

ST. FRANCIS DESALES HIGH SCHOOL



Junior Class College and Career Planning Guide

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INTRODUCTION

This brief but important booklet is not meant to answer all of your questions regarding college and career planning. It is the beginning of an important process which both you and your parents will make in the next 12 months. Hopefully it will culminate with some meaningful and reasonable decisions before graduating next June. The information herein will help you and your parents understand:

- **REQUIRED TESTS**
- **DEADLINES TO MEET**
- **TERMINOLOGY USED**
- **RESOURCES AVAILABLE**
- **SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID**

~ KEEP IN MIND ~

Every TEACHER, COUNSELOR and ADMINISTRATOR is willing to help you in this decision, but you, the student, must take the initiative by asking questions and seeking advice from as many sources as possible.

***IN ORDER FOR THINGS TO HAPPEN,
YOU MUST MAKE THEM HAPPEN !!
We are here to help.***

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE RESOURCES here at DeSales, and in the community such as the Library, internet, Guidance Office, DVDs, college catalogs, the many college reps that visit each year, college fairs, and career days at the various colleges. It is MOST IMPORTANT to VISIT your college choices for comparison.

Please share this booklet with your parents.

COLLEGE PLACEMENT EXAMS

Most colleges, universities, and some two year community and tech schools, REQUIRE either the AMERICAN COLLEGE TEST (ACT) or the SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT) in order to be considered for admission.



Admissions

These tests are used in various ways by the different colleges. Most colleges use them as a part of the admission process. Others will use them for placement into certain classes. The vast majority of the colleges use them, along with your high school transcript, to PREDICT how well you will fare as a college student at their institution.

Academic Scholarships

Besides using the results of these tests for admission, placement, and predictability of future success, the test results play a major role in awarding ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS.

High School Transcript

The first and most important item the colleges will look at is the record of your HIGH SCHOOL GRADES, COLLEGE PREP COURSES TAKEN, CLASS RANK, and CUMULATIVE GPA. All of these and the results of your tests scores, make up your HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT.

Standard Measurement

Standardized tests (ACT/SAT) are used, along with your high school grades, to give the admission staff a standard measurement by which to compare you with all other candidates. Grading systems vary greatly from high school to high school, as well as the quality of teaching. Colleges need some standard measurement to compare students.

***PLEASE PREPARE YOURSELF WELL
FOR THESE IMPORTANT TESTS.***

AMERICAN COLLEGE TEST (ACT)



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The Test

The ACT tests you in four (4) areas:
ENGLISH, MATH, READING, AND SCIENCE REASONING.
Many colleges are now requiring the optional **Writing test** and we **recommend that all students take this section at least once.**

- All questions are multiple choice.
- Calculators may be used on the math section.
- The ACT is based on a scale of 1 (low) to 36 (high). Average is 21.0 in the nation and 22.5 for DeSales.
- The test takes about 3.5 hours. They are administered six times a school year on SATURDAY MORNINGS.
- The tests typically begin at 8:00 am and are over by 12:15 pm or 1:00 pm (if you take the ACT Plus Writing).
- Tests are taken at various test centers around Columbus.
- Since ACT only counts correct answers, it is best to guess if you do not know an answer.
- The ACT is more popular here in the MIDWEST, **although all colleges will accept the ACT or SAT.**

Registration

- Pre-register by completing the application ONLINE, or a registration packet can be found in the GUIDANCE OFFICE.
- You can register online at www.actstudent.org
- Please pay close attention to the DEADLINES when registering.
- Our school code is **361533**

Cost

- The COST of the test is due at the time you register online (credit card) or by mail (Check or money order, no CASH).
- You will receive an admission ticket online or by mail.
- You will need this ticket, ALONG WITH A PHOTO I.D., for admission to the test center.

Results

- The results will be mailed to your home and to the colleges you requested about four (4) weeks after the test.
- DeSales will also receive a copy which is placed on your high school transcript.

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST (SAT I REASONING)

The Test

The SAT Reasoning test is a three part test, similar to the PSAT most of you took last October. The SAT Reasoning tests include critical reading, math & writing.

