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## Location & Time

The seminars will meet at

### Murray Hill Place

139 E. 34th Street in Manhattan  
(corner of 34th Street and Lexington Avenue)

The seminars begin at 2:00 p.m. and end at 4:00 p.m.  
Students are welcome to stay after the seminars for  
food and refreshments.

## Registration

Apply online at [thegrade.org](http://thegrade.org)

Application deadline: **September 9, 2016**

The cost of the program is \$475

### Early Bird Rate:

Applications submitted before August 29: \$375

Applications submitted before September 5: \$400

*Financial considerations should not prevent anyone  
from attending. A scholarship may be requested.*

You can pay by check or online. Checks should  
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### Overlook Study Center

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What is important in high school? Talent?

Good looks? Athletic skills?... Not really.

What matters is character.

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foundation to be a man of character. Through a combination of classes, one-on-one mentoring, and career presentations by successful professionals, it helps you develop the skills and attitude necessary to be effective in college and later on as a father, a professional, and a citizen.

Sophomores & Juniors



Seniors

### Filling the Gaps

This seminar gives seniors an analysis of philosophical ideas that currently underlie the academics at most American universities. It is taught by a long-time university professor and lets seniors experience a college-level class.

DATE	TOPIC COVERED
Sept 17	Relativism: What is truth?
Oct 15	Evolution: Where do we come from?
Nov 19	Authority and freedom: Can we have both?
Dec 17	Morality & conscience
Jan 21	Secular humanism: A common world view
Feb 18	Human rights, individualism, libertarianism
Mar 18	Reliability of Scripture
Apr 22	Soul and spirit: Do they matter?
May 20	What marriage is, what marriage is not

8th Graders

### Big Ideas Seminar

Eighth graders are faced with decisions that will lay foundations for their life. Students need to be aware of these decisions and how they are made so that they can choose wisely.

DATE	TOPIC COVERED
Sept 17	Setting goals for the future
Oct 15	Living with authority
Nov 19	The importance of friendship
Dec 17	Dating and high school
Jan 21	Staying focused
Feb 18	Effective studying
Mar 18	True manliness
Apr 22	Never quitting
May 20	What makes you happy?

Freshmen

### Big Achievements Seminar

A college application is a reflection of one's actions during freshman-junior years. Freshmen should know what colleges want to see. Even more, they should know why character is important for success in college and life.

DATE	TOPIC COVERED
Sept 17	College application. Now? Yes.
Oct 15	Grades and my future
Nov 19	Extracurriculars: Success outside the classroom
Dec 17	Career insights: Which one is for me?
Jan 21	You are what you read
Feb 18	Holding down a summer job
Mar 18	Character and maturity
Apr 22	A life of service
May 20	Am I a leader?

### The Professional Seminar

High school is the time to begin thinking about career interests. Your interests will affect the college and the major you choose. It is also the time to develop the habits of effective speaking and critical thinking that are essential for success in college and the workplace. A talk on character development follows each presentation.

DATE	TOPIC COVERED
Sept 17	Becoming a lifelong reader
Oct 15	Keeping data safe: IT security
Nov 19	Responsible citizenship
Dec 17	Making things Compute: A career in programming
Jan 21	Madison Avenue: The world of advertising
Feb 18	Planning for a productive summer
Mar 18	Building a career in architecture
Apr 22	Entrepreneurship: Owning & growing your own business
May 20	Making things work: The world of engineering

One-on-One

### Mentoring

Each student is assigned a mentor who will meet individually with him between the monthly sessions. The mentor will help the student make practical goals based on the material presented in the seminars. Mentoring sessions last 45 minutes and will take place at Murray Hill Place, Southmont, or Overlook; or when these locations are not feasible, by phone.