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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Although the Junior Year marks the “official” start of the college exploration process, college preparation begins long before. Your child has already demonstrated academic strengths, extracurricular interests, and a personal learning style. Recent news articles indicating the competitiveness, economic pressures and the inability to predict application outcomes have forced families to make difficult decisions earlier in their child’s high school career.

It is our hope to demystify the college process by offering information on high school course selection, the transcript, college testing (SAT/ACT), and how to make the most out of the high school experience. Please join members of the Guidance Department on Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. in the high school auditorium. We will outline a four-year high school plan and its impact on the college exploration process.

Hopefully, early preparation will clarify your goals and result in better choices and strategies for you and your child.

Sincerely,

The Guidance Department