- The 25 minute essay will always be the first section of the SAT
- The 10 min multiple choice writing section will always be the final section.
- The remaining six 25 minute sections can appear in any order as can the two 20 minute sections.
- Calculators may be used on the SAT Reasoning and SAT Subject Math tests.
- The SAT is based on a scale of 200 (low) to 800 (high) with sub-scores for the essay ranging from 2-12 and for multiple choice writing questions from 20-80. 500 is about average for each section. The average SAT score is 1509 in the nation and 1635 for DeSales.
- Avoid random guessing. The SAT Reasoning will take off a fraction of a point for incorrect multiple choice answers. Guess only when you can eliminate one or more answers as being definitely wrong.
- The test takes three hours and forty-five minutes and is administered 7 times a school year at designated test centers.

Registration

- To register for the test, a student must complete a four (4) page registration form found in the GUIDANCE OFFICE and mail it along with the fee or register online at www.collegeboard.com.
- Please pay close attention to the DEADLINES when registering.

Cost

- The COST of the test is due at the time you register online (credit card) or by mail (Check or money order, no CASH).
- You will receive an admission ticket online or by mail.
- You will need this ticket, ALONG WITH A PHOTO I.D., for admission to the test center.

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SAT SUBJECT AREA TESTS:

Along with the SAT Reasoning, some colleges will require the applicant to take one, two, or three SAT subject area tests. The registration form is the same as the SAT Reasoning and the tests are given on the SAME days. Therefore, you CANNOT take both on the same Saturday. The cost of the SAT Subject is: \$20.00 basic fee + a subject test fee for each test taken. No more than three (3) tests can be taken on any one test date. The subject area tests are about an hour in length. Please consult your college bulletins regarding test requirements.

Financial Aid

FAFSA on the Web: www.fafsa.gov

Interactive web version of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

FastWEB: www.fastweb.com

A free searchable scholarship database that enables you to locate sources of financial aid that suit you.

Financial Aid Information: www.finaid.org

Offerings and information on everything from scam alerts to scholarship searches.

Ohio College Access Portal: <http://ohiocap.ohiorc.org/>

A student and parent-friendly site that provides a plethora of information on how to pay for college including links to FAFSA and the Ohio Board of Regents.

Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (OASFAA): www.oasfaa.org

Features resources for students and parents on both Federal and State student aid.

US Department of Education: www.studentaid.ed.gov

Comprehensive source of all federal financial aid programs



College Search Sites

Association of Independent Colleges & Universities:

www.aicuo.edu

Direct links to home pages of private colleges and universities in Ohio which provides a matching assistance program of personal, social and academic interests.

Council of Admission Officers of Ohio's Public Universities:

www.OPUAC.org

Helpful information detailing Ohio's Public Universities, including school profiles, websites, and contacts.

KnowHow2Go: www.knowhow2go.org

Outlines steps for college preparation. Students can explore their interests, obtain financial aid information and learn resources where they can seek out additional help.

Ohio Mentor: www.Ohiomentor.org

Helps students plan their career, search for schools, apply for admissions and apply for financial aid.

The Princeton Review : www.review.com/college

Good search engine with a wide array of variables including location, academics, athletics, student life, and housing.

CollegeView: www.collegeview.com

Contains a quick college search as well as information on application process, financial aid, campus life, careers and majors.

Go College: www.gocollege.com

Provides valuable information on college preparation and admissions, financial aid, education options and college survival.

YOUiversity TV: www.youniversity.com

An interactive site that provides college video tours as well as videos on a variety of career options. This may be a useful tool to explore out of state schools.

WHICH TESTS (ACT/SAT) SHOULD YOU TAKE ?

The ACT test is composed of four tests: English, math, science and reading. An optional writing test has been added. The SAT test is composed of three tests: English, math and writing. If you are in the top quarter of your class, you may benefit by taking both tests during the spring of your junior year. Review your test results and retake the test where you did best during the fall of your senior year. **Always practice and review before re-testing.** You will not automatically do better simply by re-testing. Ultimately, the decision of which test to take is up to you. Review differences & similarities below to help with your decision.

