Junior Class Town Hall on College

North Shore Counseling Department
Breathe and Remember:

- Every Junior across the country is going through the same pandemic as you
- Colleges are experiencing Distance Learning too!
- Colleges know that all Spring Sports, Clubs, Plays, Concerts are canceled and grades will look different
SAT/ACT Testing

- SAT - August, Sept, Oct Nov
- ACT - June or July, Sept, Oct
- More schools moving to test optional
- Utilize Method Test Prep and Khan Academy
- Fairtest.org - List of Test Optional Schools
- SAT/ACT both creating online exams as a plan B
Letters of Recommendation

Step 1

- Email your teachers politely requesting a letter
- Ask what they need from you
- Provide them with whatever they want

Step 2

- Invite the teacher to Naviance
- Write a thank you into the Note section

Step 3

- Politely follow up in the Fall
How Do I “Visit” Colleges?

- Virtual Tours and College Fairs
- Follow colleges on social media
- Research schools on their website and Naviance
- Reach out to LI Admissions counselor with questions
- Reach out to North Shore alumni at colleges you are interested in
- Check out Counseling Department Resource Folder:
  - Class of 2021 Resources
What Should I Be Doing Now?

- Keeping up with your school work and attending Google Meets
- Find Ways to Help Others
- Think about what is important to you:
  - Size of school?
  - Major?
  - Specific club, activity, sport?
  - Going away/staying home
  - Family Finances
- Create a Common App account and start filling in main sections
- Start to work on College Essay
- Request your teacher letters
QUESTIONS??