

TWO MINUTES # 6
1 February 2023

- 9-11 **REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR** is starting up **soon**. Students need to start planning for next year's courses. Remember, required classes that are not passed 1st and/or 2nd semester will have to be taken again next year. Talk to your teachers about class options and **pre-requisites**.
1. **Dual Enrollment Sessions** – with Sophomores and Juniors. (WACC Application) Feb 13-17
 2. **General Class Options sessions** – with Freshmen – Feb. 22 & 23
 3. **WACC Application** – Due February 28
 4. **CEO Applications** – Due March 18
 5. **Teacher Recommendations** – for all students 8th grade – 11th grade – Feb. 27-March 1.
 6. **2023-2023 Registration** – by class 8th grade – 11th grade – March 10-16.
 7. **Late March-Early April** – Student requests tabulated and Master Schedule parameters set for scheduling.
- For more information, check out the **2023-2024 Course Handbook** located in the Fulton High School Section of the district website in FHS Counselor's Corner – High School Planning.
- 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. Next session is **February 21**, 9:30-11:00. RSVP to <https://www.svcc.edu/visit> or call 815-835-6266.
- 10-11 **WACC APPLICATIONS – DUE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28** students who want to be considered for enrollment at Whiteside Area Career Center **MUST** have their application completed along with a one or two paragraph statement stating their reasons for wishing to take courses at WACC, no later than **February 28**.
- 10-11 **2023-24 CEO APPLICATION – DUE March 18**. The Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities (CEO) Class Advisory Board welcomes your application to participate in the 2023-2024 CEO Class. This course is supported by the business community in the Sauk Valley region in partnership with the member schools of the Whiteside Area Career Center (WACC). The class meets at a variety of businesses in the region and is facilitated by LeAndra Hartman in collaboration with our business partners. As a member of the CEO Class, you will be challenged in new and exciting ways, and you will learn from some of the best and brightest business minds in the area. In addition, you will have the opportunity to develop a lasting and important network of contacts. The class meets for 1.5 hours each school day (7:50-9:20) and you can plan on spending time outside of the school day following through with the work and projects of the class. The application and more info can be found on the CEO website. **The application must be completed in full and submitted by March 18 if you are interested in applying.** Here is a link to the website: <https://www.wacc-ceo.com/>. **Start your application TODAY.**
- 9-11 **STUDENTS INTERESTED IN BECOMING TEACHERS** are encouraged to check out the Educational Pathway Endorsement you can earn at FHS. See Mr. Baisden or Ms. Frohling for more information.
1. Students can earn college tuition incentives and scholarships if they possess this endorsement.
 2. Includes earning at least 6 college credits.
 3. Students gain experience while in high school to see what it would be like to become a teacher.
 4. Includes educational seminars and group projects.
- 12 **28 SENIORS NEED TO COMPLETE FAFSA's OR WAIVER.** FAFSA – THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID is a **required step for students to earn a diploma** from an Illinois High School. For more information, go to the Financial Aid/FAFSA tab under FHS Counselor's Corner on the district website. **Students and parents need to start** by going to <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/afsa>
- 12 **SENIORS GET COLLEGE APPLICATIONS COMPLETED NOW!!** Request electronic transcripts if needed through **Parchment**. Use **"Parchment"** and/or **"Common Application"** if possible for college applications. Spend some time now researching financial aid, grants, loans and scholarships. Talk to your colleges of choice about financial aid.
- 11-12 **CHECK COLLEGE WEB-SITES FOR VISIT DAYS AND OPEN HOUSE OPPORTUNITIES.**
- 9-12 **Struggling with School, Friends, Family or Life in general?** Set up an appointment to visit with Mr. Baisden or Mrs. Facio in Student Services. - We are here to help.

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11-12 **SVCC Dual Credit students** are able to apply for 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 become available in October.

9-12 **SCHOLARSHIP UP-DATE** The following scholarships are found on the school's web-site and are due within the next few weeks. Go to Fulton High School-FHS Counselor's Corner-Scholarships. You can also go to www.scholarships.com to help you with scholarship searches.

<u>NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP</u>	<u>POST MARK</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
Kiwanis Grant	2-7	11-12
Golden Apple Scholarship	12-1 to 4-1	12
Warren A. Morrow	2-3	12
1 st Gateway Credit Union	2-10	12
Bi-County Special Education Scholarship	2-15	12
Bi-County Foundation Gen. Education Sch.	2-15	12
QC Community Foundation	2-15	12
VFW Continuing Education	2-15	12
IL School Counselor Association Student	2-17	12
Sharar Foundation Red & Gold Scholarship	2-26	12
World Class Scholarship	2-28	12
Flavorful Futures	2-28	12
Sharar Foundation Scholarship Clinton CC	3-1	12
Jo-Carroll Electric Lineworker	3-1	12
Jo-Carroll Electric Scholarship	3-1	12
Illinois Special Ed. Teacher Tuition Waiver	3-1	12
Minority Teachers of Illinois	3-1	12
EICC Connections Scholarship	3-1	12
Illinois Odd Fellow-Rebekah	3-1	12
Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation	3-1	12
Jo-Carroll Electric Two-Year Technical	3-1	12
Township Officials of Illinois	3-1	12
Sauk Valley Agriculture	3-1	12
Whiteside Farm Bureau	3-1	12
Human Service Career College Scholarship	3-1	12
Early Childhood Access Consortium	3-1	12
Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs	3-1	12
Illinois Elks Children's Care	3-3	12
Ecolab HS Senior	3-3	12
Illinois Chemical Education Association	3-5	12
Rock River Chapter DAR	3-13	12

Many more due in March

Local River Bend scholarships coming soon. Check out past applications to get started.

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.

9-12 **2023 RURAL HEALTH CAREERS CAMP** is a three-day (June 26-28), overnight educational program for high school students interested in the healthcare field. Students will participate in hands-on learning activities and labs that represent different healthcare careers and stay at an overnight facility to experience living on a college campus. Some of the healthcare careers already scheduled are: medicine, nursing, social work, dentistry, physical therapy, occupational therapy, medical lab sciences, and many more! For more information and for the application to apply, please visit this webpage: <https://ncrhp.uic.edu/programs/experiences/rural-health-careers-camp/>.