

Class of 2024



Senior Class Parent Presentation



CY-FAIR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Today's Students – Tomorrow's Future

Senior Parent/Student Night 2023

HISTORY

- Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (“CFEF”) founded in 1970 by Cy-Fair business & community leaders as 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization
- CFEF Board consists of approximately 65 volunteer Board trustees committed to assisting students with post high school educational pursuits
- Vision - Provide financial assistance to Cy-Fair Independent School District (“CFISD”) students wanting to attend college
- Mission - Singularly committed to fundraising & scholarships for students from CFISD
- Completely aligned with CFISD due to our financial assistance awarded ONLY to CFISD students



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CFEF IMPACT

- Celebrating 53 years - Awards total over \$11.5 Million to 2,500+ students
- Donated approximately \$4 million for CFISD staff development programs through the Salute to the Stars Event (which started in 1998)
- Awarded \$885,700 to 143 CFISD 2023 graduating seniors
- Awards provided to students attending many colleges/universities including Lone Star College
- Scholarship / Award amounts range from \$1000 - \$32,000 each
 - Minimum 3 awards per high school
- Provide financial assistance to CFISD students wanting to attend college
 - Very important that students complete the FAFSA ("Free Application for Federal Student Aid") form to access financial resources like Federal Pell Grants and Texas Grants
 - Applying by Oct. 1 could provide greater opportunity to access such resources
 - Certain public universities provide tuition assistance based on economic need but FAFSA is required

CFEF FUNDRAISERS

- BF Adam Golf Classic
- Salute to the Stars
- Salute to Our Heroes
- Houston Methodist Cy-Hoops Invitational
- CFEF Sporting Clay
- Donate to Educate
- Corporate Partners / Individual Donors / Endowment Partners





CFEF SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- Scholarships based on financial need, scholastic achievements and leadership qualities
- November 20, 2023 – Online application should be available on CFEF website
- January 12, 2024 – Anticipated deadline for online application for certain CFEF awards
- March 2024 – Anticipated date for online application for CFEF Schroeder application on website
 - Requires Lone Star College attendance
- April 2024 - Deadline for online application for Edwin Schroeder endowment awards
 - Awarded to CFISD senior students attending Lone Star College
 - 35-50 scholarships - \$2,000 each



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WAYS TO STAY INFORMED



CFEF WEBSITE
TheCFEF.org



CFEF OFFICE
281-370-0144



**CONTACT
COUNSELORS AT
HIGH SCHOOL**



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ATTENTION 2024 SENIORS!!! BRIDGELAND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION SUPPLIES ORDERING



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Sample Text Included Below

Sarah Nicole Anderson

*The Senior Class of
Bridgeland High School
Announces the Commencement Exercises
Friday, May 31st
Two Thousand Twenty-four
At four o'clock in the afternoon
Richard C. Berry
Educational Support Center
Admission by ticket only*

The official announcement cards for Bridgeland High School will come printed with the graduates name, and graduation day information inside. Envelopes are provided.



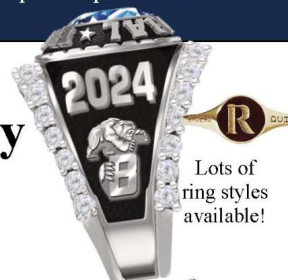
Orders On-Campus
Wednesday & Thursday
October 18th & 19th

during lunches in the cafeteria

*Order graduation supplies with
a \$50.00 deposit. Add your 2024
class ring with an additional \$50.00 deposit
and take up to 6 months to pay the balance!*



Scan here with your smart device
QR reader to view the 2024
grad brochure from Balfour Houston.



Lots of
ring styles
available!



