



News from Ms. Greene, BRACE Advisor

Greetings from the Brace Office! Please call (754) 323-1817 with any questions you may have regarding BRACE News.

Bookings - I have set up my Bookings App page. If you would like to schedule a brief meeting (25 minutes or less) or a post-secondary conference (approximately 45 minutes) you can log in to:

<https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/MsGreeneBraceAdvisor@browardcountyschools.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>

Brace Office Website:

[bit.ly/sbhsbrace](https://bit.ly/sbhsbrace)



Oh the angst of being a high school senior...When you're not doing homework, participating in extracurricular activities, hanging with friends, sleeping, eating or texting, here's what seniors are likely thinking about: their college list, testing, upcoming campus visits, college applications, the Common Application essay, supplemental essays, transcripts, an activity list, letters of recommendation, and scholarships.

Let's try to de-stress the situation by creating a Fall timeline and breaking each of these bigger tasks into more manageable pieces.

Check them off as you complete them:

- Finalize the college list by making certain it is a balanced list with reach/target/safety schools
- Be sure to include an in-state safety school for financial reasons
- Review the standardized testing calendar and register for the SAT in October, November or December or the ACT in October or December
- Find out if any of the colleges on your list have separate "Scholarship Deadlines" – they are earlier than the traditional deadlines and you forfeit your opportunity for scholarship opportunities if you don't apply by that deadline
- Check your school's calendar and take advantage of any teacher workdays and schedule campus visits
- See if any of the colleges you're considering offer Open House Dates or Discovery Days for seniors
- Determine which schools offer Early Action
- Decide if a binding Early Decision option at one college makes sense
- Figure out which of the colleges on your final list are on the Common Application and which are not
- Research the number of essays required or recommended by each college and create a document for each college listing their essay prompts and their deadlines
- Set up accounts on each college's website
- Prepare a timeline of activity based on each college's deadline
- Brainstorm essay ideas for colleges with the earliest deadlines first
- Write a first draft of essays
- Edit essays and yes, edit again
- Ask a trusted source to review your essays
- Meet with college representatives when they visit your school
- Review and then order high school transcripts
- Prepare your resume/prag sheet/activity list and give it to your recommenders
- Research which colleges accept letters of recommendation and find out how many they require and how many they will accept
- Ask teachers, coaches, advisors and employers for letters of recommendation
- Begin researching scholarship opportunities

# UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS



Florida State University (FSU) – September 21<sup>st</sup>



University of Florida (UF) – September 30<sup>th</sup>



University of Central Florida (UCF) – October 12th



Looking for a small sized college, discover Lynn University during a live chat. Panelists will include two current students, an admission counselor and professor who will answer questions. The event will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 14, 7-8 p.m. Go to [chat.lynn.edu](http://chat.lynn.edu) to register.

## 2021-22 SAT Administration Dates and Deadlines

<b>October 2, 2021</b> <a href="#">Register</a>	September 3, 2021	September 21, 2021 (for registrations made online or by phone)	September 21, 2021
<b>November 6, 2021</b> <a href="#">Register</a>	October 8, 2021	October 26, 2021 (for registrations made online or by phone)	October 26, 2021
<b>December 4, 2021</b> <a href="#">Register</a>	November 4, 2021	November 23, 2021 (for registrations made online or by phone)	November 23, 2021

**Take the ACT on October 23!**

The deadline to register is September 17.

[Register for the ACT](#)

# COLLEGE 101



What to do, When to do it, and How



**Explore. > Apply. > Fund. > Go.**

Hear from Florida's experts on the steps you should take to explore your options and start your journey after High School.

**September 20 – 23, 2021  
6:00 – 7:30 PM ET**



**Register for this FREE online event**



This event is possible because of the following partners:



- **Explore- September 20, 2021 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

There are multiple pathways to success, including career/technical programs, 2-year and 4-year degrees. Come learn about the main options and how to figure out which one is the right match for you.

- **Apply- September 21, 2021 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

Learn how to put your best foot forward in your college application and how to ace the essay.

- **Fund- September 22, 2021 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

There are 3 main ways to pay for college. Learn about each and how to ensure you get all you qualify for.

- **Go- September 23, 2021 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

You've applied. You've been accepted. Summer is an important time to finish steps so you can start strong in the fall.

Students should visit [FloridaShines.org](https://www.floridashines.org) and register for this **free** event filled with valuable college resources!



The Broward County Gator Club is seeking ENERGETIC volunteers who want to earn community service hours. You would be volunteering at Gator football watch parties at participating restaurants.

There is also an opportunity to earn scholarships for students enrolling at the University of Florida. Students would only be asked to help for games that start before 3:30 pm on Saturday afternoons. For more information, contact Ranata Simmons at [bccgoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:bccgoutreach@gmail.com).

Going Merry Scholarships with September Deadlines:

[Mola Foods Culinary Scholarship \(2021\)](#)

Amount: \$500

[Cameron Impact Scholarship](#)

Amount: Varies

[The Gates Scholarship](#)

Amount: Varies

[Ayn Rand "Atlas Shrugged" Essay Contest](#)

Amount: \$25,000

[Nicholas Braswell Strong Roots Scholarship](#)

Amount: \$500

[Out-of-the-Box Thinking Scholarship](#)

Amount: \$1,250

[Beldon Scholarship](#)

Amount: \$1,000

[Stanford Advanced Materials College Scholarship 2021](#)

Amount: \$1,000

[Be the Boss Scholarship](#)

Amount: \$2,000