	ACT	SAT
Test Purpose	Designed to measure academic achievement in the areas of English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning, and writing (recommended).	Designed to measure academic aptitude in terms of verbal and numerical reasoning and writing skills.
Method of Scoring	Scores are based on number of correct answers; no penalty for guessing. Each of the four exam sections receives a scale score of 1-36. These scores are averaged to get a student's composite score.	Scores are adjusted for guessing or wrong answers. Each of the three exam sections is scored on a scale of 200-800 for a combined maximum score of 2400.
Student Information	ACT offers a comprehensive student profile section, which consists of an educational and career planning component, ACT Interest Inventory, and World-of-Work Map	SAT offers a student descriptive questionnaire.
Length of Test	2 hours, 55 minutes (3 hours, 25 minutes if taking the optional Writing exam)	3 hours, 45 minutes

WHEN SHOULD YOU TAKE THE TESTS?

- It is best to take them in your JUNIOR YEAR (MARCH, APRIL, MAY, or JUNE) and/or EARLY SENIOR YEAR (SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER or DECEMBER).
- You may RETAKE these tests as often as you wish. It becomes COSTLY. Students retake the tests for various reasons (increase chances for admissions, for scholarships etc.) A 2 or 3 point increase on the ACT or a 30/40 point increase on the SAT could mean being admitted to the college of your choice as well as extra scholarship \$\$\$.

TEST DATES 2011-2012

ACT

TEST DATES	REGULAR DEADLINE	LATE FEE REQUIRED
June 11, 2011	May 6, 2011	May 7-20, 2011
September 10, 2011	August 12, 2011	August 13-26, 2011
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011	September 17-30, 2011
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011	November 5-18, 2011
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	January 14-20, 2012
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	March 10-23, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 12, 2012	May 5-18, 2012

ACT FEES

2010-11 TEST FEE* \$33.00

TEST FEE PLUS WRITING* \$33.00 + \$15.00 = \$48.00

LATE REGISTRATION FEE* plus \$21.00

We recommend that students take the optional writing test.

*Fee may increase for next school year

COMPUTER RESOURCES AND WEB SITES

DeSales High School Web Site

<http://www.stfrancisdesaleshs.org/>

Our Guidance link contains the Monthly Guidance Newsletter, ACT/SAT information, scholarship opportunities and more!

Comprehensive Guides

U.S. News Education Center: www.usnews.com (click on "Education")

College rankings, advice from high school counselors and financial experts, a comprehensive college search engine, and college links galore.

Peterson's Education and Career Center:
<http://www.petersons.com/college-search.aspx>

Campus news, advice on writing application essays, and an engine for college searches.

American College Testing (ACT):
www.actstudent.org

Helpful site on preparation for the ACT exam and educational/career planning.

The College Board (SAT): www.collegeboard.com

Useful information on finding a college, applying to college, planning and paying for college. Also, an abundance of information on the SAT.



SAT

4. **TYPE UP A LIST OF YOUR HS ACTIVITIES (Resumé)**

Include honors, awards, accomplishments, clubs, sports, community activities, church activities since Grade 9. Also include work experience, hobbies, and interests.

MAKE SEVERAL COPIES OF THIS ACTIVITIES LIST.

All applications ask for this list. When you come to that part on the application, say "See Attached List". There is a link on the Guidance department website to help you make a resumé.

5. **VISIT COLLEGE CAMPUSES THIS SUMMER!**

This will give you an idea what they look like, where they are located, the overall atmosphere.

6. **CONTACT COLLEGES**

E-mail or phone mid to late summer with application and scholarship questions.

7. **GET ORGANIZED!!!! KEEP A NOTEBOOK or FILE FOLDERS**

Keep track of the colleges and scholarships that interest you and those to which you apply.

You may receive a "ton" of mail this summer from all sorts of colleges, agencies, scholarship services, etc. **WEED OUT** those you are not interested in! Prioritize and file others.

8. **COME BACK NEXT AUGUST: ORGANIZED, REFRESHED, AND PREPARED**

You will be ready for a busy Senior year full of completing applications, meeting deadlines, writing final drafts of college essays, **AND KEEPING UP SENIOR GRADES!!!!**

REMEMBER:

THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT IS HERE TO HELP YOU THROUGH THIS PROCESS!!!