Balfour North Office
8525 Westland West Blvd.
Houston, Texas 77041
832-912-8000

Order On-line: www.balfourgrad.com

Email us: info@balfourhouston.com

Balfour Store Hours:
Monday-Friday
noon - 5pm

Yearbook Information

01

Senior Portraits

Schedule your photo secession with CADY for your senior portraits by going to the CADY studios website, click on the "SENIORS" tab and choose "BOOK MY SESSION"

02

Buying The Book

Scan the qr code to order your book today and the link is placed on all Bridgeland Media sites too

03

Senior Tributes

The qr code also takes you to where you can purchase an ad and please have **PERMISSION** from your photographer **BEFOREHAND** to use their photos in your ad



SCAN ME ↑



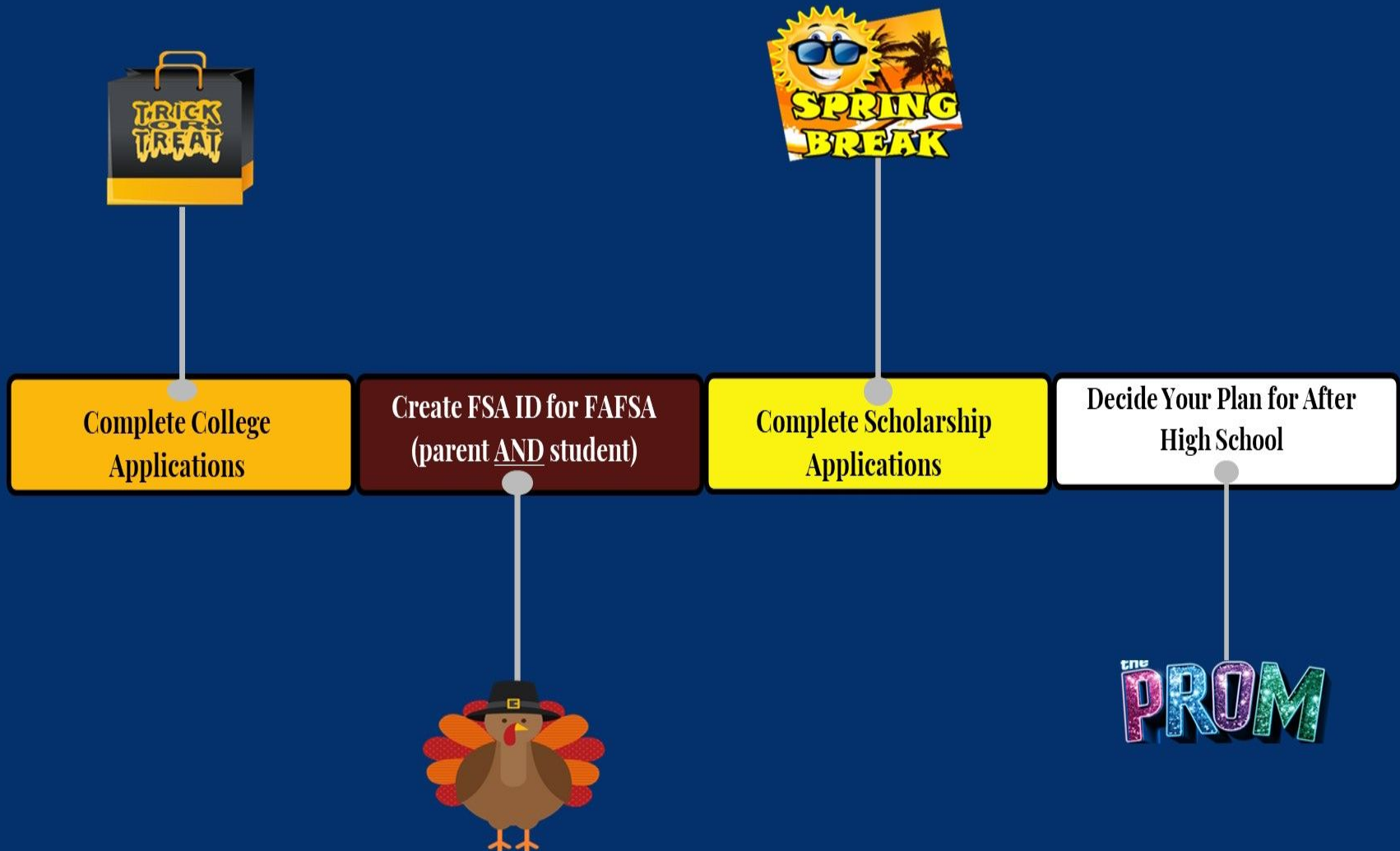
Ms. April Young
College & Career Specialist (CCS)

