

## **OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION**

- Requirements for both College and University
- Application Process
- Scholarships
- Campus Visits
- Important Time Lines
- Extra Information

# WHO IS A POTENTIAL GRADUATE?

- A grade 12 student
- Have at least 20 credits
- Have all compulsory courses
- English621 and 4 other credits at the grade 12 level (all other mandatory courses)

### **Current Graduation Requirements**

- 3 English
- 2 Math
- 2 Science
- 2 Social Studies
- 5 Credits at the Grade 12 level (one of which must be ENG 621 or 631)
- 20 Credits in total
- \*\* These are the minimum requirements

### WESTISLE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- 3 Language courses
- 2 Mathematics credits
- 2 Social Studies credits
- 2 Science credits
- 1 PED 401A
- 1 CEO 401A or CAR 421F
- 1 Credit from the Creativity and Innovations course list or French credit
- 8 Electives

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR COLLEGE**

- Grade 12 diploma with credits at or above the general level (801 or 631 courses)
- Resume is usually required for many applications
- Experience in your field of study is beneficial

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIVERSITY

• A minimum overall average of 70%.

- Meeting the minimum average requirement does not guarantee acceptance to competitive programs like Nursing, Health Sciences or Engineering.

 A minimum of five 621 courses (one of which must be English 621)

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIVERSITY

• Arts: ENG621 & 4 other <u>acceptable</u> 621 courses

- Sciences: ENG621, MAT611, at least 2 of CHM, PHY, BIO 621 & 1 other <u>acceptable</u> 621
- Business: ENG621, MAT621 (611 rec) & 3 other acceptable 621 courses

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS (REQUIREMENTS)

- It is each **student's responsibility** to check the exact requirements for any program (College or University)
- To make sure you have the necessary credits for admission to the program that you are interested in, check My BluePrint for a list of courses you will have completed by June 2019.

### HOW DO YOU APPLY FOR POST-SECONDARY?

- Obtain the application form online (very few have paper versions)
- Complete all the required information
- Submit or mail the completed application form/package and required fee to post-secondary institution(s) of your choice (or do online)
- Fill out transcript request form in the counseling office, so your official transcript can be sent to the post-secondary institution(s) of your choice

- We encourage you to look at more than one school (2-3 at the most; could get expensive)
- We will be asking you to finalize your transcript requests in June 2019

- If you are applying to schools outside the Maritimes (Ontario, States), you SHOULD make an appointment with one of the counselors
- The procedures are different and sometimes a little more complicated, so the earlier you get started, the better it is for you

- The **student is responsible** to fill in all application forms
- We can review the applications
- The **student is responsible** to mail the application forms and admission fees

- The **student is responsible** to inform our office of all transcript requests
- By filling out a transcript request form, you automatically tell us where you want your transcript to be sent
- You must fill in a request form for **EVERY** university and/or college you apply to

#### TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORMS (UNIVERSITY / COLLEGE)

#### WESTISLE TRANSCRIPT REQUEST

STUDENT NAME:	
UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE:	
PROGRAM:	
MAJOR(S):	
MINOR(S):	
DATE:	

Office use only
DATE RECEIVED:
DATE ENTERED:

You must place the completed request in the metal tray across from Crystal's desk

### WHEN DO YOU APPLY FOR POST-SECONDARY?



- Deadlines are different for each college (usually around end of February or beginning of March)
- Some colleges have a first come first basis application process (NBCC, NSCC)

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#### **COLLEGE**

- Holland College = February 20<sup>th</sup>
- It is the **student's responsibility** to check the exact deadline for any college he or she is applying to

### WHEN DO YOU APPLY FOR POST-SECONDARY?

#### **UNIVERSITY**

- Deadline for most universities is March 1<sup>st</sup>, if you want to be considered for scholarships
- It is the **student's responsibility** to check the exact deadline for any university he or she is applying to

### EARLY ADMISSIONS

- Mainly for admission to universities and for programs with limited enrollment (Nursing, Engineering, Business)
- Student must have a minimum of 80% overall average to even consider applying for early admission

Conditional acceptances may be given, but not a guaranteed admission to specific programs

### EARLY ADMISSIONS (DEADLINES)

- Deadlines are different, depending on the university
- Normally, deadline is **October 31<sup>st</sup>**
- Students who DON'T want to apply for early admission should only fill out a transcript request form after October 31<sup>st</sup>

### COST OF EDUCATION (2017-2018)

#### • Holland College:

- Tuition: \$3,900-\$6,600 per year
- Residence (including meals):\$7,795(single) \$5,354(double)

