

# St. Joseph's Secondary School

## University Information Booklet 2009-2010

### **Quebec and Out of Province Universities**

- Most applications to out of province universities are due by **March 1st, 2010** (McGill, **February 1st, 2010**).
- While there is no quota on the number of out of province applications a student can make, each university requires a separate application fee.
- If applying to an out of province university, it is **your responsibility** to make sure your marks are sent at the 1) end of first semester, 2) mid-term second semester, and 3) end of second semester. **Check to see if your out of province university is linked to OUAC**

### **Marks**

- All Grade 11 and 12 marks are submitted to the OUAC
- Final 12 U & U/C marks for first semester are submitted in February.
- Mid-term marks for second semester are submitted in April.
- Students have 5 days after mid-term marks are issued to drop a course (if schedule permits it). Otherwise, the mark at the time of withdrawal will be noted on the transcript.

### ***Your University Application***

- See your guidance counsellor to discuss your post-secondary plans.
- To access the OUAC site go to [www.ouac.on.ca](http://www.ouac.on.ca)  
To access eInfo go to [www.electronicinfo.ca](http://www.electronicinfo.ca)

Counsellors are:

Homeroms 1-16 Mrs. MacPhee

17-32 Mr. Perry

5, 7, 29, Mr. Krol

- Mid-November: Pick up your application package from your guidance counsellor.
- Deadline for completed on-line applications: **January 13th, 2010.**

The application fee of **\$115** allows students **three** choices. Applicants who wish to select additional university programs can do so at an additional cost of **\$38** for each additional selection.

## **Financial Aid: OSAP (Ontario Student Assistance Program)**

√ Applications are filed through the OSAP website <http://osap.gov.on.ca>

## **Bursaries & Scholarships**

### **University scholarships**

- We encourage you to try out eINFO. You can visit at [www.electronicinfo.ca](http://www.electronicinfo.ca) New this year students will be able to search for scholarships. e-INFO continues to provide the most up-to-date information about university programs.
- You will automatically be considered for most university scholarships.
- There are some university scholarships, however, that require a separate form.

### **Graduation bursaries & other awards**

- Check “The Grad Corner” on our school website for information about bursaries and other awards.
- Check [www.studentawards.com](http://www.studentawards.com)
- To qualify for graduation bursaries and other awards granted throughout the year, students **must** fill out a **GRADUATE RESUME**.

## **A University Bound Student’s Checklist**

- Investigate careers: [www.sjssonline.com](http://www.sjssonline.com)  
[www.careercruising.com](http://www.careercruising.com)  
Username: eastern Password: 3610
- Investigate universities: ☺ Research the academic calendars.
- ☺ Compare institutions: Maclean’s; eINFO
- ☺ Listen to talks by “liaison” officers.
- ☺ Talk to recent graduates.
- ☺ Talk to a Guidance Counsellor.
- ☺ Talk to faculty members.
- ☺ Talk to your parents.
- ☺ Visit the university’s web site
- Sign up in the guidance office for the appropriate university liaison officers’ visits
- Make an appointment to see your guidance counselor as soon as possible and before December 18th.**
- Complete and hand in a Graduate Resume **Deadline: December 18<sup>st</sup>, 2010.**
- Pay \$25 for your graduation gown (you can pay your counsellor or Mr. Herjavec) by the March Break.

- Apply online to Ontario Universities **Deadline: January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

## Grad Resume

Prepare a **1 page typed** resume that includes the following:

1. Post-secondary plans and career aspirations
  2. Extra-curricular activities
  3. Community involvement 1) 40 hours  
2) other involvement
  4. The Parish you belong to and your church involvement.
  5. Special financial circumstance
  6. A short paragraph explaining why you think you are deserving of bursaries.
- Apply to out of province universities. (Check individual universities for deadlines)
  - If applying to out of province schools, it is **your responsibility to make sure** your 1<sup>st</sup> semester marks, 2<sup>nd</sup> semester mid-term marks and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester final marks are sent to the appropriate out of province universities
  - Visit university campuses (March break is a good time for many students)
  - Late May: apply for OSAP
  - Once you have accepted an offer of admission, inform your guidance counsellor of the decision.