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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

Carnival: April 17-19

CMAC Interviews due: Feb. 1

Carnegie Mellon fall classes are finishing, students are looking forward to some much deserved rest and relaxation and the holidays are upon us. Our office understands the importance of thanking the individuals that add value to what we do. Your assistance throughout the year is paramount in our minds.

This past fall, members of CMAC visited many high schools, attended countless college fairs and participated in Information Session registration by helping students learn more about what truly makes Carnegie Mellon a special place and the true meaning of "my heart is in the work." We've already begun to receive the CMAC interview reports as well and these have been matched to the applications for fall 2008.

Throughout the month ahead, I thank you in advance for your willingness to talk with our prospective students. Early indicators are showing that our applications will be up again this year (30% as of December 1st) and the importance of these informal interviews are even more important so than before.

In reviewing this newsletter, I invite you to learn more about our CMAC Assistant, Susan Miller, what to look forward to during the ever important yield time of year and some highlights on what is going on around campus.

Again, thank you for all that you have done for the Office of Undergraduate Admission this past fall and I wish you and yours all the best this holiday season.

Sincerely,

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CMAC Coordinator

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CMAC INTERVIEWS + REPORTS

Please remember that ALL CMAC interview reports should be submitted to the Office of Admission by February 1st. The forms can be submitted via email by visiting <<http://www.cmu.edu/cmac/forms.htm>>

Throughout the months ahead the Office of Admission will be sending out reports to our CMAC interviewers who have returned their interview report forms from prospective students. These reports are typically sent several times throughout the winter/spring.

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- JANUARY** — Reports are sent to interviewers with the decision of any student who applied under Early Decision. Decisions are final under Early Decision for the student's first choice. Students can be admitted, denied, or deferred – which allows them to be reviewed under Regular Decision.
 - FEBRUARY** — Reports are sent for students who have interviewed and APPLIED to Carnegie Mellon. Its important to note that if a student does not apply a report will not be generated and sent.
 - MARCH** — Reports are sent that include the admission decisions for students. These decisions will be finalized in mid March and communicated with you as soon as they are available. Students can be admitted, denied, or waitlist. More information will be included in the correspondence that accompanies the report.
 - MAY** — A final report of the students who have paid their deposit and therefore indicated that they will enroll in Carnegie Mellon University are sent to the respective interviewers.



VIEWBOOKS, NEWSLETTERS, POSTCARDS...OH MY!!

You know by now that as a CMACer you receive the same mailings as our prospective students. The Office of Admission has found that this literally is the best way to keep you informed of the ever-changing admission process, highlights that are important to high school seniors and allows you to experience exactly what our prospective students are seeing as they make their decisions concerning Carnegie Mellon.



SPRING FAIR REMINDER

Although the weather outside is frightful (at least in Pittsburgh, PA) the opportunities to visit high schools and attend college fairs this winter/spring are only a few short months away. We have already begun to receive college fair announcements.

Susan Miller will be coordinating all incoming fair announcements and putting out the call for fair volunteers. PLEASE REMEMBER, due to the extremely high volume of fairs that we are asked to attend the Office of Admission will not be attending fairs that require fee.

As always, your willingness and enthusiasm to take part in these events are greatly appreciated.

New this spring, CMAC nametags will be provided, which will be included in your box of materials!

HIGH SCHOOL AMBASSADORS HIT THE ROAD

Every year during winter break, the Office of Admission hosts a program that allows enrolled students to return to their high school during their winter break. These visits allow our prospective students to gain an “insider’s perspective” about what it’s like to be a student at Carnegie Mellon. Interested students go through a training session with one of our professional staff members that provides instruction on the purpose of the visit, in addition to how to best represent oneself and the Carnegie Mellon community in an honest, positive way. While admission counselors spend much of their time during the fall visiting high schools to talk about the admission process and specific academic programs, the return high school visit during the winter allows students to engage openly about what it is like to actually BE a student at Carnegie Mellon. Conversation is much more casual and students learn more about topics such as what it is like to live in the residence halls; how students involve themselves in the community outside of the classroom; student/faculty relationships; and how everyone meets their friends when they come to campus for the first time.