

TWO MINUTES # 4
December 13, 2019

12 SENIOR CHECK LIST FOR THE FALL IS ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE. Are you ready for 2nd semester?

- 9-12 **STUDENTS WANTING SCHEDULE CHANGES** need to see Mr. Baisden by Friday, **December 20**. Classes are very full and making a change could be difficult. Look over the master schedule, which can be found on the HS website under counselor's corner and then high school planning. If your change is plausible, and/or possible, stop in with a plan to see if a change can be done.
- 9-12 **SCHOLARSHIPS** are being updated weekly. Check out our school website each week to see what scholarship applications deadlines are coming up. Scholarships are listed in 3 categories; River Bend-Area/Regional-National. Go to the following website: <https://www.riverbendschools.org/> Then Fulton High School – FHS Counselor's Corner – Scholarships – Scholarship Applications.
- 11-12 **SVCC Dual Credit students** are able to apply of scholarships to help pay for their credits. Students should check the svcc.edu web site on the **first of each month** to apply for scholarship help. They are also encouraged to apply for scholarships for 2nd semester classes. Those applications are available now. When asked for a filed FAFSA, attach a word document that states that you are a Dual Credit Student and have not filed yet.
- 11-12 **EXPLORE SAUK** is an opportunity to visit the campus and talk to current students. Learn more about their many programs of study, financial aid, campus tour, clubs & organizations, student support services and so much more. Want to talk to one of the instructors about a particular academic department? Just ask! Sign up now and learn about all of the possibilities they have to offer. The next session is **January 22**, 9:30-11:30. RSVP to <https://www.svcc.edu/students/future/visit-campus/explore-sauk.html> or call 815-835-6266. Another visit day will be February 17.
- 10 **SOPHOMORES WILL BE TOURING WHITESIDE AREA CAREER CENTER** later in **January**. Mr. Baisden will be in your classroom in early January to give you more information about this field trip.
- 9-11 **PRE-REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR** will be conducted in February. Students need to start planning for next year's courses. Remember, required classes that are not passed this semester will have to be taken again next year. Talk to your teachers about class options and pre-requisites.
- 9-12 **SCHOLARSHIP UP-DATE** The following scholarships are found online or on the school's web-site and are due within the next few weeks. Go to www.scholarships.com to help you with scholarship searches. Go to High School-Counselor's Corner-Scholarships.

<u>NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP</u>	<u>POST MARK</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
Burger King	12-15	12
AXA Achievement	12-15	12
Greenhouse Scholars of Illinois	12-22	12
Great River Bend Car Show	1-2	12
4 Year College Bound and Trade School		
CBAI Foundation	1-6	12
ACT Scholarship Give Away	1-10	10-12
SAT Proactive Scholarship	1-13	11
Timberline Billing Service (IEP students)	1-15	12
Grow AG Leaders	1-15	12
Verna Ross Orndorff Essay Contest	1-15	9-12
IL Society of Professional Engineers	1-17	12
Profile in Courage Essay Contest	1-17	9-12
QC Engineering & Science Council	1-27	12

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- 11-12 **ACT REGISTRATION** for the **February 8** test date must be completed by **January 10**. School code is 141980. Register on-line at www.act.org .
- 11-12 **SAT REGISTRATION** for the **March 14** test date must be completed by **February 14**. School code is 141980. Register on-line at www.sat.org/register .
- 9 **IMSA - FRESHMAN WHO HAVE EXCEPTIONAL TALENT IN MATH AND SCIENCE** are encouraged to consider the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy. The IMSA provides a three-year residential experience designed to promote mathematics and science learning within a context of a comprehensive problem-centered and integrative program. Parents and students are encouraged to visit the IMSA web site at www.imsa.edu for applications and more information. Application and all required forms are due February 1.
- 11-12 **ARE YOU A MALE AND 18 YEARS OLD?** If you are you must register with selective service. You can register up to 30 days before your birthday. You are required by law to register. By doing so you will be eligible for student loans and grants, job training and government jobs as well as avoiding a 5-year prison sentence and up to \$250,000 fine. Register at the post-office, drivers licensing facility, or on line at www.sss.gov.
- 11 **OUR UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMYS OFFER SUMMER SEMINARS.** The one week summer seminars were established to help students better understand the academic opportunities at a service academy that thrives on small classes and frequent testing. By applying to the summer seminars you are also opening an admissions file at the Academies. Students must complete applications on line. Summer seminars are very competitive. To qualify you must be in the top 10% of your class, in a college prep curriculum, have strong test scores, demonstrated leadership, active in school activities and athletically fit. Admission is on a rolling basis acceptance so return your application as soon as possible.
- Air Force Academy** <https://www.academyadmissions.com/admissions/outreach-programs/summer-seminar/>
Application dead line - December 1 - January 15
- Coast Guard Academy** <https://www.uscga.edu/aim/>
Application dead line – February – April 1
- Military Academy (Army)** <http://www.westpoint.edu/admissions/SitePages/Summer.aspx>
Application opens January 15 – March 15
- Naval Academy (Navy & Marines)** <https://www.usna.edu/Admissions/Programs/index.php>
Application opens January 3
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- 12 **SENIOR FALL CHECK LIST** – If these are completed you are ready for 2nd semester.
1. Set up a Parchment Transcript Exchange Account – See Jennifer Griser
 2. Apply to colleges of your choice.
 3. Complete your FAFSA – <https://fafsa.ed.gov>
 4. Log in to your SAT account so you will be able to send “Official” test scores to the college you choose to attend – www.collegeboard.org or 866-315-6068
 5. Complete an Extra-Curricular Activities List and send me a copy – found on the FHS website under Counselor’s Corner – Forms.
 6. Working on Scholarships; River Bend, Area & State, Selected National scholarships on FHS website National – www.scholaships.com
College Specific – Look on colleges web page for applications
Local & Regional (some national) – Located on the FHS website under Counselor’s Corner – Scholarships.
 7. Get your inoculation/shot records up to date and located on one document (or at least all together) and ready to turn in to the college of your choice.