## TIPS FOR ANSWERING COMMON INTERVIEW QUESTIONS:

- Tell me about yourself
  - scholarships: make a numbered list of things they should know (keeps you organized and prevents rambling)
    - 3 points is usually a good number
  - o Job Interview: Use the Present, Past, and Future Method
- Why do you want to work here?
  - do your research beforehand!
  - make it known that you researched
  - o you see a future with them
  - o you are appealed to their company culture/atmosphere
- Why should we select you for this scholarship/position?
  - o highlight the strengths you have that make you unique
  - give specific 2-3 examples of how you have already used these strengths to make you stand out
- What is your greatest strength?
  - pick something that you can back up! Have 1-3 examples of you excelling through that strength
  - o soft skills are important
- What is your greatest weakness?
  - DO NOT give a quality that cannot be fixed
  - o show steps you are taking to improve
- What is your biggest achievement?
  - o stay humble
  - pick something with depth
  - remember: the achievement isn't the focus it's what you learned through that experience
- What is your biggest mistake?
  - o pick a mistake where you grew as a result
  - o focus on how it changed your behavior

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## THE 10 COMMANDMENTS OF EMAIL ETIQUETTE:

- 1. Thou shalt begin with a salutation and end with thy name.
- 2. Thou shalt write in complete sentences.
- 3. Thou shalt be clear in thy message and provide necessary details.
- 4. Thou shalt not be rude or demanding.
- 5. Thou shalt not use text speak.
- 6. Thou shalt punctuate correctly.
- 7. Thou shalt not type the message of thy email in the subject line.
- 8. Thou shalt use the correct reply, reply all, and forward buttons.
- 9. Thou shalt thank thy audience for taking the time to respond and help thee.
- 10. Thou shalt check thyself before thou wreck thyself (that is, proofread).

\*Note: These commandments mostly apply to the first email you send to another person. After the first exchange of emails, the follow-up emails may get increasingly shorter and less formal. That is normal.

## TIPS TO ACE YOUR INTERVIEW

- 1. Master your P's of Public Speaking
- 2. Know how to answer the basic interview questions
- 3. Have all required materials ready to go when you walk in the door a. make sure to have your handshake hand free
- 4. Get a good night of rest/
- 5. Give yourself plenty of time to get ready.
- 6.Leave earlier than you need to. Sit in the parking lot and get yourself hyped up.
- 7. Send a thank you email!

## **ACTIVE VERBS TO BUILD YOUR RESUME**

You led a team/club/project	You achieved something	You supported Customers/Teamantes	You improved something
1. Chaired 2. Coordinated 3. Executed 4. Headed 5. Operated 6. Orchestrated 7. Organized 8. Oversaw 9. Planned 10. Produced	1.Attained 2.Awarded 3.Completed 4.Demonstrated 5.Earned 6.Exceeded 7.Reached 8.Showcased 9.Surpassed	1.Advised 2.Advocated 3.Coached d 4.Consulted 5.Educated 6.Fielded 7.Informed 8.Resolved	1. Clarified 2. Converted 3. Customized 4. Influenced 5. Integrated 6. Modified 7. Overhauled 8. Redesigned 9. Refined 10. Refocused 11. Remodeled