

Guidance Newsletter

September 2016

Important Dates

Thursday, September 15 th	Toyota AMT Speaker Grades 6-12
Friday, September 16 th	Deadline to register for Oct. 22 nd ACT
Wednesday, September 21 st	Early Release – 2:00pm
Friday, September 23 rd	WestGate @ Crane Scholarship Deadline (seniors)
September 26 th – September 30 th	College GO! Week
Saturday, October 1 st	2017-18 FAFSA becomes available (seniors) SAT
Tuesday, October 4 th	College Fair @ WestGate (juniors)
Friday, October 7 th	Deadline to register for Nov. 5 th SAT End of 1 st grading period
October 10 th – 14 th	FALL BREAK
Wednesday, October 19 th	PSAT – Sophomores & Juniors
Tuesday, November 1 st	Early Action Deadline for Butler (seniors) Deadline for IU Achievement Scholarships & IU Selective Scholarship consideration

Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program

The Office of Naval Research's Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program application is now open. High School Students grades 10-12 can open an application at <http://seap.asee.org/>. The deadline for the application, transcripts, and letters of recommendation is November 30, 2016 at 6:00pm EST. If you have questions, you can email seap@asee.org or call 202-649-3833.

This apprenticeship program allows students to participate in research at a Department of Navy (NSWC Crane) laboratory during the summer. Students are paid \$3,300 for 8 continuous weeks of work.

Toyota AMT Program to speak to all Barr-Reeve Students 6-12

On Thursday, September 15th, Chris Melvin with Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indiana will be at Barr-Reeve to speak to all students about the VU/Toyota AMT program. He will be speaking to all seniors in their senior English classes. He will speak to all 9th-11th grades during HS Homeroom and grades 6-8 during Middle School Homeroom. The Toyota Advanced Manufacturing Technician Program (AMT) includes a two-year degree in Advanced Manufacturing Automation Technology that combines cutting-edge curriculum, paid working experience, along with learning highly sought-after business principles and best practices of a world-class manufacturer. Students earn a wage while attending college. Over two years, students can earn as much as \$40,000 in salary, which can cover all educational expenses. If hired by

Toyota upon graduation, graduates have the potential to earn as much as \$64,000 yearly, plus excellent benefits. Visit www.vinu.edu/web/guest/technology to learn more!

Barr-Reeve Juniors will attend WestGate@Crane College Fair

On Tuesday, October 4th we will be taking all juniors to the College Fair held annually at WestGate@Crane. Students will have the opportunity to speak with Admission Representatives from several Indiana public and private colleges & universities. At the College Fair, three \$1,000 college scholarships will also be awarded (must be senior to apply). Any seniors who apply for the scholarship are welcome to go with us also. If selected for one of the three scholarships, students must be present to win.

College Rep Visits @ Barr-Reeve

September 15	Toyota AMT Program	all students 6-12
September 19	Wabash College	Mrs. Badger's 7 th period
September 28	Indiana State University	Mrs. Badger's 7 th period
September 30	IU	Mrs. Badger's 2 nd period
October 18	Franklin College	Mrs. Badger's 7 th period

*If you are a senior and would like to attend one of these visits, but are not in Mrs. Badger's class that period, please let me know! We can make arrangements for you to sit in on their presentations!!

College GO! Week September 26-30th

College GO! Week is a statewide initiative to help Hoosiers plan for college, prepare for careers and pay for education. In honor of College GO! Week, Vincennes University and Indiana State University are ***waiving their application fee for the entire month of September!*** Apply for FREE today at www.vinu.edu/apply for VU or www.indstate.edu for ISU!

Sophomores & Juniors to take PSAT on Wednesday, October 19th

All sophomores and juniors will be taking the PSAT (Preliminary SAT) Wednesday, October 19th from 8:00-approximately 11:15am. This test is paid for by the Indiana Department of Education. It is a great practice for preparing for the SAT and can also be useful in planning course selection.

PSAT scores have held increasing importance in recent years. Students must score 940 or higher in order to be eligible to earn dual credit through Oakland City University in English 11 or 12 Honors, Psychology, U.S. History, Government, Pre-Calculus, or AP Calculus. In addition, failure to meet College & Career Readiness benchmarks on the PSAT will require students to participate in the Accuplacer Assessment which could result in remediation during the junior or senior years of high school in order to be 'College and Career Ready' upon graduation. College ready means the student has the skills necessary to succeed at beginning college level classes without the need to take remedial coursework. Career ready is having the skills necessary to qualify for and succeed in a technical program or an apprenticeship or to enlist in the military.

