Greetings, Scholars and Families! We are excited to kick off the 2022-2023 school year with many new students along with some familiar faces. Talent Search has a lot of exciting opportunities in store for you, so be sure to follow us on social media @upennts and watch your email inbox for information on our upcoming Virtual Orientation.

Meet Our New Program Director

Hi Talent Search Scholars!

My name is Aubrey Woodward, and I am thrilled to introduce myself as the new Director of Talent Search. In this role, I will work closely with you and your school staff to make sure you have all the tools necessary to build your own successful future.

I have always loved the start of a new school year. With it comes the opportunity to start fresh, set new goals, and pursue what aligns with you academically and personally. As a Talent Search Scholar this year, you can look forward to continuing your college and career exploration work, honing your academic skills, not to mention going on trips and meeting students just like you!

Before starting with Talent Search, I worked as an English teacher in several schools in School District of Philadelphia as well as one charter school. It has always been my priority to put students first, and in my work with Talent Search I intend to do exactly that.

I cannot wait to kick off another year of exciting Talent Search events. In the meantime, if there is anything you need, or if you simply want to reach out and say hi, please email me at waubrey@upenn.edu.

Happy first days of school!

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College App Timeline for Seniors

It's that time of year! 12th graders, if college is your goal, here are some steps you should be taking this fall:

- September 16: SDP Schools Closed for Students
- September 26: SDP Schools Closed for Rosh Hashanah Holiday
September and October:

**September:**
- Seek feedback and finalize your Common App Essay.
- Finalize your list of schools (Recommended reading: *How to Create Your Perfect College List*).
- Request that all standardized test scores (ACT, AP, SAT) be sent to the schools on your list.
- Decide if you want to apply to any colleges via early action or early decision.
- Complete supplemental essays for early action or early decision schools.
- Check in with your recommendation letter writers about the status of their letters.

**October:**
- Modify your Common App Essay and appropriate supplemental essays to fit other schools’ essay prompts.
- Complete all application essays.
- Finalize and submit applications to early action or early decision schools.

Need some help or guidance? Email questions to vpse.talentsearch@upenn.edu.

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**Tips for Middle School from a High School Freshman**

Watch this video for advice from someone who’s been there! Get Jordyn’s top 10 tips on surviving middle school. (Stay organized! Stay out of drama! Be nice to your teachers! and more....)

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**Opportunities for Talent Search Scholars**

**Lockheed Martin Career Launch Workshop**

*Open to all high school students,* this four-part webinar series will allow students to hear experiences from experts in the aerospace field, see behind the scenes how they develop space innovations, and learn how you can start a career in space.

Students who complete the whole series will..."}

**Cecil B. Moore Scholars Program**

Temple University's Cecil B. Moore Scholars Program offers selected students pre-college prep, focused campus mentoring and advising, and scholarships that cover full tuition at Temple.

Students from the following zip codes are eligible: 19121, 19122, 19123, 19125, 19130, 19132, 19133, and 19140.
SchoolHouse Connection Youth Leadership and Scholarship Program

The SchoolHouse Connection scholarship provides selected students with a $2,000 scholarship award, one-on-one support throughout college, opportunities to engage in state and federal policy advocacy, and more.

Students are eligible if:
- You will begin college (four year, community college, or trade school) for the first time in 2023.
- You experienced homelessness in the last six years.

Visit the website to get other eligibility info and apply by October 15.

Heisman High School Scholarship

Class of 2023, do you have what it takes to earn a Heisman High School Scholarship? Eligible applicants must have a weighted GPA of 3.0 (B average) or better, be proven leaders within their school community, and have participated in a recognized sport during grades 9, 10, or 11.

88 state winners receive a $1,000 college scholarship, 10 national finalists receive a $2,000 scholarship, and two national winners receive a $10,000 scholarship.

Visit the website to get more information and apply by October 18.

Visit the website to join in and get access to all four webinars.