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— HIGH SCHOOL —



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Dear Liberty High School Alumni,

Liberty High School would like to invite you to participate in our annual **Alumni Visitation Day** to be held on **Wednesday, December 23rd from 7:30 am - 12:00 noon**. LHS has a tradition where alumni return to their alma mater to share experiences that are intended to motivate current LHS students to achieve success after high school. Whether you have a full time job, are in the military, or go to a college, you have gained a rich firsthand experience of life-after-high school. Please feel free to bring your college or work portfolios to share with LHS students.

If you are interested in sharing your experiences with LHS students on Alumni Visitation Day, please complete the registration form and return to Alice Rau at amrau@carrollk12.org, fax to 410-751-3564, or mail to 5855 Bartholow Road, Eldersburg, MD 21784 by December 9th, 2009. Advanced registration is required for attendance and the completed form must be received by December 9th, 2009. We will send you confirmation of your registration by December 18th. Speakers will be expected to be in the LHS media center by 7:30am on December 23rd.

Sincerely,

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Alumni Day Schedule

Check In: 7:30am	Media Center
Mod 1: 7:45 – 8:22	Visit Classroom 1
Mod 2: 8:27 – 9:05	Visit Classroom 2
Mod 3: 9:10 – 10:07	Session 1: Visit Classroom 3/4 or Concert
10:12 – 11:10	Session 2: Alternate of Session 1
Mod 4: 11:15 – 11:50	Visit Classroom 5

*Be prepared to speak to 9th – 12th graders as the information presented is valuable to all grade levels in preparation for life after high school

*You must abide by all school policies and rules, follow alumni talking points, do's and don'ts, and follow your assigned schedule. Remember, you must dress “school appropriate” and within dress code.

Topics of Discussion: College Bound

1. Describe the workload of college level classes.
2. What are the college reading and writing expectations?
3. How have you adjusted your note taking, reading, and study strategies to be successful in your classes?
4. What classes are required for your major/minor?
5. What is your average college class size?
6. Do you find your professors are helpful?
7. How did taking AP classes in High School help you in College?
8. How has the transition from a small pond to a big pond been for you? What suggestions would you offer?
9. Describe how you spend your time on an average day?
10. What type of money issues have you had to deal with? (Checking/Savings/Credit Cards, hidden costs)
11. Do you enjoy the increase in cultural diversity where you go to school?
12. How have you dealt with homesickness?
13. Roommate issues (problem solving skills)
14. Are you living on your own?
15. What materials do you suggest students have ready for college? (laptop, internet account, etc.)
16. If you could do high school over again, what would you do differently, if anything?

Topics of Discussion: Working

1. How do you like your work?
2. What are you doing?
3. Are you making enough money to live on your own?
4. Is there room for advancement in your position?
5. What are your working conditions?
6. Describe an average working day for you.
7. How well do you get along with your employer and co-workers?
8. Where do you see yourself 5 years from now?
9. What are the challenges to your job?
10. What made you decide to go to work after high school?
11. If you could do high school over again, what would you do differently, if anything?
12. What was on-the-job training like? Does your employer expect/encourage you to continue education classes?
13. Give advice!

Alumni Visitation Day Do's and Don'ts

Do:

1. Introduce yourself to the class and to other alumni. Write your name on the board.
2. Give a little background of yourself:
 - ◆ What you were like in high school, courses you liked, extra-curricular activities, fondest memories
 - ◆ Where you are working or going to college now, your major/minor, your journey after high school to where you are now

Don't:

1. Speak negatively about any particular teacher here at Liberty.
2. Talk about the partying at college, unless it is to point out the tragic results. Encourage students to make wise choices.
3. Recruit for your college/military. Respect the choices some seniors have already made.