagnon** 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 service. This year we would like to congratulate both **Jack Buckman** and **Caleb Morehouse** for their selection as primary delegates representing the North Warren Class of 2018. We would also like to congratulate **Brandon Olden** on being named as an alternate delegate.

College Preparation

Seniors: Please don't forget to use 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.northwarrencsd.org/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 in order to complete your FAFSA worksheet and submit your application electronically. Please see the Financial Aid References from 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.thebigsworld.com/> for more information. A Thank You to Ben Carpenter for providing his book and the video, free of charge to our Class of 2018 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, 2018!**
- 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 a new Career Assessment tool at 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 for more information!
- See a list of best fit majors at www.mymajors.com (Use *warren* as your key to print the \$15.00 profile for free)
- Also take a look at www.nycareerzone.org for a quick glimpse of careers that are right for you!
- For information comparison between schools: www.collegeresults.org
- To proactively prepare for College and Career: www.mycollegemax.com

Additional Financial Aid Info for Seniors!

The **SUNY Adirondack Financial Aid Office** has one-on-one 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 to set up an appointment. As a reminder, it is highly recommended to have this completed by February 1st, 2018.

Junior Parent Night

On **Thursday, March 8th, 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 Buckley 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.

SAT and ACT Testing for 2018

All **juniors** are encouraged to take their **SAT and/or ACT** in the Spring of this year. Please note that February 9th is the deadline date to register for the March 10th SAT test. You can register using the www.collegeboard.com website. 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 9th is the deadline date to register for the April 14th ACT. You can register using the 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 31st. On Wednesday, January 24th, representatives from New Visions also met with juniors at North Warren. For more information, please contact Mr. Therio. Locations for the March sessions are:

New Visions Engineering Parent & Student Information Session

Tuesday, March 6th @ 6pm

Southern Adirondack Education Center

1051 Dix Avenue, Hudson Falls

New Visions Health Careers Exploration Information Session

Wednesday, March 7th @ 6pm

Glens Falls Hospital Auditorium B

Freshmen and Sophomore Planning Night

On **Monday, January 8th**, 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 9th and 10th grade parents. For more information about these programs, please contact Mr. Therio.

On **Tuesday, January 30th**, sophomore students with an interest in taking a BOCES program for next year will be 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 are 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 2nd. 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 a BOCES Program** form must be returned to Guidance no later than February 2nd. Please see Mr. Therio for any questions you may have!

Attendance Policy Reminder

All students and parents are asked to please remember that absences can result in loss of academic credit. For a full year course, credit is lost at 20 days, while for a half year course, credit is lost at only 10 days. All absences are included in the initial count of days.

(Any absences due to medical appointments will be marked as Medically Excused if a note is returned within 3 days of the absence. Initially, these absences will also be included in the count of days, however, in situations where credit loss is at risk, the Attendance Committee will meet to evaluate the situation and determine if days can be removed from the overall count. If parents have any concerns regarding their unique student circumstances, please contact the principal or school counselor, so that the committee can meet to evaluate.*

Summer School Update - Now that we are half-way through the 2017 - 2018 Academic Year, it is important to remind both students and parents of the changes to the Summer School 2018 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 this year 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 2nd, and be fully completed by Tuesday, August 14th. 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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