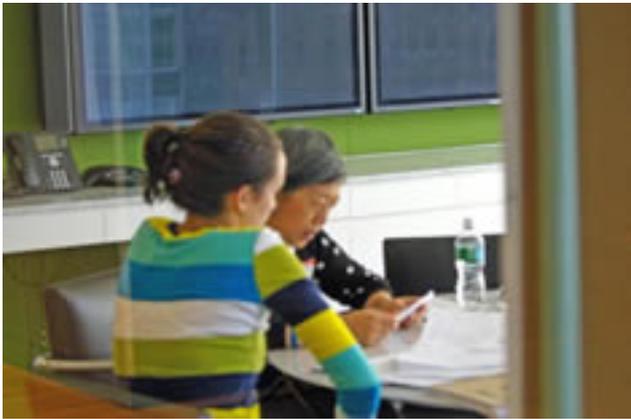


## Guiding the College Process

For the past six years, Tuesday's Children has offered a unique, engaging opportunity to learn the inside story of the college application process from the best consultants available. On Sunday, October 4th 2009, "Navigating the College Process" brought out a record number of participants. 86 immediate family and rescue and recovery members participated in the day long program. All high school students and their parents were invited.



In partnership with educational consultants Howard Greene & Associates, represented by Matthew Greene and Ginger Miller, and John Buckley, VP of Undergraduate Enrollment at Fordham University, all the components required to successfully complete the application process were presented and discussed. The information was delivered in a very professional yet warm manner. There was plenty of time for questions and answers. Tuesday's Children board member Rhianna Quinn Roddy along with her team from Scholarship America delivered a thorough PowerPoint presentation of the Families of Freedom Scholarship. Her presentation covered the history and changes that have occurred with the scholarship fund and helpful tools that have been made available in determining individual awards. Please visit [familiesoffreedom.org](http://familiesoffreedom.org).

The day wrapped up with panel of current or recently graduated college student who fielded questions posed by both students and parents. These young people were the perfect end to the day with their candid and genuine responses.

While the 9th, 10th and 11th graders were listening to the information and receiving answers to

their questions, the senior students had a more unique meeting. Each student met individually for thirty minutes with an educational specialist who reviewed their completed Common App, personal essay, high school transcript and their list of colleges.



For some families this workshop confirmed that they had already begun to take some of the steps required, for others it provided the jump start needed and for some it acknowledged that they were well on their way. All would agree that the process often feels daunting and that the Tuesday's Children seminar broke the process down and made them feel less overwhelmed.

*Each piece of the presentation was very informative. I was especially interested in and impressed with the student representatives. I was glad that my freshman was there to hear about the process of choosing a college. After the program, we were able to discuss why I have been trying so hard to guide him during his early years of high school. I think he came away realizing that these next four years all have a great impact on the college he will attend. Parent*

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