Test results should be returned in December. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Sward at 486-3265 ext. 227 or csward@barr.k12.in.us.

Spirit of Service: 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards provides schools with an opportunity to celebrate the spirit of volunteerism throughout our student body and recognize students who have distinguished themselves through community service. All students in our school who have participated in community service activities over the past year are encouraged to fill out an online application at <http://spirit.prudential.com>.

Applications must be submitted by November 8, 2016. Then, Barr-Reeve will select one student to nominate for state-level honors. Barr-Reeve's nominee will receive the President's Volunteer Service Award and will become eligible to win a \$1,000 or more, engraved medallion, and an all-expense paid trip to Washington, DC next spring for four days of special recognition events.

National Portfolio Day

National Portfolio Day will be held on October 8th at Vincennes University. Bring your portfolio and meet one-on-one with top art and design colleges and universities. Visit www.portfolioday.net for more information and how to attend as well as research member colleges and universities.

Young Arts

If you are a visual, literary, design or performing artist between the ages of 15 and 18 or in grades 10-12 you could: Win a cash prize of up to \$10,000, Take Master Classes with accomplished artists, Become a U.S. Presidential Scholar in the arts, Receive a lifetime of professional support. Visit youngarts.org/apply. Deadline: October 14, 2016 11:59PM EST. Questions? Email apply@youngarts.org. Applications accepted in cinematic arts, classical music, dance, design arts, jazz, photography, theater, visual arts, voice and writing.

The Homework Gap

A Short Documentary by Stephan Malik
www.anchorfield.com

They are casting a mini-documentary about the effects of the 'digital divide' on families who cannot afford internet at home. This documentary will give a voice to the students whose academic needs are not being met because of a simple lack of internet access at home; something most Americans take for granted. They are looking for teens aged 13-16 who do not have access to internet at home or on their phone to participate in their film project. Students must be willing to introduce them to their families, friends, and to openly speak about their life, dreams, and education. Families selected for the documentary will be compensated. If you are interested in being a part of this film project, please contact them at thehomeworkgap@anchorfield.com.

Parenting Classes Offered

Purdue University Cooperative Extension is offering parenting classes for those interested in learning additional skills in communication and discipline strategies with their children. Classes will be Monday, Oct. 3, 17, and 24th at the Washington Catholic Library from 6:30-8:30pm. There is no charge for these classes. To register call 254-8668 by September 30th.

College & Career Expo

A College & Career Expo will be held Sunday, September 18th from 1-4pm at the Kentucky Expo Center in Louisville, KY and on Sunday, September 25th from 1-4pm at the Owensboro Convention Center. All times are local. There will be hundreds of exhibitors and over \$500,000 in scholarships being offered throughout

each expo. An iPad mini will be given away every 30 minutes at the event. Visit www.collegeandcareerexpo.com to learn more!

Attention Community SuperStars 5th -8th Grades

Are you in 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grades? Are you a leader in your community? Have you been active in your community through church, 4-H, Scouting, school, or other organizations? Do your parents live on electric cooperative lines in Indiana? If so enter the 2016 Youth Power and Hope Awards, sponsored by Electric Consumer! Winners will travel to Indianapolis this December to be recognized for their achievements and to attend a special program in their honor. To apply, visit www.electricconsumer.org/?p=230.

Registration deadline is September 30th.

21st Century Scholars News

Just as a reminder, students must have a 2.5 GPA and graduate with the Core 40 diploma or higher in order to keep their 21st Century scholarship.

A 'Scholar Success Program' is now required for all students in the 21st Century Scholars Program. Students must complete the following Scholar Success Program activities each year:

GRADE LEVEL	PLAN for College	PREPARE for College	PAY for College
9	Graduation Plan	Extra-curricular or service activity	Paying for College 101
10	Career Interest Assessment	Workplace Experience	College Costs Estimator
11	College Visit	College Entrance Exam	Scholarship Search
12	Submit College Application	Watch 'College Success 101'	File Your FAFSA

Once these activities have been completed, students need to document their completion in the student's online ScholarTrack account. We help guide students through this process at school. However, it is ultimately the student and family's responsibility to complete these activities & complete the documentation process in ScholarTrack. Visit <https://secure.in.gov/apps/Che/scholartrack/> to create or access your account!