TEST DATES*	REGULAR DEADLINE	LATE FEE REQUIRED
June 4, 2011	May 6, 2011	May 7-20, 2011
October 1, 2011	**	**
November 5, 2011	**	**
December 3, 2011	**	**
January 28, 2012	**	**
March 10, 2012	**	**
May 5, 2012	**	**
June 2, 2012	**	**

*Test dates for next school year are tentative and will be confirmed in June.

**The Collegeboard website should have registration deadlines posted in June. Deadlines are approximately one month prior to the test date.

SAT FEES

2010-2011 TEST FEE SAT I* \$47.00

SAT II (SUBJECT TESTS)* \$21.00

LATE REGISTRATION* plus \$24.00

*Fee may increase for next school year

IMPORTANT NOTICE

FOR BOTH THE ACT AND THE SAT, THE STUDENT MUST HAVE PROPER IDENTIFICATION TO BE ADMITTED TO THE TEST CENTER:

- THE ADMISSION TICKET (which you receive from the testing agency)
- A PHOTO ID (drivers license, school ID).

REGISTER EARLY !!!

CHOOSING THE RIGHT COLLEGE FOR YOU

In choosing and comparing colleges, you should have a systematic and thorough approach that will give you as much information as possible. Listed below are questions you may refer to as you are investigating various colleges. Use these questions as you visit college campuses or talk with college representatives.

LOCATION & SIZE

- ~ How far away from home is it?
- ~ How do you get there?
- ~ What will a round trip cost you?
- ~ Do you plan to commute or stay on campus?
- ~ Is it located in a small, medium or large size community?
- ~ What size is the student body?

Where will YOU function best??

	Mega ~ 40,000 +
	Large ~ 15,000 to 30,000
	Medium ~ 2,500 to 15,000
	Small ~ 500 to 2,500

ADMISSION & REQUIREMENTS

- ~ How many high school credits and what types of courses are required or recommended to be considered for admission?
- ~ What are the ACT/SAT requirements? Do they want scores sent directly from the testing agency? Is ACT writing required?
- ~ Is an Interview required or recommended?
- ~ Are letters of recommendation needed? How many?
- ~ Application fee?
- ~ Out of State fees? (if it is a public institution)
- ~ Will I need to write an Essay/Personal Statement?

SELECTION PROCESS

- ~ Rank in class for admitted freshmen?
- ~ What is the average GPA/test scores of admitted freshmen?
- ~ What emphasis is placed on ACT/SAT scores?
- ~ What about school activities?
- ~ Where do you fit into the picture?

PREPARING FOR SENIOR YEAR & THE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

The following items could help alleviate some of the stress, frustration, and work that will be required of you come next year as you apply to colleges, scholarships, and for financial aid.

1. ***DO NOT SLACK OFF YOUR SENIOR YEAR!***

Schedule classes that are MOST CHALLENGING AND DEMANDING. Colleges look very closely at your Junior and Senior year courses and grades. Many colleges require first semester grades from your Senior Year.

2. ***TAKE or RETAKE ACT/SAT EARLY***

Before Christmas is best. Increasing your ACT Composite 3 or 4 points or SAT 30 or 40 points can increase your chances to be more competitive for scholarship money and ADMISSIONS.

3. ***Work on your PERSONAL STATEMENTS/ESSAYS this summer.***

Many colleges and scholarship applications require an essay. Some examples of typical essay questions are:

- A) If you could change one thing in your life, what would it be? And why?
- B) Drawing on some personal experience, write a fable.
- C) Tell us about an important event in your life.
- D) Tell us about your ambitions, goals, background.
- E) How have your HS/work experience/family/high school activities contributed to your personal development?
- F) What are your long term goals, both personal and professional? How will you arrive at these goals?
- G) What is the biggest risk you have taken in your life and what did you learn from the experience?

***WRITE, REWRITE, REVIEW, PROOFREAD, HAVE
SOMEONE ELSE PROOFREAD YOUR ESSAY!***

JANUARY



- Attend Financial Aid Workshop.
- Complete FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1st.
- Some colleges require Mid-Year (1st Semester) Report of Senior year grades. Inform your counselor if this is the case.
- Apply for any special scholarships available.

