

SENIOR GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER -SEPTEMBER 21, 2005

So you can plan ahead, this chart lists the day and time that colleges will be coming to Marlinton.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
<u>SEPTEMBER</u> 29	NEOUCOM	11:54 A.M.
<u>OCTOBER</u>		
3	YSU	1:00 P.M.
4	B-W	10:28 A.M.
5	MUC	10:28 A.M.
10	OHIO DOMINICAN	10:25 A.M.
14	HOCKING	8:00 A.M.
18	MALONE	10:50 A.M.
19	CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY	10:28 A.M.
20	MARIETTA	1:00 P.M.
21	AKRON	10:24 A.M.
25	STARK STATE	9:40 A.M.
26	HIRAM COLLEGE	2:20 P.M.
<u>NOVEMBER</u>		
2	OHIO NORTHERN	7:45 A.M.

The following schools are possibly visiting. Please check the official list posted outside guidance office:

Ashland, Akron-Nursing, OSU-ATI, OU, Bohecker's, Walsh

**ALL COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES WILL MEET IN THE DISTANCE LEARNING LAB.
PARENTS ARE WELCOME.**

Seniors: You may only miss **two** classes (total) and any number of study halls.

Juniors: You may only miss **one** class (total) and any number of study halls.

If you have a study hall at the time of a presentation, you are definitely encouraged to attend. The more you hear about colleges, the more knowledgeable you become. Most presentations are taped. You may request the tape from Ms. Cline.

ON THE WEB:

www.act.org - ACT info

www.collegeboard.com - SAT info

www.ncaaclearinghouse.net - NCAA athletic eligibility info

FINANCIAL/SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:

www.educaid.co

www.wiredscholar.com

www.salliemae.com

www.fastweb.com

www.gocollege.co

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COLLEGE CATALOGUES

On the northwest shelves in the library are catalogues on colleges about (200). These are arranged by alphabet and are there for the student's use. Check them out!!!!

SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are interested in obtaining information/application, please circle your choice(s). Put your name and the name of your homeroom teacher at the top. Turn paper in to Mrs. Graham. Materials will be returned through your homeroom. It is then your responsibility to follow through, process, and mail the application by its deadline.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>CRITERIA</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
Ohio Mensa (S)	up to \$2,000	Essay	Jan. 6
NSDAR (N)	\$2,000	majoring in Am. History or Govt.	Feb 1
Caroline Holt (N)	\$ 500	accepted into a Nursing Program	Feb. 15
Mildred Nutting (N)	\$ 500	accepted into a Nursing Program	Feb. 15
Occupational Therapy Scholarship (N)	\$ 500	accepted into Occupational Therapy	Feb. 15
Dunn Scholarship (N)	\$2,000	mother is member of NSDAR	Feb. 15

Nursing Scholarship (N)	\$ 500	accepted into a Nursing Program and a descendant of a member of NSDAR	Feb. 15

7-17 (C)	\$1,000	Attend one of our local State colleges member or child of a member 7-17 Credit Union, 3.0 GPA	April 1

MacGregor (N)	\$5,000	accredited Med. School (not Pre—Med)	April 15

Rooke (N)	\$5,000	accredited Med. School (not Pre—Med)	April 15

	N= National		
	S= State		
	C= County		
	L= Local		

COLLEGE FAIRS

STARK COUNTY:

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY – STARK BRANCH
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2005
6-8 P.M.

CLEVELAND:

CLEVELAND CONVENTION CENTER
500 LAKESIDE AVE.
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2005
8:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

COLLEGE FAIR FOR STUDENTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

GAHANNA LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL
140 S. HAMILTON ROAD
GAHANNA, OHIO (COLUMBUS AREA)
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2005
6:30 – 8:00 P.M.

