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PRINCIPAL

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From the principal:



Good evening graduates...congratulations on your attainment of a very important milestone in your lives. My advice to you this evening is a little bit more on the practical side. What I am about to share with you is based on the work and advice of Columnist, Mary Schmich whose column first appeared in The Chicago Tribune on June 1st, 1997. The title of the column is, "Wear Sunscreen"

Mary Schmich so eloquently proclaims....

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Wear Sunscreen.

If I could offer you only one tip for the future, sunscreen would be it.

The long term benefits of sunscreen have been proven by scientists.

Whereas the rest of my advice has no basis more reliable than my own meandering experience.

I will dispense this advice now.

Enjoy the power and beauty of your youth

Oh, never mind.

You will not understand the power and beauty of your youth until they've faded

But trust me.

In twenty years, you'll look back at photos of yourself and recall in a way you can't grasp now how much possibility lay before you and how fabulously you really looked.

You are not as fat as you imagine.

Don't worry about the future. Or worry, but know that worrying is as effective as trying to solve an algebra equation by chewing bubble gum.

The real troubles in your life are apt to be things that never crossed your worried mind.

The kind that blindsides you at 4:00 p.m. on some idle Tuesday.

Do one thing every day that scares you.

Sing.

Don't be reckless with other people's hearts.

Don't put up with people who are reckless with yours.

Floss.

Don't waste your time on jealousy.

Sometimes you're ahead.

Sometimes you're behind.

The race is long.

And, in the end, it's only with yourself.

Remember the compliments you receive.

Forget the insults.

If you succeed in doing this, tell me how.

Keep your old love letters.

Throw away your old bank statements.

Stretch.

Don't feel guilty if you don't know what you want to do with your life.

The most interesting people I know didn't know at 18 what they wanted to do with their lives.

Some of the most interesting forty year olds I know still don't.

Get plenty of calcium.

Be kind to your knees,

You'll miss them when they're gone.

Maybe you'll marry, maybe you won't.

Maybe you'll have children, maybe you won't.

Maybe you'll divorce at forty, but maybe you'll dance the funky chicken on your 75th wedding anniversary.

Whatever you do, don't congratulate yourself too much or berate yourself either.

Your choices are half chance.

So are everybody elses.

Enjoy your body.

Use it every way you can.

Don't be afraid of it or what other people think of it.

It's the greatest instrument you'll ever own.

Dance.

Even if you have nowhere to do it but in your own living room.

Read the directions, even if you don't follow them.

Do not read beauty magazines, they will only make you feel ugly.

Get to know your parents.

You never know when they'll be gone for good.

Be nice to your siblings.

They're your best link to your past and the people most likely to stick with you in the future.

Understand that friends come and go but for the precious few you should hold on.

Work hard to bridge the gaps in geography and lifestyle.

Because the older you get, the more you need the people who knew you when you were young.

Live in New York City once, but leave before it makes you hard.

Live in northern California once, but leave before it makes you soft.

Travel.

Accept certain inalienable truths:

Prices will rise.

Politicians will philander.

You, too, will get old.

And when you do, you'll fantasize that when you were young:

Prices were reasonable.

Politicians were noble.

And children respected their elders.

Respect your elders.

Don't expect anyone else to support you.

Maybe you'll have a trust fund.

Maybe you'll have a wealthy spouse.

But you never know when either one might run out.

Don't mess too much with your hair or by the time you're forty it will look eighty-five

Be careful whose advice you buy,

But, be patient with those who supply it.

Advice is a form of nostalgia,

Dispensing it is a way of fishing the past from the disposal, wiping it off, painting over the ugly parts, and recycling it for more than it's worth.

But trust me on the sunscreen.

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Schaumburg High School, I want to congratulate the class of 2018 and wish you the very best in the years to come.

