PSYCHOEDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT

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Dear Parents of Juniors:

As your juniors begin the college application process, many of you will be asked to provide updated psychoeducational or neuropsychological assessments as part of their application information or following their acceptance to a college. This information is requested by an increasing number of colleges to <u>qualify students for support/accommodation services</u> for entering freshmen diagnosed with learning and/or attentional disabilities.

I will be available to provide assessments at Landmark for students applying to college programs. The most frequent request for students with a primary diagnosis of a learning disability is a psychoeducational evaluation consisting of the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale—IV (WAIS-IV) with educational testing such as the Wechsler Individual Achievement test (WIAT-IV). For students with a primary diagnosis of attention deficit disorder and/or executive functioning disability, most colleges are requesting a comprehensive neuropsychological evaluation. Prior to requesting testing, I encourage students and their parents to review their profile and discuss potential college programs with their guidance counselor to determine which evaluation will be requested.

Requests for testing must be made in writing using the attached authorization form. Payment will be due on the date of testing. The fee for a standard psychoeducational battery (which includes the WAIS-IV and WIAT-IV) is \$1700.00. The evaluation includes a written report with relevant background, test scores, interpretation of the results, diagnosis, as well as recommendations. Please note that psychoeducational evaluations are not covered by health insurance plans. If a neuropsychological or other type of evaluation is needed, please email me at abell@landmarkschool.org to discuss pricing and coverage. Although I will complete the evaluation at Landmark, I operate independently of the school. Consequently, to access previous evaluations and to release the results to the guidance counselors, you must sign the "Psychoeducational Assessment Authorization" form. (If the student will be over 18 years of age at the time of the assessment, he or she must also sign). Assessments will be scheduled on a first come first served basis and coordinated with the student's academic advisor and guidance counselor. Evaluations can also be scheduled during the summer.

Thank you for your timely response. Feel free to contact me at <u>abell@landmarkschool.org</u> should you have questions or requests related to senior assessments.

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Sincerely,

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