#### • UPEI:

- Tuition: \$5,860

- Residence (including meals): \$4,490 (double occupancy)

### COST OF EDUCATION (2017-2018)

#### • UNB:

- Tuition: \$7,699.50
- Residence (including meals): \$9,750

#### • Acadia University

- Tuition: \$8,673
- Residence (including meals): \$7,965

### HOW CAN YOU FINANCE YOUR EDUCATION?

- Scholarships
- Bursaries
- Awards & Prizes
- Student Loans

Scholarships are announced in the following ways:

- on the "Scholarship Information Board" in the guidance office
- on the school website
- on the remind app sent to students as a text
- student sessions after school (first one Sept 19<sup>th</sup>)

We are not aware of all scholarships so it is encouraged for students to search as well

• Most scholarship applications are done online

- It is the **student's responsibility** to check the criteria, deadline and transcript requirements for each scholarship.
- We strongly recommend that you keep a copy of all scholarships you apply for.

- The **student is responsible** to fill in all scholarship application forms
- We can review the applications
- You must fill out a form to request a sealed transcript to accompany the application package or one to be sent directly

#### It is the <u>STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY</u> to mail these scholarship application packages and to meet the deadlines

 Don't forget to get a copy of your <u>TRANSCRIPT</u> to accompany your application

#### TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORMS (SCHOLARSHIP)

SCHOLARSHIP(S)/BURSARY(IES) TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM

STUDENT	NAME:

#### SCHOLARSHIP(s) / BURSARY(ies):

DATE SUBMITTED:

You must place the completed request in the metal tray across from Crystal's desk

• You are encouraged to be proactive in your own search for other scholarships

 Great website for scholarships: <u>www.studentawards.com</u> – Canadian Scholarships <u>www.scholarshipscanada.com</u> – Canadian Scholarships <u>www.fastweb.com</u> – US Scholarships

#### DIFFERENT FORMS OF SCHOLARSHIPS

- **Guaranteed Offers:** Based on academics only. If have 80% overall average and applying to university, will automatically get an offer
- Outside Agencies: Local and national agencies offer some scholarships. Criteria are set by the agencies.

#### **STUDENT LOANS**

- Different than bank loans
- Available for students who qualify
- Available for most post-secondary institutions

#### **STUDENT LOANS**

- Sometimes need to provide extra information
- Forms available online
- Application forms are usually not available until May and are due by early to mid July

#### **STUDENT LOANS**

 Great website for student loans: <u>www.studentloan.pe.ca</u>

Note: This site outlines all other bursaries available and you can apply online.

We will have a presentation for students and an evening for parents early May

#### CAMPUS VISITS

- We strongly recommend that you take advantage of campus visits
- They can easily be arranged through our office. You simply must provide us with dates and we can make the call.

We have prepared a monthly check list as a guide as to what you might need to be doing as you prepare for post secondary

We will have copies in guidance and will post this on our website

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#### • Post-secondary Day (November 5<sup>th</sup>):

- You should come prepared
- Get some answers to your questions

Parents are welcome to attend as well 9:30-11:00

#### • Transcripts:

- 3 mail outs (Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, mid-Feb., June)

- It is the student's responsibility to inform us of where they want the transcripts mailed

#### • Residence:

- Usually fill up quickly with 1<sup>st</sup> year students
- Important to stay aware of the dates for application and for deposits to ensure you have a room
- Apply right away for Holland College residence as they fill up in October
- You should choose your roommate carefully

### PRESENTATIONS FROM COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

- Throughout the year, colleges and universities will be coming to the school to do some presentations
- You MUST sign up prior to the presentation and MUST have your teacher's permission to attend

### **REFERENCE LETTERS**

- It is **BENEFICIAL** and courteous to give individuals sufficient time to write letters on your behalf.
- We suggest providing a week or two prior notice.

Providing them with a copy of your resume is helpful

### **GRADE 12 STRESS**

- Uncertainty
- Confusion



- Peer Pressure / Parental Pressure
- Feeling Overwhelmed

#### HANG IN THERE

- Know that you are not alone
- View it as a new adventure
- Stay on top of things as much as you can
- Discuss your feelings with others....family and friends

#### HANG IN THERE

- Book an appointment with one of the counselors
  - Ms. Monique Doucette
  - Ms. Shelby Hamill

#### MAKING THE FIRST STEP IS DIFFICULT BUT IT CAN BE THE MOST REWARDING!!