Forever a SAXON,

Timothy Jay Little
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 30	Summer School Begins
June 21	Second Semester Summer School Begins
July 4	Building Closed
July 23- August 7	Walk-in Registration
August 6	IHSA Fall Sports Begin
August 7	Freshman Kick-Off 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Incoming Freshmen Only
August 13	First Day of School

TRANSCRIPT REQUEST - JUNIORS

Schaumburg High School and District 211 have partnered with Parchment to allow students to send out their transcripts electronically. All of our student transcripts will be processed through this electronic process.

Juniors were sent log in information to their school email accounts and counselors met with their students to establish their Parchment accounts. Contact your student's counselor if you have any questions.

PAYBUS RIDER INFORMATION

Bus transportation for students who reside within 1.5 miles is available at a cost of **\$200.00** per year. In order to assure seating and develop the most efficient bus routes and schedules, the transportation department needs to know residence location of each student to be transported well before the start of school; therefore, **reservations for pay bus rider seating must be received no later than June 29, 2018. Reservations received after June 29, 2018 are subject to a \$35.00 late registration fee.** For more information or for reservation forms contact the Transportation Office at: 847-755-6796

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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2018

Congratulations to the Class of 2018. Five hundred and fifty seniors proudly marched across the stage to receive diplomas at the 46th Annual Commencement Exercise on Monday, May 21. The graduates have focused on academic achievement, have been involved in extracurricular activities, cared for others, and maintained a focus on their future. Their academic excellence resulted in more than 9 million dollars in scholarships. The Class of 2018 is well prepared to move on to the next phase of their lives.

The leadership and support of the Senior Class Executive Board has been very much appreciated. These class leaders successfully guided the Class of 2018 through decorating the hallway for Homecoming and assisting with the senior panoramic photo, senior picnic, brunch, and graduation practice. This year's Senior Executive Board members consist of **Mykala Birch, Krislyn Cardoza, Trinity Corwin, Magda Jasinska, Jake Schneider, Sarah Spears, Emily Staudt, Brianna Travers, and Erykah Walton.**

The senior class sponsors are **Mrs. Becker** and **Mrs. Casamassimo.**

ADVICE FOR COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENTS

Packing 101

Clothes, appliances, furniture, room decorations - figuring out what and how much of it to lug to school can really try a student's sanity. Here are some packing suggestions from the staff of Yale Daily News, author's of Kaplan's books by students for students. While clothing is a must-have item, these other not-so-obvious items have all been known to come in handy:

- **Bathroom and medicine chest items:** Toothpaste, toothbrushes, razor blades, shaving cream, soap, soap dish, shampoo, conditioner, something to carry it all to the shower in, deodorant, blow dryer, hairbrush, tweezers, nail clipper, nail file, emery boards, brush, mirror, tissues, cotton balls, Q-tips, TP, glasses, contact solution, prescription medication in original containers, pain relievers, sun block, moisturizer, Band-Aids, first aid kit.
- **Electronics and appliances:** Light bulbs, desk lamp, bed lamp, alarm clock, clock-radio, CDs, TV, computer-printer, refrigerator, microwave, can/bottle opener, hotpot, fan, camera, three 2-prong adapters, extension cords, surge protector.
- **For your bed:** Extra-long sheets, pillowcases, and pillows, study pillow, comforter, mattress pad.
- **Miscellaneous room items:** Mirror, bulletin board, bookshelves, wastepaper basket, picture hooks, hammer, nails, screws, Crazy Glue, stick-up hooks, utensils, plates, cups or mugs, drying rack, iron/ironing board, laundry bag, detergent, closet organizer, clothes basket, hangers, hook for laundry bag.
- **Desk items and academic supplies:** Backpack, pens, pencils, sharpener, notebooks, clipboard, highlighter, memo board for door or desk, envelopes, stamps, stationery, address book, scissors, paper clips, rubber bands, Scotch tape, hole puncher, ruler, calculator, pocket and desk calendars, paper, staples, stapler and staple remover, dictionary, thesaurus, style guide, book of quotations.
- **Campus Fire Safety:** <http://shs.d211.org/campus-fire-safety/>

Adapted from the Yale Daily News Guide to Succeeding in College by Shaheena Ahmad

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Edwin Suresh who was named to the Illinois High School Associations's 2017-2018 All-State Academic Team. To be a member, students must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale after their 7th semester, participated in at least two IHSA sponsored sports or activities during each of the last two years, and have demonstrated good citizenship. Edwin was selected from more than 400 students from across the state, as one of 13 males, joining 13 females on the 26-member team.

