

Guidance Newsletter

October 2017

Important Dates

October 3, 2017	College Fair @ WestGate (juniors)
October 5, 2017	Registration Deadline for Nov. 4th SAT
October 6, 2017	End of 1st grading period
October 7, 2017	SAT
October 9-13th	FALL BREAK - NO SCHOOL
October 19, 2017	Report Cards Issued
October 25, 2017	PSAT (sophomores & juniors) Late Registration Deadline for Nov. 4th SAT
October 26, 2017	Early Release, 11:00am Parent Teacher Conferences 12:00-7:00pm
October 27, 2017	Early Release, 11:00am
October 28, 2017	ACT
November 1, 2017	Deadline for IU Achievement Scholarships & IU Selective Scholarship Consideration Deadline for Purdue Merit Based Scholarships
November 2, 2017	Registration Deadline for Dec. 2nd SAT
November 3, 2017	Registration Deadline for Dec. 9th ACT
November 4, 2017	SAT

Mary Lang named National Merit Semifinalist

Congratulations to Mary Lang on being announced as a National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist. Mary will now have the opportunity to continue in the National Merit Scholarship Competition for \$32 million in scholarship awards. Mary was among the highest scoring PSAT test takers in Indiana. Mary is the only National Merit Semifinalist in Daviess, Knox, Martin, Pike, or Greene counties. This is the second year in a row for Barr-Reeve to have a National Merit Semifinalist! Congratulations Mary!!

Jubilee Christmas

Jubilee Christmas provides extra help with Christmas presents for families with children birth through age 15. Families can sign up through referral only. If you would like to be referred for this program, please let me know by Wednesday, Oct. 4th.

November 1st Quickly Approaching!! (Seniors)

November 1st is the deadline for several admission & scholarship programs including:

- IU : Nov. 1st deadline to be considered for IU Achievement and Selective Scholarships
 Purdue: Nov. 1st deadline for maximum consideration for merit based scholarships. Application deadline for Computer Science, Nursing, Vet Technology & Vet Technician
 Butler: Nov. 1st Early Action Deadline
 UE: Nov. 1st Deadline for Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, or Nursing Direct Entry Programs

FAFSA now available!! (Seniors)

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA became available October 1st and is the form all college-bound seniors will want to file in order to apply for any state or federal financial aid. The deadline is April 15, 2018. However, some colleges may have an earlier

deadline. Students are encouraged to file early in order to have more time to compare costs between schools. In addition to the FAFSA being available earlier than in years past, families will now report prior-prior year income. This year families will report 2016 income information on their FAFSA.

College Rep Visits @ Barr-Reeve (Seniors)

October 5	USI	Mrs. Badger's 2 nd period
October 5	Purdue University	Mrs. Badger's 7 th period
October 18	Manchester University	HS Homeroom Outer Guidance

*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 Goal Sunday (Seniors)

College Goal Sunday will be held Nov. 5th and Feb. 25th. College Goal Sunday is a free event where seniors and parents can receive help filing their FAFSA. The event is staffed by qualified Financial Aid Administrators who volunteer their time to help families. There are 40 locations across Indiana (VU and VU Jasper are the closest sites for us.) Time is 2:00pm local time. Learn more at www.collegegoalsunday.org.

Oakland City University offers scholarship for any student 9-12 who visits this year

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. This opportunity is available to anybody in grades 9-12 who visits OCU this year!!

21st Century Scholars News

Did you know? In addition to IU and Purdue offering housing scholarships for 21st Century Scholars, now Indiana State University does too?!?!?! The 21st Century Excellence Scholarship includes standard on-campus housing for 21st Century Scholars who have two of the following three: 1270 SAT/26ACT or 3.75 GPA or top 10% of their class. Students must apply and be admitted to ISU by December 1st.

What if I don't have this GPA or these test scores? They still offer a \$1500 scholarship/year towards on-campus housing for 21st Century Scholars who have a 3.0 GPA or higher. ISU also provides a free laptop or iPad to all students with a 3.0 GPA or higher. 21st Century Scholars pays tuition at a state supported or public college/university. I am often asked what does 21st Century Scholars pay at a private institution? The answer is about \$8,180/year. Again, it can only be used toward tuition.