YOUR CEEB/ACT SCHOOL CODE IS:

363 – 080

<u>SENIOR YEAR</u>	<u>When To Start/What To Do</u>	<u>Who/What Can Help</u>
September-December	Apply to admission to the colleges of your choice. Be sure to meet admission and scholarship deadlines.	Request guidance to forward all test scores.
	Retake ACT and or SAT, if necessary. Investigate financial aid options. Note Deadlines!!!	Guidance counselor. Read admission information
	Continue visiting colleges.	
January	Complete all financial aid forms for college, state and federal aid. Meet all deadlines	Attend financial aid presentations. Know what forms are required by the colleges of interest to you-obtain forms from guidance counselors.
March	Compare aid packages from colleges	Talk with parents. Call colleges with questions on your aid award.
April	Make final decisions	
May	Send enrollment deposit to the college of your choices. Notify those schools you <u>will not</u> be attending.	Congratulations! Sit and enjoy the summer.

APPLICATIONS - What to do and how to do it!

When filling out applications, whether for a college or a scholarship, please be NEAT. We have seen committees who automatically disregard a messy application or essay. Many of you may need to TYPE OR PRINT your forms.

If you need letters of recommendations, please ask your references politely and give them at least a two week deadline. It helps to have your list of activities for their reference. We would recommend that if they do not have their own computer to make address changes, then they should address the letter "To Whom It May Concern". You can use the letter for several applications. Thank you notes are in order after you have picked up your letter.

When you need a transcript, follow these steps:

- 1) Pick up a "Transcript Request Form" from the guidance office.
- 2) Complete the form.
- 3) Attach any "counselor form" from the application.
- 4) Put both forms in your counselor's mailbox.

Your transcript will be returned to you in a **sealed envelope along with any counselor form** from the application. **DO NOT OPEN!!!!**

Please check over your application information to be sure that it's complete before sending. You should write your social security number on your check. **You are responsible to mail all parts of the application.**

COLLEGE PLANNING

Listed below are questions to help you establish your priorities and to help make your college selection.

A. QUESTIONS ABOUT ADMISSION POLICIES

1. What high school courses are required?
2. Are entrance tests required? Which ones? What range of score is accepted?
3. Does the college require a certain grade point average? Rank in class?
4. Will my activities and involvement in high school be considered?
5. Is there an essay on the application and is it read?
6. What decision making process is used?
7. Are personal interviews or letters of recommendation required?
8. Are there special requirements for impacted majors?
9. What percent of applicants are admitted?
10. Can admission denials be appealed?
11. What are the application filing dates?

B. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COLLEGE

1. Where is the college located (urban, rural)?
2. What is the surrounding community like?
3. Is the college public, private, parochial?
4. What is the current enrollment?
5. What special programs are offered?
6. Does the college have general education requirements? What are they?
7. Does the college have special programs for transfer students?
8. What is the academic calendar?

C. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE STUDENT POPULATION

1. Where do the majority of students come from?
2. What types of activities are available?
3. Do most of the students commute or live on campus?
4. Are there sororities and fraternities on campus?
5. What athletic programs are available? Are they a major part of the social life?
6. Is the surrounding community supportive of the college?
7. Does the college have a campus visitation program?
8. Is housing available/guaranteed for Freshman?

D. QUESTIONS ABOUT ACADEMICS

1. What is the average class size? Smallest? Largest?
2. How many students complete a degree?
3. What about career opportunities and job placement after college?
4. How does registration work? Are classes guaranteed?
5. Do students graduate in four or five years?
6. What are the most popular majors?
7. Are students taught by full time faculty members, teaching assistants or a combination of the two?
8. What percent of graduates are accepted to graduate schools?
9. Are counseling services available?

E. QUESTIONS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID

1. What percent of students receive financial aid?
2. What are the financial aid filing dates?
3. Are on campus jobs available?
4. What types of grants, scholarships, and loans are available?
5. How is financial aid awarded?
6. What is the typical financial aid package for a Freshman?
7. What are the notification dates for financial aid recipients?
8. Are there special scholarships for athletics, the arts, leadership, academic achievement?