The following students earned honors in statewide Debate competition and were recognized by the Board of Education: **Stafanie Portillo, Bhavya Shah and Giselle Soares.**



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HONORS CONVOCATION

The annual Awards Night Convocation was held on April 30. The class of 2018 has earned an impressive amount of scholarship money. Nick Kostalek, College Counselor, announced that as of April 30, seniors have been awarded more than \$9 million of college scholarship money. In addition to the post-secondary scholarships awarded, a number of academic honors were presented in the following categories:

- Senior Academic Honors
- Illinois State Scholars
- Department Awards for Outstanding Seniors

Applied Technology

Robert Grasse

Arden Mroz

Art

Megan McGowan

Tyler Tyndal

Business Education

Mykala Birch

Sindy Sariev

English

Krislyn Cardoza

Maddie Maslan

ESL

Jinkle Modi

Family & Consumer Science

Bryn Gallagher

Marianna Granados

Mathematics

Uma Pradeepan

Edwin Suresh

Music

Daniel Burke

Emily Safakas

Physical Education

Faith Binder

Tomasz Wieczorek

Science

Krzysztof Dutka

Bharvya Shah

Social Studies

Christian Monzon

Adam Stieber

Special Education

Crescenza Copertino

Student Services

Ardit Breznica

Kaylee Bochenek

World Language

Nabiha Farshori

Molly Ward

TOP TEN PIECES OF ADVICE FOR COLLEGE TOURS

The responsibility of visiting the campus, perhaps the most important part of the college selection process clearly is on the shoulders of the student and the parents. But don't despair, for help is arriving: Here is a top 10 list, popularized by a late-night television host who shall remain nameless. Ladies and gentlemen: The top 10 pieces of advice for visiting colleges.

Number 10: Your counselor stands at the ready, armed with college grads, loaded with computer software, burdened with shelf after overcrowded shelf of catalogues. And still we get Sally who is going to visit State U. because Aunt Martha told her that Josie really liked it there. The first rule is: Make informed decisions. This starts with researching thoroughly before you leave, with the help of an expert!

Number 9: Vary the size of the schools you visit. Ideally, counselees and their parents should plan to see at least three sizes – small (up to 3,000), medium (3,000 – 10,000) and large/extra large (beyond 10,000) to properly gauge at which they feel most comfortable and maybe more importantly, if size should be a factor at all.

Number 8: Even if you don't get that magical school in that state far, far away, you can still visit a number of schools in a short time.

Here's how: Go on school holidays - Columbus Day and Veterans Day weekends in the fall afford the quick, three-day trip when high schools aren't in session, but colleges generally are. Most schools give Saturday tours. See a couple, maybe three – Many times you can view one in the morning and another in the afternoon, or the next day. Get those maps out. School-sponsored vehicles – More schools are coming out to metropolitan areas with vans and buses and picking up interested students at convenient locales for trips to campus at very low costs. Ask your counselor about these.

Number 7: Take your Parents – Yes, I know it won't be as much fun as driving up there with your friends, but, face it: Your friends aren't paying mega bucks over the next four or five years in the hope that you will study enough to get that sheepskin. Your parents wouldn't buy a house sight unseen; neither are they going to invest in your future without a clue.

Number 6: Take the tour – Sorry, drive-throughs just don't cut it. Here's how you do it: Call the admissions office; tell them you're a high school student who would like to come for a visit. Most schools have tours either "on the hour" or one in the morning. They will usually send you a confirmation with parking and lodging information.

Before you go, get an unofficial transcript from your high school, which reflects your grades, class rank, and possibly your test scores. Someone from the admissions office will probably be able to give you a quick analysis of your likelihood of being admitted.

