Parents and students should research the private schools' websites in order to fully understand the application process. Most schools now offer an online application requiring the parent/student to create an account which will allow them to track the progress of the application. There are usually several components to the application process. It is important to know the timeline and deadlines prior to beginning. Private schools often require a fee to complete an application, which will need to be submitted before the application process begins.

If your student is applying to Southeastern Regional Vocational High School please visit their website at <u>Southeastern Regional Vocational HS</u>. Derek Ferris is the admissions counselor and he may be reached at <u>dferris@sersd.org</u>.

If your student is applying to Bristol Agricultural School, please contact their admissions counselor, Colleen Cronin at ccronin@bcahs.com. For more information regarding their application and interview process please visit their website at Bristol Agricultural HS.

In an effort for the QMS counselor to get to know your students better, prior to filling out school counselor recommendations, the grade level counselor will be meeting with all applicants individually, either virtually or in person. Students will be asked to complete a basic form where they will highlight their particular talents and interests (music, art, athletics, etc.) and also their involvement in extracurricular activities, both inside and outside of school. Any community service, hobbies, special recognition, and awards should be noted. It would be helpful for students to begin making a list of these things prior to the meeting with the counselor.

Please know that the QMS Guidance Office typically processes over 100 private/vocational school applications. It is important for parents and students to be aware of deadlines, so we are able to process and get the information to prospective schools in a timely fashion. The guidance office is closed during Winter Break; so if the school's deadline is December 31st, we need the application two weeks prior to break.