Goal: Help ensure that all Bears have a plan for success after high school.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- College, Career, Military Reps @ lunches
Ongoing (CTE Hallway)
- “Becoming a Longhorn” Informational
(Spanish session available)
Sept. 21; 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Cy-Falls HS Auditorium
- CFISD College Night
October 3
Berry Center
- FAFSA OPENS
December 2023 (undergoing changes)

MS. YOUNG'S RECOMMENDED TIMELINE



FAFSA opens in Dec. 2023

Most Popular College Applications

Goal: Use the LEAST number of application platforms to save time & effort!

Used by **ALL Texas public** 4-year institutions (some 2-year) and **SOME Texas private** institutions

Used primarily by 4-year institutions. Over 800 colleges and **universities across the world.**

Nationwide application used primarily by 4-year institutions. Locally--Rice, Trinity (TAMU & UT recently withdrew their apps)

Nationwide application used to apply to more than 50 **Historically Black Colleges & Universities** (HBCUs) for a one-time application fee of \$20.



FAFSA

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Determines how much \$ your family can reasonably be expected to contribute to your education. (**Expected Family Contribution**)

\$150+ BILLION available each year

First come, First served!

Scholarships, Grants,
Work Study, Loans

2022 Taxes

2024-2025 Application

TASFA (for Texas
residents, not U.S.
citizen)

Opens
December
2023

**GRADUATION
REQUIREMENT!!**

*Must upload FAFSA/TASFA
completion form or waiver.*



Benefits of qualifying for free/reduced lunch assistance include:

- College Testing Fee Waivers (SAT/ACT)
- College Application Fee Waivers
- Potential Scholarships for Dual Credit classes and AP exams
- Potential Scholarships for CTE certification testing
- Potential Scholarships for Summer School classes

Visit www.schoolcafe.com to apply.



**Free/Reduced Lunch
Application**
www.schoolcafe.com



- Apply to at least 6 colleges so you can compare scholarship and financial aid offers.
- Take SAT/ACT even if your top colleges are Test-Optional. Some schools require scores for scholarships.
- Pay attention to deadlines!! (Materials **MUST** be received by deadline, but not necessarily at the same time.)
- Access unofficial transcript in HAC to accurately complete self-reported academic record (SRAR) when required.
- Essays & letters of recommendation are not all required by all schools. Uploading preferences vary by university.
- Be gracious, say thank you, and share the results!
- Check email/portal often. Respond to all requests for additional information immediately and keep records of your responses.
- Application fee waivers available for free/reduced lunch.

Bridgeland Counselors

Coordinating Counselor: Mrs. Shayla Rodriguez-Bell

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Daria Hightower-Mayer	Pod 4	832-349-7615
Charlene Allen	Admin	832-349-7618





Graduation Reminder

In order for students to graduate AND walk across the stage, the following must be completed

Foundation w/ Endorsement Plan

English – English I, English II, English III + 4 th English Credit	4 Credits
Math – Algebra I, Geometry + 2 Adv Maths (Alg 2 required for some)	4 Credits
Science – Biology + IPC/Chem/Physics + 2 Advanced Sciences	4 Credits
Social Studies – W. Geog/W. Hist + US History + Govt & Eco	3 Credits
Health	½ Credit
PACE – 9 th /10th Grade Year	½ Credit
PE	1 Credit
Language Other Than English – LOTE 1 + LOTE 2/Alternate*	2 Credits
Fine Arts	1 Credit
Electives	6 Credits
TOTAL STATE CREDITS	26

EOC/STAAR
Test Requirements

English I
Biology
Algebra I
English II
U.S. History

DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT



To be eligible for the **top 10% automatic** admission a student must earn Distinguished Level of Achievement.