The tours are generally led by upperclassmen who have been trained to know just about everything about the school and can give you all this information while walking backward through campus. They'll take you through most of the classroom buildings and recreational facilities, the Union, and probably a dorm or two.

Number 5: Visit your major – This part isn't for everyone. For students who are undecided about exactly which major to pursue, this might be a good time to write down your impressions of the school, or revisit a building of interest.

Those of you who have a good idea that a specific major is in your future will probably want to visit that department and talk with professors, students in that field, or both. Usually a short tour of the facility is also included.

Number 4: Ask good questions – Good in this case means appropriate queries about a typical freshman class size, how competitive the academics are, opportunities for study abroad, ethnic makeup of campus, number of fraternities and sororities, and the assigning of roommates are just samples of the literally hundreds of good questions one could ask. Most counselors have a list of appropriate questions for both students and parents to ask, which not only will give a great thumbnail sketch of the school, but also make you all seem very smart in the process! Finally, remember to ask the same questions at the next school, so you have a basis of comparison.

Number 3: Leave your parents – Not for good, mind you, but now it's time for the ways to part. Synchronize your watches to meet at the car in about an hour.

Students – Go to the Union, get a Coke, talk about what your room is going to look like, time a walk from the dorm to campus, read the handouts on the kiosk (that information post in the quad), talk with some students, imagine yourself at this school.

Parents – Walk over to the financial aid office and find out what it's really going to cost, check out the campus security system, talk about what his room is going to look like, check out parent visitation days, read a school newspaper, find the washing machines in the dorms, (notice how unused they look!), imagine him/her at this school. Then, return to the car.

Number 2: Review the school – Take it from a person of experience, you must review now. Counselors can supply you with comparative checklists where you can cite all those factors like size, location, and selectivity of admission, curriculum, housing, security, and facilities, which you deem important. As with the questions on the tour, it is important to compare using the same criteria. End your discussion with each person's top three to five likes and dislikes about the school.

Number 1: Trust your feelings – Here it is. The moment of truth. When counselees are asked why they picked that school, many, many times the answer comes back: "Because it felt right." Nothing more scientific than that. The parents are usually over there, nodding, because they know it felt right, too. So much for having a system! Whether you use all these suggestions, or none, the importance of making informed decisions in the college selection process cannot be overemphasized. Nowhere is that more important than in the planning and taking of a comprehensive college visit.

FALL ATHLETIC REMINDER

Any students interested in trying out for a fall athletic team must complete the online registration found on the Schaumburg athletic web site and have a current physical on file with the school nurse by **WEDNESDAY, Aug. 1, 2018** in order to be cleared in time for the start of fall athletics.

STATE QUALIFIERS

Boys Gymnastics:

Sectional and Conference Champions

Brandon Nyborg: All Around, Floor, Pommel Horse, Still Rings, Parallel Bars, High Bar

Oscar Kulesza: All Around, Floor, Pommel Horse, Still Rings, Vault, Parallel Bars, High Bar

Nathan Frank: Floor, Pommel Horse, Still Rings, High Bar

Jake Raeside: Still Rings

Jimmy Minard: Still Rings

Trent Ramirez: Pommel Horse

Sean Kraemer: High Bar

Girls Badminton:

Sanjana Patel Doubles
Sindy Sariev

Girls Track & Field:

Jackie Williams: Triple Jump
Megan Gale: Pole Vault
Madison Marasco 800m Run

Maggy Centeno 4x800m Relay
Lauren Kubinski
Rachael Vaccaro
Madison Marasco

Maggy Centeno, 4x400m Relay
Sarah Miller,
Rachael Vaccaro,
Madison Marasco

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SCHAUMBURG HIGH SCHOOL DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE 2018: ROBERT HOMMOWUN

The Schaumburg High School Distinguished Graduate Committee is proud to announce that the 2018 recipient of the Distinguished Graduate Award is Robert Hommowun. Robert graduated from Schaumburg High School in 1973 and attended Western Illinois University, earning his Bachelors of Business in Computer Sciences and his MBA in International Finance. After working for Walt Disney Imagineering, Cigna Healthcare, and Earnst & Young Consulting, Robert began working as a Diplomat in residence for the U.S. Department of State. Since 2002, Robert has served as a Foreign Service Officer and was previously stationed in the Ukraine, Northern Ireland, United Arab Emirates, and Iraq. Currently, Robert is a U.S. Diplomat serving in Rwanda where he is the First Secretary, interacting daily with officials from the government of Rwanda. Schaumburg High School is pleased to welcome Robert back to his alma mater and honor the many accomplishments he has attained while serving our nation with distinction.