Guidance Announcements

- Fastweb.com is a great resource for scholarship matches, college resources, financial aid tips, and internship opportunities. www.fastweb.com
- Washington University in St. Louis is hosting an Admissions Information Session on Thursday, October 13th from 7-8pm at the Embassy Suites – Louisville East. For additional information call 1-800-638-0700
- Scholly – a mobile app that helps scholarships find you! #getscholly www.myscholly.com @myscholly Download the app today!
- Independent Colleges of Indiana introduces '31 Answers to Your Questions About College', a new web-portal where students can find relevant information about college, as well as qualify for a \$5,000 scholarship. Each weekday from September 19th – October 31st, ICI will post a frequently-

asked question about college on the portal at www.indianacolleges31.org. At the end of the campaign, students who have followed along can enter into a drawing to receive one of two, \$5,000 scholarships. This contest is open to current 8th – 12th grade students. The scholarship can be used at any Indiana private college.

- Earn a certificate in Dental Assisting while completing an IUPUI Degree! IU School of Dentistry and IUPUI offer a 9 month dental assisting program that goes together with 4 baccalaureate degrees on campus. IUPUI graduates get great jobs while they complete their BS degree, if they decide they want to continue their education. Learn more at www.assisting.dentistry.iu.edu.
- College Planning On the Go... 'College Go'....a new free app by CollegeBoard to help with all things College! Download the app for free today in Google Play or the App Store.

College Preview Days/Open Houses

**Students are allowed two days of college visitations during their senior year and one day during the junior year. It is the responsibility of the student/parent to set up an individual college visit. To do so, you should contact the Admissions Office at the particular university at least 2 weeks prior to the date you would like to visit. Students must have proper paperwork (2 forms) on file in the guidance office for the absence to be excused and not count as an absence.*

Seniors Exploring Engineering at Purdue will be held Monday, October 17th for young women who have an interest in engineering. Connect with current engineering students, interact with current engineering career professionals, tour campus and enjoy a free lunch. To register, visit www.purdue.edu/WIEP and look under 'events' tab. Registrations are due by Oct. 10th are limited to the first 250 students.

IU hosts Evansville Area Preview on Sunday, September 18th at 2:00pm CST at The Bauerhaus 13605 Darmstadt Road, Evansville, IN 47725. To register, visit www.admissions.indiana.edu/previews.

IU School of Dentistry is hosting Allied Dental Day Saturday, October 1st from 9am-12pm. Are you interested in learning about a career in Dental Assisting or Dental Hygiene? This day is for you! To register, please call 317-274-7801 or email pnichol@iu.edu.

Indiana State University will be hosting the following visit dates:

September 13	Criminology Preview Day
September 20	Honors Visit Day
September 30	College of Technology Preview Day
October 4	Honors Visit Day
October 10	Sycamore Preview Day
October 21	Find Your Blue: SOPHOMORE EDITION
October 25	Honors Visit Day
November 5	Sycamore Preview Day
November 10	Honors Visit Day
November 12	College of Health and Human Services Preview Day
November 16	Teachers of Tomorrow Day
November 29	Honors Visit Day

To find out more or to register, please visit indstate.edu/visiting.

Wabash Valley College in Mt. Carmel, Illinois is hosting Diesel Day on Wednesday, October 12th. To register, please contact Trina Dunkel at 618-263-5195.

Marian University will be hosting the following preview days this year:

October 8	Fall Preview Day
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February 18	Blue and Gold Day
March 18	Spring Preview Day
April 7	Nursing Open House
April 8	Blue and Gold Days

Register now for any of these events by emailing campusvisit@marian.edu, calling 1-800-772-7264, or visiting www.marian.edu/EventDaySignUp.

University of Southern Indiana: USI will be hosting Open Houses on October 15, November 12, March 18, and April 8th. Visit www.usi.edu/visit to sign up or call 812-464-1765. Weekday visit options are also available.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

We are very excited to announce that Barr-Reeve seniors will have a new scholarship available this spring!! **The Ken and Paula Jones Scholarship** will go to a 2017 Barr-Reeve senior who has a 3.0 GPA, has been involved in extra-curricular activities throughout high school and is employed their senior year. This is a \$1,000 scholarship. It will have a spring application timeline. Look for more information in the newsletter this spring. We would like to sincerely thank Mr. and Mrs. Ken and Paula Jones for creating this fund to benefit Barr-Reeve students!!

IU Achievement Scholarships – Provost Scholarship is \$1,000 - \$8,000 per year for incoming in-state Freshmen. Scholarship amounts are determined by academic performance. Academic performance will be assessed based on information provided through your application for admission, including official test scores, and high school transcript information if all materials are received by November 1st.

Staples is hosting a ‘Staples for Students Sweepstakes’ where students can enter to win a \$50,000 scholarship. Once you make a purchase at Staples you can enter your code on your receipt online. Visit any Staples to learn more!