The Distinguished level of Achievement requires:

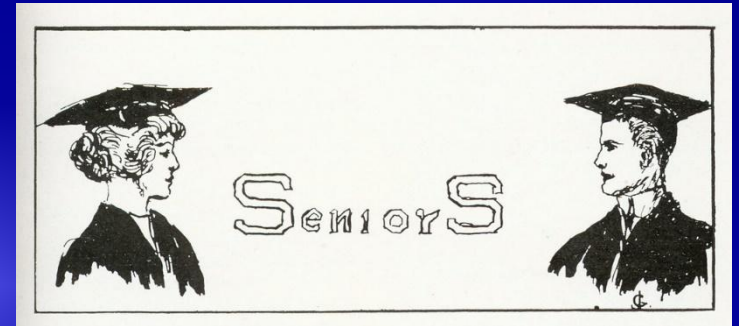
- 4 credits in math **including Algebra II**
- 4 credits in science
- All Foundation High School Program requirements
- At least **one** endorsement



SENIOR CONFERENCES

Counselors will meet with seniors beginning in late September to discuss:

- Credits
- Graduation requirements
- Post-secondary plans
- Qualifying Endorsements
- Senior Schoology
- FAFSA





GPA/Rank (calculated through end of year)

Based on 6 semesters - 853 Seniors end of 2023 school yr

	Rank	GPA
Top 10%	1 - 81	6.9091 - 6.6905
1 st Quarter	1 - 207	6.9091 - 6.4750
2 nd Quarter	214 - 423	6.4651 - 6.0732
3 rd Quarter	427 - 639	6.0714 - 5.3333
4 th Quarter	643 - 853	5.3171 - 2.0870

*Some colleges require mid-year and end of year reports. GPA and Class rank will be updated at the beginning of the spring semester.

Honor Grads

Summa Cum Laude 6.5+ GPA

Magna Cum Laude 6.25 – 6.49 GPA

Cum Laude 6.0 – 6.24 GPA

Top 10% Admissions

- Automatic admission to Texas Public Institutions; UT – Top 6%
- Must submit completed application prior to deadline set by the University.
- Graduate under FHSP+E and Distinguished Level of Achievement.
- Provide additional documents required by the University.
- Admission to the University, not necessarily your specific Major.



College Visits



- You are given two days for college visits your junior year and two your senior year. They do not carry over.
- Go to the attendance office to get the proper form or in your counselor's senior schoology group
- When you visit the college of your choice, make sure you get the college to stamp the college visit form or they must give you a letter on their school letterhead.
- Return the college visit form to the attendance office within 3 days, so it does not count as an absence.

NCAA

www.eligibilitycenter.org

- ❑ Students who want to play college sports should register at the beginning of their junior year
- ❑ A transcript should be sent to the Eligibility Center from the high school at the end of the junior year
- ❑ ACT/SAT scores no longer required for eligibility
- ❑ A minimum of 16 (Division I) or 16 (Division II) core courses must be completed by graduation
- ❑ ONLINE courses are NOT ACCEPTABLE to meet core courses
- ❑ See the website for specific qualifying courses
- ❑ Coaches can help navigate the NCAA process

Academic Resume

- Should include:
 - Academic accomplishments
 - Extracurricular activities
 - Awards/honors received
 - Community service
 - Leadership activities
 - Work experience

“Additional Information on application is important and underutilized”. You can include your academic resume here- Rice University rep @ Special Interest Night

Early Decision	vs	Early Action	vs	Regular Decision
Apps typically due around Nov.		Apps due in the Fall, Decisions sent Dec – Feb.		Apps due Jan 1 – Feb 1 Decision dates vary
PROS: An early acceptance means the stressful process is over sooner! Schools know your commitment, so your chances can be slightly increased.		PROS: You'll get an early decision, but not binding. You don't need to withdraw your other applications if you're accepted.		PROS: Later deadlines mean you have longer to perfect your application and retest if needed. You aren't' committed to any school, so it's perfect if you want to keep your options open.
CONS: An acceptance is binding and you must withdraw applications from other schools. Beware of Senioritis, don't let your grades slip just because you got in early! Great choice if you have 1 Dream School		CONS: You still have to prepare your other applications, just in case the Regular Decision deadline falls right after decisions are mailed out. Do this if you love one particular school, but want to keep your options open		CONS: A large, general applicant pool = stiff competition You won't receive a decision until later, so you'll be on pins/needles for longer! Do this if you like a lot of schools, and want to weigh all of your options.