SPRING ATHLETIC ACADEMIC AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following Spring I.H.S.A. Achievement Award and M.S.L. All Academic Award recipients. I.H.S.A. Achievement Award recipients are seniors and juniors who have a cumulative 3.5 or better G.P.A. and M.S.L. All Academic Award Recipients are seniors who have maintained a cumulative 3.0 or better G.P.A.

3.0 MSL Academic Award recipients

Paul Anderson, Lindsey Bach, Michael Baranowski, Julian Bautista, Grant Behrens, Jacob Bishop, Chase Buchanan, Daniel Burke, Michael Burke, Nicholas Calip, Amanda Chin, David Drs, Cole Fentem, Andrew Feucht, Rachel Gershman, Robert Grasse, Alec Greenholdt, Kyle Grubb, Melissa Harder, Ingrid Hay, Matthew Hoppesch, Kelsey Horwath, Daaniyaal Hussain, Samuel Jaimes, Brandon Jaimes, Magdalena Jasinska, Nathan Kasner, Daniel Kaszuba, Meghan Kier, Jayme Kissamis, Rachel Kissamis, Dana Kizskowski, Sean Kraemer, Adam Kubicek, Lauren Kubinski, Wei Ping Lam, Janalee Lyke, Taylor Mache, Madison Marasco, Sarah Miller, Karthik Myneni, Emily Nakano, Sarah Nelson, Abraham Nevarez Valles, Orianna O'Mera, Gabrielle Paelmo, Sanjana Patel, Nele Radons, Jacob Raeside, Nicholas Rieger, Ellyana Rogenski, Ruan Sakamoto, Sindy Sariev, Zachary Studzinski, Sydney Sturino Tyler Tyndal, Rachael Vaccaro, Alexis Carmen Wilder, Cameron Willming, Kevin Yuen, Karsten Zielinski

3.5 IHSA Academic Award recipients

Brody Adelman, Kaila Alvarez, Lindsey Bach, Daniel Burke, Michael Burke, Michelle Candotti, Lindsey Carpenter, Cedric-Jay Celino, Dhyey Dixit, David Drs, Olivia Dussel, Cole Fentem, Andrew Feucht, Megan Gale, Rachel Gershman, Robert Grasse, Youana Habib, Ingrid Hay, Matthew Hoppesch, Kelsey Horwath, Brandon Jaimes, Magdalena Jasinska, Rashini Jayawardena, Tahzeeb Khan, Rachel Kissamis, Adam Kubicek, Chalisa Kulprathipanja, Oliwia Kus, Armanjot Lakhen, Wei Ping Lam, Kyra Lewis, Jaime Lyke, Taylor Mache, Cole Mache, Madison Marasco, Corinne McCormick, Brinda Mehta, Daniel Meister, Austin Morales-Sanchez, Sage Morton, Sarah Nelson, Gladys Osei, Gabrielle Paelmo, Stefanie Portillo, Trent Ramirez, Ryan Rieger, Alexandria Ruscheinsky, Sindy Sariev, Thomas Schluckbier, Sydney Sturino, Tyler Tyndal, Logan Velasco, Hannah Wang, Hannah Wishnew

INCOMING FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

Incoming freshman students and their parents are invited to participate in a summer orientation program with high school counselors. During this program, students will gain an understanding of the curriculum, student services, and school activities. Guided tours of the school and facilities will be available for parents and students at this time.

Specific information about incoming freshman summer orientation is available on the SHS website or call 847-755-4630.