FEBRUARY/MARCH/APRIL

- Student begins to hear from colleges regarding acceptance.
- Bring all notification letters in to guidance counselor.
- Late March/April regarding financial aid packages.

MAY 1ST

- Must respond to colleges' offers of admission and aid/scholarship awards.
- Down payments required.
- FINAL DECISIONS MUST BE MADE ~ notify counselor.
- Withdraw applications from colleges not to be attended.
- Write thank you note to those colleges.
- Respond to college choice regarding orientation program for fall classes.
- Counselors will visit your classes to distribute a final senior survey.

JUNE

- GRADUATION!!!
- Final Transcripts will be sent to your new school.

YOU ARE ON YOUR WAY...to bigger and better things!



ADMISSION PROCEDURES

- ~ Application deadline? Early Decision? Early Action?
- ~ Rolling Admission? Notification date?
- ~ Deposit? How Much? Refundable?
- ~ Size of Freshmen class?
- ~ Number applied versus number accepted?
- ~ Percent that return as sophomores?
- ~ Graduation rate in 4 or 5 years?

FINANCIAL AID & COSTS

- ~ Cost of tuition, fees, room and board, travel, books & supplies?
- ~ What financial aid is available?
- ~ Scholarships/grants, work study/loans?
- ~ Deferred payment plan? Tuition plans?
- ~ What financial aid forms are required? FAFSA deadline?
- ~ How many incoming students receive financial aid?
- ~ What percentage of financial aid is gifts? loans? work study?

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- ~ Majors offered? Degrees granted?
- ~ Pre-professional programs? Honors program requirements?
- ~ Special Programs? Study abroad? Co-Op programs?
- ~ Job Placement services? Academic Advisors?
- ~ How many go onto graduate schools?
- ~ Will you be taught by TA's in the freshman year?
- ~ Graduation requirements? Transfer policies?
- ~ How difficult is it to change majors?
- ~ What if I am undecided? When must I declare a major?

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

- ~ How are the dorm accommodations? Clean, well lighted?
- ~ How many to a room? Co-ed dorms? Quiet dorms?
- ~ Guaranteed housing for freshmen? Off-campus housing?
- ~ Dining facilities? College Town atmosphere?
- ~ Counseling services available? Services for learning disabilities?
- ~ How spacious and well equipped are the labs/library/student center/availability of computers?
- ~ Recreational facilities? Clubs? Emphasis on Greek life?
- ~ Campus safety? Escort service? Security?
- ~ Do the students seem friendly and happy?

THEN ASK YOURSELF--Does this seem like a place where I would really enjoy living and studying for the next four years?



FINANCIAL AID: STATE



Comprehensive Link for State Aid

www.regents.ohio.gov

*Click on "Students & Families"

We recommend visiting the Ohio Board of Regents website to learn about grants and scholarships funded by the State of Ohio. Detailed information is provided for the following:

- Ohio College Opportunity Grant
- Ohio War Orphans Scholarship
- Ohio Safety Officers College Memorial Fund
- Regents Graduate/Professional Fellowship Program
- Robert C. Byrd Honors Program
- Nurse Education Assistance Loan Program



FINANCIAL AID: FEDERAL

Comprehensive Link for Federal Aid

www.studentaid.ed.gov

*Click on "Federal Student Aid Programs"

Visit Student Aid on the Web to learn more about the following federal student aid programs:

- **Grants** (FREE MONEY!!!!): Federal Pell Grant, TEACH Grant, Academic Competitiveness Grant, National SMART Grant, Institutional grants, Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant
- **Campus-Based Aid:** Federal Supplemental Opportunity Grant, Federal Work Study, Federal Perkins Loan
- **Loans:** Stafford loans, Parent PLUS loan

~ SENIOR YEAR ~

SEPTEMBER through JANUARY

- Visit with college reps that come to DeSales.
- Register for Fall ACT/SAT.

