



January: Welcoming 2018

News You Can Use From The Counseling Department

COLLEGE AND CAREER

SCHOLARSHIP INFO

Scholarships are added daily to the scholarship bulletin. All applications are available on our website which can be accessed here:

<https://tinyurl.com/y83zy6a9>

We strongly encourage our students to take advantage of these great opportunities to obtain FREE money! Any student that needs assistance writing a resume or essay for an application should see their counselor ASAP. Don't forget, KCC scholarship applications are due March 1st!

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Students must first complete the letter of recommendation request sheet (available in guidance). Provide a copy of this completed request sheet to the administrator, counselor or teacher writing the letter. Please allow 10 days to complete any letter of recommendation.

ADMISSIONS & FINANCIAL AID

If you have not yet completed the FAFSA, please do so ASAP. Most colleges REQUIRE this step. Feel free to reach out to the financial aid or admissions departments with any questions. College website should have phone numbers and email addresses listed. Feel free to reach out to us as well for any assistance.

JUNIOR PLANNING

Start going to campus visits whenever possible & meet with college reps during study hall!

Please sign up for the counseling REMIND page to receive important updates and reminders about college, scholarships & events!

Seniors— Text 81010 with the message @Manteno18

Juniors—Text 81010 with the message @Manteno19

Sophomores —Text 81010 with the message @Manteno20

Freshmen—Text 81010 with the message @Manteno21

SAT PREP

Juniors will take the SAT on April 10th

Sophomores and Freshmen students will take the PSAT

Seniors will have this day off of school

Juniors, sophomores & freshmen are encouraged to study for this exam using the resources below.

SAT Prep: Go to www.khanacademy.org

ACT or SAT tutoring classes: www.jeaniusprep.com

Free practice tests also available in the guidance office!

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/sat-practice-test-1.pdf>

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- * February 9th—Early Dismissal (11:15)
- * February 19th—No school (President's Day)
- * March 9th—End of 3rd Quarter
- * March 26-30th—No school (Spring Break)

COURSE SELECTION

- * All **junior** students completed course selection with their counselors in December. A copy of their selections will be sent home February 19th. Please sign and return these sheets by February 23rd.
 - * All **sophomore** students completed their course selection sheets in January. These were due back to guidance January 19th.
 - * All **freshmen** students will meet with their counselors the week of February 5th. These sheets will be due back to guidance February 9th.
Remember, college requirements and graduation requirements are not always the same!
Check college websites to be sure you are covered
- All students will be required to obtain a parent signature to approve their selected courses.

Please email us with any questions:

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ACT or SAT?

The SAT and ACT generally test the same types of content. Both ACT and SAT scores are used for college admissions and merit-based scholarships. The biggest differences between the tests are that the ACT has a Science Test, and there's one SAT Math Section for which you cannot use a calculator. Most colleges don't prefer one test over the other.

At MHS, we encourage our students to try both tests!

The SAT/PSAT will be provided to all students annually in the spring for free during the regular school day.

If students would like to take it again, they may register for a Saturday test online for a fee.

ACT & SAT Registration

www.ACT.org

www.SAT.org

Available ACT test dates:

February 10—closed

April 14—register by 3/9

June 9—register by 5/4

July 14—register by 6/15

Available SAT test dates:

March 10—register by 2/9

May 5—register by 4/6

June 2—register by 5/3

See your counselor for registration assistance