Project Aspiree Campus Visits (Juniors & Seniors)

Project Aspiree will be taking several campus visits in the coming weeks. To attend, you must be a junior or senior in the Project Aspiree program. Students must turn in a permission slip. (See Mrs. Sward if you need one.) Transportation is provided and food is included. For the overnight visit to Purdue & IUPUI hotel is included & tickets to a Friday night entertainment event. *There is no cost to the student.*

Trip dates & destinations include:

October 20, 2017	Vincennes University	Perm. Slips due Oct. 5th
October 25, 2017	USI and University of Evansville	Perm. Slips due Oct. 12th
November 3-4, 2017	Overnight visit to Purdue and IUPUI	Perm. Slips due Oct. 19th

Indiana Workforce Ready Grant (Parents)

Indiana is paying for adult students to earn a credential in certain fields!! The Indiana Workforce Ready Grant pays the cost to earn a high-value certificate at Ivy Tech or VU. In order to qualify, individuals must be a U.S. Citizen, Indiana resident, have graduated high school or received a high school equivalency diploma, complete the FAFSA, have not previously received a Bachelor's or Associate's degree, qualify as an independent student, enroll at least half time, and maintain satisfactory academic progress. This is a great opportunity for Hoosiers. To learn more visit www.nextleveljobs.org/workforce-ready-grant.html.

Sullivan University Summer Camps

Sullivan University will be hosting several career camps this summer. Camps include: Culinary camp; Baking & Pastry Arts camp; Med camp; The Studio (Graphic Design, Web Development, Interior Design, Vex Robotics, and Computer Forensics). All camp dates are June 10-15, 2018. Registration is now open. Earlybird discounts if you register by February 28th. Learn more at www.pages.sullivan.edu/camp/

Purdue University Tuition Frozen for Six Years

Purdue's tuition has been frozen for six years straight and average on-campus housing costs have decreased. The result is that it will cost less to attend Purdue in 2018-19 than it did in 2012-13!! For Indiana residents with family income between \$40,000-\$100,000 Purdue offers the Marquis Scholarship which provides at least \$4,000 toward Purdue's costs. The Division of Financial Aid prioritizes additional free aid so that qualified Marquis recipients receive up to \$6,000 **ADDITIONAL** funding to cover tuition & fees (up to \$10,000 total.)

University of Evansville offers Medical Spanish Minor

The University of Evansville now offers a Medical Spanish Minor or a Spanish major with a specialization in medical Spanish. Both the medical Spanish minor and the major specialization cover medical sciences terminology and concepts, cultural content of Hispanics in the U.S. and of Spanish speaking countries, as well as an introduction to interpreting.

Tutoring Available (6-12)

Just a reminder we offer free tutoring on Mondays during homeroom.

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.

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.

Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program (10th-12th)

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.

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.*

University of Indianapolis is hosting several upcoming visit days. Students can register online at www.admissions.uindy.edu/visit

October 9, 2017	School of Nursing Day
October 11, 2017	Fall Preview Day (Communications, Criminal Justice, History, Pre-Law, Political Science, Psychology, & Social Work)
October 12, 2017	Fine Arts Day; English & Creative Writing Day
October 18, 2017	Health Professions Day
October 19, 2017	R.B. Annis School of Engineering Day; Sports Careers Day
November 4, 2017	Discover UIndy Day (OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS)

University of Evansville will be hosting an Open House on October 21, January 15th, and April 21st. Purple Visit Days on November 3, February 19, and March 16th. To register contact the Office of Admissions at 1833-232-6223 or online at www.evansville.edu/visit.

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

Indiana State University will be hosting the following visit dates:

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:

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

Vincennes University Val-Sal Scholarship

Award: Tuition, VU standard room & board OR Tuition & stipend (commuter/other campuses) for four semesters, with a minimum 3.5 GPA and full-time status maintained at all times.

School: Vincennes University

Major: Any

Criteria: High school seniors who rank #1 or #2 in their class are eligible. Students must receive the Academic or Technical Honors Diploma to be considered. A scholarship can be renewed for an additional four semesters upon acceptance into a VU baccalaureate degree program. Must file a FAFSA; Must complete VU Admission & Scholarship application by deadline. VU Scholarship Applications are available at www.vinu.edu/scholarships or in the guidance office.

Deadline: Jan. 19, 2018

Vincennes University Presidential Scholarship

Award: \$2,500 per year for four semesters with minimum 3.5 GPA and full-time status maintained at all times.

School: Vincennes University

Major: Any

Criteria: High Schools seniors who rank in the upper 10% of their class. Combined SAT of 1190 or composite ACT of 25. This is a competitive scholarship. A limited number of scholarships will be given to the most qualified students. Students must receive the Academic Honors OR Technical Honors Diploma to be considered. A scholarship can be renewed for an additional four semesters upon acceptance into a VU baccalaureate degree program. Must file a FAFSA; Must complete VU Admission & Scholarship application by deadline. VU Scholarship Applications are available at www.vinu.edu/scholarships or in the guidance office.

