Life After High School

Senior Year

Post High School Preparation

1st Semester (Sept-Dec)

- **Start your year by finalizing your college list.**
  - Continue to visit schools if you have not exhausted your list already.
  - Be prepared to ask questions of the admissions representative.
  - Take along this checklist.

- **Register for required tests, it’s your last chance to take the SAT or ACT.**
  - Colleges take your best score (some superscore).
  - When registering (www.actstudent.org, $52.00), request your scores be sent to WHS (263-510); you can also request scores be sent to 4 colleges. If qualify for F/R lunch, request a waiver from your counselor.
  - Take advantage of ACT tutoring opportunities (see back).
  - Consider taking the ASVAB—Oct 31 7:35 Library Media Center

- **Apply early to make sure you qualify for as many scholarships as possible.**
  - Know the deadline for the college, if they have one. Some are early Nov/Dec and most apps are online (Admissions page). If qualify for F/R lunch, request a waiver from your counselor.
  - Remember that your college applications aren’t going to be a one-day-and-you’re-done situation. You’ll need to gather outside information and documents including your letter of recommendations, high school transcripts, and test scores. What does this mean for you? Start your applications early, so you have plenty of time to gather everything you need.

- **Attend the College Fair at UCM, Sept 26th from 1-2:30 at the Multi.**
  - Admissions reps/recruiters from more than 60 organizations.
  - Must preregister at http://www.strivefair.com/. Print out/download to phone, the barcode.

- **Submit your FAFSA (for 2020-2021) forms ASAP after October 1st. Priority deadline is March 1, 2019 for federal funds and Feb 1 for Missouri funds.**
  - Attend Financial Aid Night at WHS on Oct. 2 at 6:30 in Lecture Room.

- **Fill out scholarships. Check the WHS webpage for all scholarship info., as well as with your parents’ employers, college departments.**
  - Some schools send out packages on a first come, first serve basis.
  - Be as accurate as possible since errors could delay your final award.

- **Register with the NCAA/NAIA Clearinghouse if you want to play sports in college, as well as alert your counselor.**
  - Registration is $90 (fee waivers if F/R). Must also send ACT scores here. Code for NCAA is 9999 and for NAIA is 9876.

- **Attend your Senior Interview with your Counselor. Come prepared with questions.**

- **Consider UCM Innovation Track for the Spring semester. (Deadline-Nov. 21)**
  - Contact Haley Farnsworth at 660-543-8351 or hfarnsworth@ucmo.edu

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Turn over for other important dates and information!
2nd Semester (Jan-May)

- **Finalize your college/work/military (life after high school) decision.**
  Talk with the adults in your life that care about you. Re-examine what is important to you.
  Contact the schools you didn’t choose to let them know you aren’t attending.
- **Verify your financial aid.**
- **Follow our last admissions checklist to meet housing deadlines.**

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**2019-2020 ACT Test Dates:**

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**ACT Tutoring:** Tutoring in preparation for the ACT is offered during Academy in each of the following ACT test subject areas: **Tuesdays-Math (Mr. Richner – Rm 209); Fridays-Science (Mr. Richner-Rm 209).** Students must sign up for a tutoring session prior to participation. Cut-off date for signing up for ACT Tutoring is the Wednesday prior to the beginning of the 6 week session leading up to the ACT test in Oct., Dec., Feb., and April. Sign up in Mr. Richner’s room or at Mrs. King’s desk in the Counseling Office. Students only need to sign up for the particular subject area(s) in which they seek help.

UCM is also offering ACT tutoring this Fall on **Tuesday, November 26th.** Deadline to sign up is one month in advance. Pick up app in Counseling Office.

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**Important Dates:**

- **College Fair**—Sept. 26; 1:00 – 2:30 p.m., UCM Multi (get pass from Sept 24-26 in advance from Counseling Office)
- **Financial Aid Information Night** (students & parents)—October 2; 6:30 – 7:30 p.m; Lecture Room
- **ASVAB testing**—Oct 31; 7:35 a.m., High School Media Center (sign up in Counseling Office)
- **ITRK Spring Deadline**—Nov. 21
- **FAFSA** Completion priority deadline: February 1, 2019
- **Senior Awards Night** – May 15; 6:30 p.m.; Lecture Room
- **WHS Commencement at UCM Multipurpose Building**—May 16; 7:30 p.m.