OCTOBER through DECEMBER

- Determine which applications require letters of recommendation and secure your recommenders.
- APPLY TO COLLEGE(S).
- Complete applications and institution financial aid forms.
- Bring them to the Guidance Office for processing.
- Make appointment with your Counselor.

OCTOBER

- Attend college fairs in the area.
- Register for December SAT test if required by college.



NOVEMBER

- *Ideally* ~ All applications should be mailed to colleges by Thanksgiving.
- Be aware of early deadlines
- ROTC Scholarship deadline
- Take ASVAB Test if interested in Military

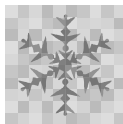
DECEMBER

- College applications processed through the Guidance Office.
- Special Scholarship Applications
- Obtain national FINANCIAL AID FORMS (FAFSA) used by all colleges to determine eligibility for ALL FEDERAL GRANTS, LOANS, CWS, need based college scholarships, and grants.



JANUARY

- Attend annual FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP at DeSales to learn how to apply for federal, state, and college financial aid. Available for Parents and Students.



FEBRUARY

- Review college information sent to you from colleges.
- Begin to narrow down your college selections.
- Go online to see what each college has to offer you.
- Decide which colleges you want to visit in the spring and summer.

MARCH



- Pre-college planning with counselor.
- Register for March/April ACT/SATs
- Get info on ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS for college credit- tests given here at DeSales in MAY.
- Schedule classes for Senior Year.

APRIL/MAY

- See Counselor regarding special scholarships (ROTC) Military Academy appointments.
- Register for ACT/SAT
- Register with the NCAA Eligibility Center for those athletes planning to participate in Division I/II in college.
- Parent Session on College Admissions



SCHOLARSHIPS



Comprehensive Scholarship Search
www.FASTWEB.com

Joyce Scholarship to OSU & University of Notre Dame

Awarded to students in FRANKLIN and surrounding counties. Must attend OSU or ND. Pays for full tuition. Based on high academics, ACT/SAT scores, activities, and need. No Special application for ND. Apply to OSU and ND for admission. Each University chooses their own winners.

Battelle Memorial Scholarship

OSU, Otterbein, Capital, ODU, Franklin, Denison, Ohio Wesleyan, CCAD

For students of FRANKLIN and surrounding counties. Not need-based. Based on LEADERSHIP, ACADEMIC, POTENTIAL, AND ACHIEVEMENT. Contact colleges for more information.

University or College Scholarships (No Need)

Most colleges and universities award academic scholarships based on academic excellence. Apply directly to the college.

University or College Aid (Based on Need)

The MAJORITY of aid is awarded in this category. Apply to college, complete any aid form required by the college, and complete the **FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)** in January of Senior year. Some colleges also require the **CSS Financial Aid PROFILE FORM**.

Minority Scholarships

Most colleges and universities have a special office for minority students (Black American, Asian, Hispanic, Native American). Scholarships are usually available for under-represented groups. Please consult the college bulletins or the Guidance Office for information.

Athletic Grants

Given by Division I and II NCAA schools and NAIA schools. Based on athletic ability and grades. Contact made through the high school coach and college coach.

Talent Awards

Art, Theater, Music, etc. Usually have to audition or present examples of your work. Very competitive. Contact department at the college.



LOCAL/REGIONAL/NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The following is a partial list of Scholarships available for DeSales Students:

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation
Burger King Scholars Program
KFC Colonel's Scholars Program
Sam Walton Community Scholarship (Walmart)
Buick Achievers Scholarship Program
AAA Auto Club School Safety Patrol Scholarship
US Bank Internet Scholarship Program
Elks National Foundation Scholarships
National Co-Op Scholarship Program
Scholar Milk Mustache of the Year (SAMMY) Awards
Gates Millennium Scholarship
Ron Brown Scholar Program
AEP Foundation Scholarship
John H. McConnell Scholarship Foundation (Blue Jackets)
Westerville Rotary Club Scholarship
Beechcroft Lions Club Terry Theis Scholarship
Builder's Exchange of Central Ohio Scholarship
Charles L. Warren Memorial Heritage Scholarship
Russell A. and Sophia Jean Hall Scholarship
Abbott and Fenner Scholarship Program
James Kura Memorial Scholarship
For-Mel Women's Club Scholarship
Frank Jarosi Memorial Soccer Scholarship
Christopher Columbus Education Foundation Scholarship
William D. Squires Educational Foundation Scholarship
Vietnam Veterans Commemorative Scholarship
Columbus Italian Club Scholarship
Piave Italian Club Scholarship
Father Casto Marrapese Scholarship
Latin Ladies Organization Scholarship
BioOhio Scholarship
Newcomer Funeral Home Traditions of Caring Nursing Scholarship
AES Engineering Scholarship
SAE International Engineering Scholarships