WestGate@Crane College Fair Scholarship

Award: Three scholarships will be awarded. (\$1,000 in the past)
 School: Any
 Major: Any
 Criteria: Must be a senior attending the WestGate@Crane College Fair on Tuesday, Oct. 4th. Must compose essay and provide 2 letters of recommendation. Refer to full sheet of instructions in Mrs. Sward’s Senior Stuff Google Classroom.
 Deadline: 5:00pm September 23, 2016

Wendy’s High School Heisman Scholarship

Award: 100 scholarships will be awarded ranging from \$1,000-\$10,000
 School: Any
 Major: Any
 Criteria: To apply, students must be high school seniors with a 3.0 GPA or higher, participate in at least 1 sport, and be a leader in school and the community. Apply online today at www.wendyshighschoolheisman.com.
 Deadline: 6:00pm EST October 3, 2016

The United States Jaycee Senate Foundation Scholarship

Award: \$1,000

School: Any
 Major: Any
 Criteria: Visit www.usjcsenate.org to obtain a copy of the application. (not posted yet) This is an academic scholarship. Each year the scholarships are judged in January so they can be submitted for national judging. Indiana is allowed to submit two students for national judging. Students do not have to have a relative that is or was a Jaycee. For more information, contact Kyle Wright at 219-866-6586 or k-w-4@hotmail.com
 Deadline: Not listed

Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship

Award: Awards range from \$4,000-\$50,000
 School: Any
 Major: Any
 Criteria: Must be high school senior and a U.S. citizen. Applications are judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. Applications are available online at www.enf.elks.org/mvs.
 Deadline: November 30, 2016

TESTING INFORMATION

2016-2017 SAT DATES:

Test Date:	Regular Registration Deadline:	Late Registration Deadline:
October 1	September 1	September 20
November 5	October 7	October 25
December 3	November 3	November 22
January 21	December 21	January 10
March 11	February 10	February 28
May 6	April 7	April 25
June 3	May 9	May 24

2016-2017 ACT DATES:

Test Date:	Regular Registration Deadline:	Late Registration Deadline:
October 22	September 16	September 30
December 10	November 4	November 18
February 11	January 13	January 20
April 8	March 3	March 17
June 10	May 5	May 19

- Remember if you are a 21st Century Scholar or in Project Aspire, you can get a fee waiver for the test registration fee. Please see Mrs. Sward or Mrs. Clark to obtain a fee waiver.
- To register for the SAT please visit www.sat.org/register.
- To register for the ACT please visit www.actstudent.org
- ***Barr-Reeve CEEB Code to register is 152-395.***

- Students wishing to register with the NCAA Clearinghouse must list the NCAA eligibility center on their test registration as a school/institution to receive their test scores. NCAA eligibility center code is 9999. IU and Purdue also require test scores be sent directly from the testing agency.
- Eligible students can register with a fee waiver during the late period for any SAT test date. No late fee will apply. Note that deadlines for registering online are later than for paper registrations. See sat.org/register for appropriate deadlines.

SAT Info for Parents & Students:

To Access SAT Results students must create a CollegeBoard account. (Most students will already have a CollegeBoard account because that is how they registered for the test. Remember those passwords!) Students can log in to view their scores directly at studentscores.collegeboard.org. If you have created multiple accounts and are having trouble, call 1-866-756-7346.

Students can also create a Khan Academy Account (once they have a CollegeBoard account) to link their scores and get free SAT practice at satpractice.org – I would definitely recommend this for sophomores & juniors!!

Finally, students can download the Daily Practice for the New SAT App to a smartphone. This will make daily practice part of their routine any place, any time. sat.org/scoring Again, I would highly recommend this for current sophomores & juniors!! It's never too early and high test scores can = more in scholarship \$\$.

SAT Reminder for Seniors & Parents:

IU and Purdue REQUIRE SAT and ACT test scores come directly from the testing agency. If you are applying to IU or Purdue, you will want to make sure you've sent your SAT or ACT test scores directly to them when you registered for the test. If not, you can do so now, but there may be a small fee. Remember November 1st is the deadline to have EVERYTHING (INCLUDING TEST SCORES) to IU or Purdue.

SAT Prep Course offered through USI:

Getting Ready for the New SAT – Grades 9-12

Cost \$120 (if you do both sessions; one session costs \$65)

ACA400 Verbal Skills for the SAT: October 22nd 9am-3pm USI Education Center, Room 1126

ACA401 Math Skills for the SAT: October 29th 9am-3pm USI Education Center, Room 1126

To register call 1-800-467-8600 or email outreach@usi.edu

Visit www.usi.edu/lifelonglearning to learn more.