

Guidance Newsletter

September 2017

Important Dates

September 8, 2017	Registration Deadline for Oct. 7th SAT Toyota AMT Speaker Grades 9-12
September 9, 2017	ACT
September 11, 2017	Progress Reports Lilly Scholarship Application Deadline (seniors)
September 15, 2017	WestGate @ Crane Scholarship Deadline (seniors)
September 20, 2017	Early Release 1:00pm
September 22, 2017	Registration Deadline for Oct. 28th ACT
September 25-29th	College GO! Week
September 27, 2017	College Information & Financial Aid Night (seniors)
October 1, 2017	2018-19 FAFSA becomes available (seniors)
October 3, 2017	College Fair @ WestGate (juniors)
October 5, 2017	Registration Deadline for Nov. 4th SAT
October 6, 2017	End of 1st grading period

College Information and Financial Aid Night September 27th

We will be hosting a College Information Night AND Financial Aid Night for seniors and their parents on Wednesday, September 27th at 6:00pm in the cafeteria. Come and learn all you need to know about filing the 2018-2019 FAFSA as well as other important information in regard to the college application process.

Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program

The Office of Naval Research's Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program application is now open. This is an 8 week paid internship position at Crane. High School students grades 10-12 can open an application at <http://seap.asee.org/>. The deadline for the application, transcripts, and letter of recommendation is October 31, 2017 at 6:00pm EST. If you have questions, you can email seap@asee.org.

Toyota AMT Program to Speak to All Students Grades 9-12

On Friday, September 8, 2017, 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 students grades 9-12 during high school homeroom in the gym. 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 3rd 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. If selected for one of the three scholarships, students must be present to win.

College Rep Visits @ Barr-Reeve

September 18	Indiana University	Mrs. Badger's 2nd period
September 18	Indiana State University	Mrs. Badger's 7 th period
October 5	USI	Mrs. Badger's 2 nd period
October 5	Purdue University	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!!

Tutoring Available

We are pleased to offer tutoring for all students on Mondays beginning September 11th.

Tutoring for grades 9-12 will be during high school homeroom (11:30-12:00) in Mrs. Craney's room.

Tutoring for grades 6-8 will be during junior high homeroom (12:00-12:30) in Mr. Guinn's room.

Many thanks to our students who have volunteered to be tutors as well as Mrs. Craney and Mr. Guinn for allowing us to use their classrooms!! If you would like your son or daughter to attend tutoring, please contact Mrs. Sward at csward@barr.k12.in.us.

Indianapolis National College Fair October 20th

The 2017 NACAC National College Fair in Indianapolis has been scheduled for Friday October 20 at the Indiana Convention Center. The fair will have one session running from 9 am to 1 pm. Questions? Contact collegefairs@nacacnet.org or call 1-703-299-6851.

News from Oakland City University

If students fill out the free online application at www.oak.edu by November 1st AND OCU receives their official high school transcript, an official SAT or ACT score, and FAFSA before November 1st, students will receive an additional \$500 scholarship renewable for each of the four years they attend OCU.

Also, each student who visits Oakland City University this year will be awarded an additional \$500 scholarship renewable for each of the four years they attend OCU.

- Of Indiana's 30 private colleges, OCU is the most affordable.
- 100% of OCU students receive academic merit scholarships
- OCU is one of only 15 schools in the nation to have an on-campus crime scene house for hands-on criminal justice and forensic science education.

Marian University Education Majors Complete 1 Year Residency

The Educators College at Marian University is transforming how K-12 teachers and school leaders are educated. Education majors now complete a one-year teaching residency to provide real classroom experience with diverse students of all ages, ability levels, and needs. The new five-year program allows students to graduate with both a bachelor's and master's degree.

Sophomores & Juniors to take PSAT on Wednesday, October 25th

All sophomores and juniors will be taking the PSAT (Preliminary SAT) Wednesday, October 25th 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, AP Calculus, or Spanish III/IV. 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. 226 or csward@barr.k12.in.us.

College GO! Week September 25-29th

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!

Congressman Bucshon Hosts Academy Day

Congressman Larry Bucshon is hosting his 2017 Fall U.S. Service Academy Day on Saturday, September 16th in Fort Branch, Indiana. Students and parents can learn more about the United States Service Academies, the application process, congressional nominations, and the everyday life of a Service Academy cadet. For more information, please see Mrs. Sward.

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 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!

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 16th 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. 9th. Space is limited.

Oakland City University is hosting visit days:

October 28	Oaktober Fest
October 28	Overnight Visit
November 10	Preview Day
March 23, 2018	Preview Day

IU hosts Evansville Area Preview on Sunday, September 10th at 2:00pm CST at Sweetwater Event Center 8335 Eagle Lake Drive, Evansville, IN 47715. To register, visit www.admissions.indiana.edu/previews.

Indiana State University will be hosting the following visit dates:

September 7	Honors Program Visit Day
September 9	Sycamore Preview Day
September 15	Criminology Preview Day
September 21	Honors Program Visit Day
October 5	Honors Program Visit Day
October 9	Sycamore Preview Day
October 17	Find Your Blue: SOPHOMORE EDITION
October 24	Honors Program Visit Day
October 27	College of Technology Preview Day
November 4	College of Health & Human Services Preview Day
November 7	Honors Program Visit Day

November 11 Sycamore Preview Day
 November 15 Teachers of Tomorrow Day
 November 28 Honors Program Visit Day
 To find out more or to register, please visit indstate.edu/visiting.

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

September 9 Blue and Gold Day
 October 7 Blue and Gold Day
 October 28 Blue and Gold Day
 February 19 Blue and Gold Day
 April 21 Blue and Gold Day
 March 17 Spring Preview Day
 April 6 Nursing Open House
 Reserve your spot at marian.edu/EventDaySignUp or contact Marian at 317-955-6565 or 1-800-772-7264.

University of Southern Indiana: USI will be hosting Open Houses on October 14, November 11, March 17, and April 7th. Visit www.usi.edu/visit to sign up or call 812-464-1765. Weekday visit options are also available.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Daviess County Lilly Scholarship

Award: Full tuition for four years of study plus annual book stipend
 School: Any baccalaureate Indiana college or university
 Major: Any
 Criteria: Must be a resident of Daviess county, a graduate of an accredited Daviess county high school by June 2018, have a minimum SAT score of 1220 or ACT of 25; and apply in only one county. Students apply online at www.communityfoundationalliance.org/daviess.
 Deadline: September 11, 2017

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. 3rd. Must compose essay and provide 2 letters of recommendation. Refer to full sheet of instructions in Mrs. Sward's Senior Stuff Google Classroom.
 Deadline: September 15, 2017

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: October 2, 2017

2017-2018 TESTING INFORMATION

SAT DATES:

Test Date:	Regular Registration Deadline:	Late Registration Deadline:
October 7	September 8	September 27
November 4	October 5	October 25
December 2	November 2	November 21
March 10	February 9	February 28
May 5	April 6	April 25
June 2	May 3	May 23

ACT DATES:

Test Date:	Regular Registration Deadline:	Late Registration Deadline:
October 28	September 22	October 6
December 9	November 3	November 17
February 10	January 12	January 19
April 14	March 9	March 23
June 9	May 4	May 18
July 14	June 15	June 22

- 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. November 1st is the deadline to have EVERYTHING (INCLUDING TEST SCORES) to IU or Purdue for maximum scholarship consideration.

SAT Prep Course offered through USI:

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

ACA400 Verbal Skills for the SAT: October 21st 9am-3pm USI Education Center, Room 1126

ACA401 Math Skills for the SAT: October 28th 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.