COLLEGE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Apply early so you have enough time to review and compare scholarship and financial aid offers.

Complete the college applications and note the **Priority deadline** so you can be considered for scholarship opportunities.

Pay for applications.

Send test scores and official transcripts.

Request recommendation letters (if required).

Check email/status often. Respond to all requests for additional information immediately and keep records of your responses.

Information for College Applications

- High School Code: 440281
- NCAA Eligibility Center Code: 9999
- GPA is on a 6.0 weighted scale
- School Address:
Bridgeland High School
10707 Mason Road
Cypress, TX 77433
- School phone: 832-349-7600
- Principal: Mr. Michael Smith

Letters of Recommendation

- Not necessary for most Texas colleges!
- If a letter is needed, choose someone who knows you very well – Jr year teacher, counselor, employer, club sponsor, etc. ** Make personal contact with that person.
- Access and complete a *Student Profile* from your Senior Schoology course. There is the student component and equally important, the parent component.
- Turn in the completed Student Profile to the recommender. Recommender MUST be given at least 3 school weeks before letter is needed. Be aware of January deadlines as we are not in school or working over the holidays.
- Don't forget to waive your right to access your letter.
- Write a thank you note after the letter is completed.

Transcript Requests

Counselors can upload transcripts for

- Common Application

Make sure to let your counselor know once you have submitted the common app!!!

- Apply Texas

SARA - Self-Reported Academic Record required for application - no transcript required

**All other transcripts must be ordered
online through CFISD.net**

First 5 Free

Electronic Transcripts = FREE
(For Texas schools accepting electronic transcripts)

Allow at least 3 days for processing of transcripts

Lone Star College Transcripts

- Students who take dual-credit courses may be required to provide official Lone Star transcript(s) to colleges and universities where they apply.
- Please check with the college where you are applying to confirm.
- Transcripts must be requested online.



Important Testing Information

SAT Dates

Deadline

- October 7, 2023 September 7, 2023
- November 4, 2023 October 5, 2023
- March 9, 2024** February 23, 2024
- May 4, 2024** April 19, 2024
- June 1, 2024** May 17, 2024

New Seniors to CFISD - March 6th test at BHS available, no registration required

Register online

www.collegeboard.com

www.khanacademy.org/SAT

ACT Dates:

Deadline

October 28, 2023	September 22, 2023
December 9, 2023	November 3, 2023
February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024
July 13, 2024	June 7, 2024