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNIOR & SENIOR YEAR

Preparing for higher education beyond high school takes planning and following a schedule of events beginning early in the JUNIOR YEAR. For you to make some meaningful decisions in the SPRING OF YOUR SENIOR YEAR, the following items should be part of your process:

Your JUNIOR/SENIOR YEAR, should be the most challenging and demanding as far as your course of study goes. Check off those things already accomplished:

~ JUNIOR YEAR ~

OCTOBER

- Take PSAT Test (pre-college/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)
- Columbus Suburban College Fair
- Columbus Kiwanis College Fair

NOVEMBER

- Take the ACT Prep class offered at DeSales
- Take the Armed Service Test if thinking about military career.

DECEMBER

- Review the results of the PSAT Test with your Counselor .
- Plan to attend Financial Aid Seminars in the area.



MILITARY SCHOLARSHIPS

U.S. MILITARY ACADEMIES

Pays all costs for education. Four to 6 year obligation in military service after graduation from the Academy. **MUST** be nominated by SENATOR OR REPRESENTATIVE. Student should apply in SPRING or SUMMER of JUNIOR YEAR. Student should be in top quarter of class, HIGH ACT/SAT SCORES, LEADERSHIP QUALITIES (activities in H.S.), excellent physical condition, and high moral character. VISIT INDIVIDUAL WEBSITES FOR INFORMATION ON THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS.

ROTC SCHOLARSHIPS

Pays a high percentage of tuition, fees, and books at any college which has that ROTC branch on campus (Army, Navy, or Air Force). Student is given \$300-500 for 10 months to help cover room and board. There is a military obligation to serve on Active Duty after graduation. Selection process varies but first elimination is through ACT/SAT scores. Student should be in top quarter of class, be involved in activities, and have strong test scores. School recommendations are also very important in the selection process.

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

By joining the OHIO NATIONAL GUARD (6-Year obligation), the Guard will pay 100% of TUITION AND FEES at ANY STATE UNIVERSITY or an equivalent of the average state university tuition at a private college/school. Contact the OHIO NATIONAL GUARD for more information.



ELIGIBILITY CENTER FOR ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Any junior who believes that he/she will participate in intercollegiate athletics at a Division I or II NCAA institution should register with NCAA Eligibility Center by the end of their Junior year. NCAA will first act on your application when final Junior year grades are received. Final senior grades required. If you have questions, talk with Mr. Baker or your counselor. Registration is done online at www.eligibilitycenter.org

Ohio Newspapers Foundation Minority Scholarship
Columbus Chapter of Ohio Credit Union League Scholarship
Midstate Educator's Credit Union Scholarship
Battelle Scholarships
Glenna R. Joyce Scholarship to OSU
Glenna R. Joyce Scholarship to Notre Dame
Morrill Scholars Program (OSU)
OSU Franklin County Alumni Club Scholarship
OSU Young Buckeyes of Central Ohio Scholarship
Tim Woodward Memorial Scholarship to OSU
Nancy Billy Memorial Scholarship to Capital
The Jennifer Scholarship for Nursing
Carl Edward Hennon, IV Memorial Scholarship for Art
Columbus State Community College Scholarships

GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER & WEBSITE

Each month the Guidance Department publishes a Newsletter which lists many current scholarships. Also, a scholarship listing is continually updated on the Guidance website:
<http://www.stfrancisdesaleshs.org/current-students/guidance>



- ~Apply for scholarships early in your Senior year
- ~Apply for as many as possible
- ~Seek out scholarship information



*For things to happen,
you have to make them
happen!!*