



GUIDE TO THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS | ISD COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT EVENT CALENDAR

GR. 12 STUDENTS & PARENTS

- [North American Checklist](#) | [UK/NL/IRE/EU Checklist](#) – Priority action points to complete by **OCTOBER 31st**!

ALL applicants

- Complete [Senior Questionnaire](#) in [MaiaLearning](#) and schedule **Fall Planning Meeting** ([Mr Layman](#) | [Mrs Mika](#)): **DUE 30.09!**
- ***If required**, submit [Self-Prediction Form](#) to your counsellor and determine when to request **HE predicted grades**.
- Check the [Class of 2025 Google Classroom](#) group **and your (personal) email regularly (spam/junk too!!)** to stay up to date with all communication from the Counselling Department and the institutions to which you are applying.
- Update your **Personal Profile** in [MaiaLearning](#) ('Profile' | 'Edit'), including a picture and 'Secondary Email Address'.
- Update your **final list of institutions** in [MaiaLearning](#) (move from 'considering' to 'applying'), including the **degree/programme/course**. Meet with your counsellor to finalize your choices.
- ***If required** for application and/or Study Visa, register and take the [TOEFL/IELTS](#) /*[Duolingo](#) (***if accepted**).
- Work on **online applications** and meet with your counsellor to check that each one is filled out correctly.
- Use **Fall Break** to [visit](#) campuses (virtually).

NL applicants

- Attend [Studielink registration session](#) on **Oct. 7th** – Register in [MaiaLearning](#) ('Events').
- Submit up to **4 enrolment applications** in **Studielink** for the courses to which you intend to apply.
- After submitting each enrolment application, monitor your **email (spam/junk too)** for the invitation to complete the **online application** for each individual institution.
- Edit and revise the ***Letter of Motivation** (***If required** – check for each institution!) with your counsellor.
- Edit and revise your ***Résumé/CV** (***If required** – check for each institution!) with your counsellor.

UK applicants

- Edit and revise the UK [personal statement](#) and share with your counsellor for feedback.
- Register and prepare for any required **admission tests** ([UCAT/LNAT/Other](#)).
- **Oxford/Cambridge, Medicine, Dentistry, Vet Medicine/Science** applicants must submit their application by **October 15th @ 18:00 UK time**.
- **Oxford** webinars: [Understanding Interviews](#) – 10.10 @ 17:00 CET | [Ask Me Anything](#) – 28.11 @ 17:00 CET

US applicants

- Connect your [Common Application](#) account to [MaiaLearning \(YouTube\)](#). See your counsellor!
- ***If required**, [request teacher recommendations](#), making sure to follow the correct process. See your counsellor!
- Edit and revise the [application essay](#) and any [supplemental essays](#). Share with your counsellor for feedback.
- **Early Action/Early Decision** and **University of California/California State University** applicants should review each application with their counsellor before submission.
- Applicants with **rolling** admissions deadlines should prepare each application this month and be ready to submit in November!
- ***If required**, **send standardized test scores** to institutions where you have applied Early Action/Early Decision/Rolling.
- Note **financial aid** application requirements ([FAFSA](#) | [CSS Profile](#) | [Certification of Finances](#)) (International students) for each institution.
- Register to take the [ACT](#) or [SAT](#) in November and/or December if necessary.

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▪ U.S. Applicants – October, November & December SAT Registration

Students who wish to take the **Nov. 2nd** SAT must register by **Oct. 18th**. For the **Dec. 7th** SAT, students must register by **Nov. 22nd**. Visit the [College Board](#) website. ISD Test Centre **57655** | ISD School Code **734315**

▪ U.S. Applicants – October & December ACT Registration

The deadline to register for the **Oct. 26th** ACT is **TODAY!** Students who wish to take the **Dec. 14th** ACT must register by **Nov. 15th**. Visit the [ACT](#) student site. The ISD School Code is **734315**. Note that ISD is **not an ACT test centre**.



ALL STUDENTS & PARENTS

▪ University of Wisconsin-Madison Visit **MONDAY**

All students and parents are invited to join Kate Ryan from the **University of Wisconsin-Madison**, a [Top-40 U.S.](#) and [Global](#) institution, for a **U.S. admission insight session**. If you are considering the U.S. as a study destination, join us for this special presentation. Students can register to attend via [MaiaLearning \(Events/Actions/Attend\)](#). Parents do not need to register. From **16:00-17:00** in **NB N003**, Ms Ryan will speak about:

- Understanding the Holistic Admissions Approach - What is the ideal candidate for an American institution?
- Writing your (Common Application) Personal Essay - How to tell your story

▪ UK & The Netherlands (Virtual) Open Days

Many UK and NL institutions host (virtual) open days throughout the fall and spring. The upcoming Fall Break would be an ideal time to take advantage of these opportunities. For **Gr. 12** applicants, a (virtual) campus visit could be the deciding factor for students trying to make a final decision on where to apply. Visit the [Open Days website](#) for a comprehensive list of open days in the UK. Use the **month-by-month calendar** or [search the database](#). Students can also [book their place](#) at an open day free of charge. The [advice section](#) also contains useful open day and application tips, helping students to choose the right course. For the **Dutch Research Institutions**, please [FOLLOW THIS LINK](#) to Open Day information.

▪ [Pre-Med Projects Presents “The Weekly Surgery”](#)

Medical work experience, application help & certificates to help you on your way to medical school. The Weekly Surgery is designed to give all students aged 14-18 the best chance of being accepted to medical school. Every **Monday at 20:30 CET** there is a new live session for students to tune into, each one designed to help with your applications to medical school. Join hundreds of students from all over the world who are interested in applying for med school & interact with doctors, medical students, and each other every week.

▪ [INVESTIN Weekend Career Opportunities](#)

Available in **15 cutting-edge industries**. Students learn directly from some of the world's best professionals through a series of live, interactive simulations which provide tailor-made professional experience to **ages 12-18**. Programmes take place on **Sundays** live online (UK time), with dates available from November to January.

▪ [Career Days Online Work Experiences](#)

Career days give students an insight into different careers that might appeal to them, advice on subject choices and how to apply to university, followed by work experience in the afternoon to help them see what the career may be like. Students receive a certificate confirming their work experience. Students who are aged 13-18 are invited to register for the upcoming experiences in **Medicine (05.10)**, **Dentistry (06.10)**, **Business (12.10)** and **Psychology (19.10)**. Visit the Career Days website for additional experiences in **Architecture, Performing Arts, Law, Computer Science** and **Engineering** happening in **October** and **November**.

▪ [Upcoming Higher Education Visits & Events](#)

Interested ISD students and parents are invited to take part in the upcoming events below:

- [European Higher Education Fairs](#)
- [Stuzubi vor Ort- und Digitale Ausbildungsmessen 2024-2025](#): Düsseldorf 28.09 @ 10:00-16:00
- [King's College London](#): 30.09 @ 12:30-13:10 in N003 (Register via [MaiaLearning 'Events'](#))
- [University of Wisconsin-Madison](#): 30.09 @ 16:00-17:00 in N003 (Register via [MaiaLearning 'Events'](#))
- [Traumberuf Schülermesse in Köln](#) (MINT & MEDIEN) – 09.10.2024 | 9:00-15:00

[Keith Layman \(A-K\)](#) | [Marlene Mika \(L-Z\)](#) | [Noriko Kitagawa \(Japanese Higher Education\)](#)

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