Can register online

www.actstudent.org

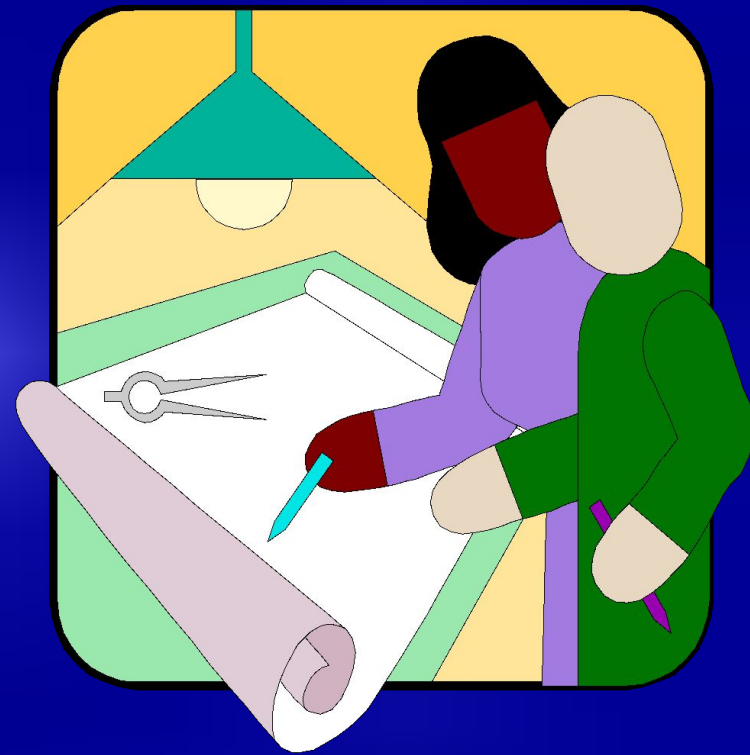
- ACT and SAT fee waivers are available for students who qualify.
- Please e-mail Charlene Allen (Counselor's Secretary) or April Young (College & Career Specialist) for additional information.



A.S.V.A.B.

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery

- Aptitude and interests test that can help you determine a career or an area of study that might be suitable
- No military obligation for taking the ASVAB
- In late fall, Bridgeland will offer the ASVAB on campus
- Sign up through Counselor Corner



Advanced Placement Exams

Registration & Payment Process

- **2 Step Process - JOIN** AP course on College Board and **PAY** in Total Registration
- 2 Step Process is open for Fall semester and year long AP Courses September 11, 2023 - November 1, 2023
- Resources for AP prep are available on the College Board website.
- Scores can only be viewed on CB website
- Registration for **SPRING AP COURSES** opens in January 2024
- Email Courtnie.Grigsby@cfisd.net for questions

Bridgeland High School



**What options are there to help pay
for college?**

Financial Aid

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) –Financial aid application for U.S. citizens and eligible residents. **Must be completed to receive federal grants and loans. Graduation requirement.**

TASFA (Texas Application for Student Financial Assistance) – Financial aid application for students who are state residents but not U.S. citizens.

Some scholarship committees may require financial aid information before awarding scholarships.

Prior to December 1st, apply for an FSAID number.
For the **2024-2025 FAFSA**, you will use 2022 tax information.

Money is awarded on a first come, first served basis.

Kinds of Financial Aid

- **Merit Based Aid: Academics, Skills, Fine Art, University scholarships**
- **Need Based Aid: Grants & Scholarship – Funds are given as a gift which does not have to be repaid**
- **Loans – Funds have to be repaid with interest**
- **Work Study – Funds earned on an hourly basis for campus jobs**



Finding Scholarships

□ District Website:

□ www.CFISD.net –Parent & Students-Guidance & Counseling-Scholarships

□ Parents' Employers/Major Corporations

□ Websites

□ PSAT/NMSQT scores

□ Colleges of interests- Departmental scholarships

□ Minnie Piper Stevens Foundation Compendium of Texas College and Financial Aid Calendar



www.fastweb.com



www.finaid.org

COFFEE WITH COUNSELORS

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SEPTEMBER

HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
11011 MASON RD, CYPRESS, TX 77433
NEXT TO BHS

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM
NEW & ROOKIE HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS

8:45 AM - 9:45 AM
SENIOR APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

Register ends 9/20 at 12 pm (noon)
bit.ly/COFFEESEPT23
(case sensitive) or scan the QR Code



MARK YOUR
CALENDAR

DECEMBER 6TH = NSSI - NON SUICIDAL SELF INJURY

JANUARY 30TH = COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

*Registration information for the events will be provided 1 week
before the event. Hope to see you there!*

COUNSELING WEBSITE bit.ly/BHSCOUNSELOR
(case sensitive)

Questions?

Speak to a counselor at counselor's corner during lunch and/or ask questions during your senior conference.



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on Facebook @BRIDGELANDHS.COUNSELORS



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We look
forward to a
fabulous
year
together!!