# **CCMR** NEWSLETTER



# IMPORTANT DATES

**11/2 – ACT/SAT** REGISTRATION DEADLINE

## 11/3 – SAT TEST

11/7 – ASVAB TEST

# **ADVISING MEETINGS**

### SET UP A MEETING TO DISCUSS YOUR FUTURE

Building a good relationship with your CCCMR Advisor is simple – come talk to me! While you might not be thinking about your life after High School until your junior year, it's a good idea to schedule an appointment to make sure you're on track to graduate and are taking competitive classes that colleges like to see on your transcript. I can help you choose schools, narrow your selections, fill out applications, and apply for scholarships. I am your resource and I want you to do well – book an appointment with me today so we can discuss your future!



#### **KEEP A LOG**

Keep a log/journal of all of your activities. You will likely be asked for this information when applying for scholarships and it makes is much easier if you have everything written down in one place for your reference.

#### FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

I can't tell you how many scholarship applications I've seen tossed just because the student didn't follow directions. If it says "complete in black ink," you'd better not use blue ink!

#### LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

If a scholarship requires letters of recommendation, request those letters two weeks or more in advance. Go to the teacher or adult that you are asking to write a letter for you and give them a written request along with a copy of your resume so that they have specific things to include in the letter. Don't forget to follow up with a thank you note!

#### DEADLINES

Deadline means deadline – pay attention to deadlines and make sure your application is turned in on time!

#### APPLY, APPLY, APPLY!

Think you have to be the star quarterback or have straight A's to get a scholarship? Think again. The reality is that there are huge numbers of scholarships, grants and other prizes available to students with less-than-stellar grades or athletic abilities, but with other great qualities. By following these tips, you can increase your chances of tapping into the billions of dollars available every year to students just like you!

**SCHOLARSHIPS** 

#### FIND OUT WHAT'S AVAILABLE

Make your search thorough and ambitious. The internet, your school, and local businesses and service organizations. Some of these awards can be for large sums of money with very little competition simply because people don't know they are available. I will send you an email with every scholarship that comes across my desk.

### QUOTES TO LIVE BY

- We all have dreams. But in order to make dreams come into reality, it takes an awful lot of determination, dedication, self-discipline, and effort.
- The goal is to find the scholarship with the least competition and the hardest work. That is where you are going to have the highest probability of winning.
- Right now, someone is out there trying to take your spot. They're hungry for it – are you?