Deadline: Jan. 19, 2018

Vincennes University Blue and Gold Scholarship

Award: \$1,750 per year for four semesters with minimum 3.0 GPA and full-time status maintained at all times.

School: Vincennes University

Major: Any

Criteria: High School seniors who rank in the upper 50% of their class. Combined SAT of 1110 or composite ACT of 21. This is a competitive scholarship. A limited number of scholarships will be given to the most qualified students. Students must receive the Academic Honors or Technical Honors Diploma to be considered. A scholarship can be renewed for an additional four semesters upon acceptance into a VU baccalaureate degree program. Must file a FAFSA; Must complete VU Admission & Scholarship application by deadline. VU Scholarship Applications are available at www.vinu.edu/scholarships or in the guidance office.

Deadline: Jan. 19, 2018

Vincennes University Academic Honors/Technical Honors Diploma Scholarship

Award: \$1,250 per year for four semesters with minimum 3.0 GPA and full-time status maintained at all times.

School: Vincennes University

Major: Any

Criteria: All recipients of the Indiana Academic Honors or Technical Honors Diploma are automatically eligible to receive this award. A scholarship can be renewed for an additional four semesters upon acceptance into a VU baccalaureate degree program. Must file a FAFSA; Must complete VU Admission & Scholarship application by deadline. VU Scholarship Applications are available at www.vinu.edu/scholarships or in the guidance office.

Deadline: Jan. 19, 2018

IU Academic 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.

Indiana State offers a number of excellent scholarship opportunities:

President's Scholarship: Full tuition and on-campus housing X 4 years

Center for Leadership Development Scholarship: Full tuition X 4 years

Academic Excellence Award: \$4,000/year X 4 years

Eligibility criteria may vary among scholarships. To receive first consideration for scholarships, students must be admitted to Indiana State University by December 1st. ISU offers other scholarships as well. Check out www.indstate.edu/scholarships to learn more.

Purdue University Trustees Scholarship

Award: \$10,000/year

School: Purdue

Major: Any

Criteria: Must have complete application on file by Nov. 1st; Awarded to students who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement and experience in leadership, service, and/or school or community activity.

Deadline: Nov. 1, 2017

Purdue University Presidential Scholarship

Award: \$2,000-\$8,000/year

School: Purdue

Major: Any

Criteria: Must have complete application on file by Nov. 1st; Awarded to students who demonstrate high academic achievement and experience in leadership, service, and/or school or community activity.

Deadline: Nov. 1, 2017

Purdue University Marquis Scholarship

Award: \$4,000/year

School: Purdue

Major: Any

Criteria: Must have complete application on file by Nov. 1st; Family income (student and parent) between \$40,000-\$100,000. Students must demonstrate academic achievement and experience in leadership, service, and/or school or community activity. Must file FAFSA by March 1st

Deadline: Nov. 1, 2017 (priority)

Purdue Promise (Indiana 21st Century Scholars)

Award: Financial aid package that includes gift aid and work study to meet the student's full financial need

School: Purdue

Major: Any

Criteria: Income-eligible 21st Century Scholars; Must file FAFSA by March 1st.

Deadline: November 1st (priority)

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

Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship

Award: Provides up to \$7,500 annually to high achieving students

School: Any

Major: Education

Criteria: Student must agree to teach in Indiana for at least 5 years; 200 scholarships available each year; Students must graduate from an Indiana high school and either graduate in the highest 20% of the class OR receive a score in the top 20th percentile on the SAT or ACT. Application opened September 1st. Visit www.in.gov/che/4680.htm to learn more. If a student is receiving a full tuition scholarship, this scholarship can be used toward housing.

Deadline: November 30, 2017

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 27, 2017

Imagine America Scholarship

Award: \$1,000

School: Lincoln College of Technology

Major: Auto Tech, CNC Machining & Manufacturing, Collision Repair, Diesel Tech, Electronics

Criteria: Must be attending Lincoln Tech for one of Lincoln Tech's programs; must have 2.5 GPA or higher. Must apply for Imagine America scholarship at www.imagine-america.org

Deadline: Unknown

\$1,000 Recycling Scholarship for Students

Award: \$1,000

School: Any

Major: Any

Criteria: The Indiana Student Recycling Leadership Corps proudly partners with PepsiCo Recycling to offer this interactive scholarship program. Eligibility requirements include: Indiana resident, high school junior or senior, 2.5 GPA or higher. Visit

<http://indianarecycling.org/project/student-recycling-leadership-corps/> to learn more.

Deadline: October 31, 2017

2017-2018 TESTING INFORMATION

SAT DATES:

Test Date:	Regular Registration Deadline:	Late Registration Deadline:
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:

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.