

Senior Guide

A Word from the Counselors

FAFSA IS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION!!!

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA APPLICATION OR THE OPT-OUT FORM AND RETURN IT TO YOUR COUNSELOR ASAP. For help with your FAFSA application you may attend any of the District FAFSA Nights.

FAFSA NIGHTS IN KISD Pathways-Thursday, February 10, 2022 HHHS-Thursday, February 17, 2022 The ASVAB testing date is Wednesday, March 09, 2022. The signup sheet is available in the Counselors' Office.

TSI TESTING IS HAPPENING NOW!! If you need this test for college admissions, you MUST sign up in the counselors' office. We will be testing every Wednesday and Thursday through April 06, 2021.

Please inform the Guidance Counselor Secretary of any grant, scholarship, or financial aid awards you receive. Scholarships will be listed in the program at Graduation.

College, Career, Military Readiness Night KISD Career Center Saturday, February 12, 2022, 3:00pm – 5pm



FINANCIAL AID TIME!

Beginning with students enrolled in 12th grade during the 2021-2022 school year, each student <u>must do one of the following to graduate</u>:

- Complete and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or
 Complete and submit a Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA), or
- Submit a signed opt-out form to your school counselor

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is the online form used when applying for financial aid. This is the first step in the financial aid process.

WHAT ARE THE STEPS IN APPLYING FOR AID USING THE ONLINE FAFSA?

<u>GET YOUR FSA ID</u> An FSA ID is a username and password that you must use to log in to certain U.S. Department of Education (ED) websites. Your FSA ID identifies you as someone who has the right to access your own personal information on ED websites such as the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (*FAFSA*[®]) at <u>fafsa.gov</u>. You can create an FSA ID when logging into certain ED websites, including this one. <u>Create an FSA ID now</u>

GATHER THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO APPLY

- Your Social Security number and your parents' Social Security numbers if you are providing parent information
- Your driver's license number if you have one
- Your Alien Registration Number if you are not a U.S. citizen
- Federal tax information or tax returns, including W-2 information for yourself, for your spouse if you are married, and for your parents if you are providing parent information, using income records for the year prior to the academic year for which you are applying
- Records of untaxed income, such as Social Security benefits, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), and veterans benefits, for yourself (and for your parents if you are providing parent information); and information on savings, investments, and business and farm assets for yourself (and for your parents if you are providing parent information).

BE AWARE OF DEADLINES

You may have to meet application deadlines, depending on your college and where you live. State and school deadlines are usually earlier than federal deadlines.

USE THE FAFSA ON THE WEB WORKSHEET

You can print one from <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>. This Worksheet is optional, but it will help you collect the information you need to fill out your FAFSA online.

COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

Enter all necessary information. If you need help, there are help links on each page of the online application.

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

After you submit your application, make sure you receive a confirmation number. This number tells you your application has been successfully submitted. Keep this confirmation number for your records.

FOLLOW UP ON YOUR FAFSA

Your application will be processed and you will receive an e-mail with a link to your Student Aid Report (SAR). If you did not provide an e-mail address, you will receive your SAR by mail. You should review your SAR for any necessary corrections or updates. If you do not hear from them within three weeks, go to <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u> and select: "Check the Status of a Submitted FAFSA."

Need more help with financial aid?

Go to <u>http://www.financialaidscholarshipworkshop.com</u>. This online course can help with scholarship applications, understanding the financial aid process, how to complete FAFSA, and much more.

Reminder to <u>Senior Males</u>: You must register for the Selective Service 30 days before or after your 18th birthday. Students who need to register for the Selective Service may use the FAFSA to do so. Also, male students can register with the Selective Service online at <u>www.sss.gov</u>.

GENERAL INFORMATION



2022 Killeen ISD Education Foundation Scholarship

The Education Foundation and Killeen ISD Alumni Association, a program of the Killeen ISD Education Foundation, are now accepting scholarship applications for Killeen ISD graduating seniors. Scholarships provide a way for students to supplement the cost of tuition and other college expenses. Each scholarship varies in criteria and award.

Killeen ISD Seniors:

You may be eligible for more than one scholarship opportunity, but only need to complete one ONLINE application form. The application has two links below: initial application and returning user. Please find key information detailing the conditions and eligibility requirements of each available scholarship in the 2021 Scholarship Eligibility Requirements Chart and the required GPA Class Rank Verification Form found in the links below.

Applications are due by Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

2021 Scholarship Eligibility Requirements Chart 2021 GPA Class Rank Verification Form

> 2022 Scholarship Application

Have you already started your scholarship application?

CLICK HERE TO FINISH YOUR APPLICATION

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Your Counselor will help you with your college and scholarship applications. The colleges and national organizations usually have their application deadlines in the fall and local organizations are in the spring. Read carefully for all criteria and deadlines. Not doing so could cost you a scholarship or deny your entry to the college of your choice. If you would like us to mail your scholarship applications, please turn them in to the Registrar's Office at least five days prior to the date they are due to their destination.

ApplyTexas has moved!

CLICK HERE IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR Summer 2022 ★ Fall 2022 ★ Spring 2023

If you are applying for the Summer 2021, Fall 2021, or Spring 2022 semesters, stay on this site and either log in using your existing credentials or create a new account. If you are applying for the Summer 2022, Fall 2022, or Spring 2023 semesters, please go to <u>https://goapplytexas.org</u> and create a new account. Registration for new accounts and applications for Summer 2022, Fall 2022, and Spring 2023 is now available! Please note you MUST create a new account if you are applying for Summer 2022 and beyond.

SAT-2021-2022 Test Dates: Fee: \$55 Late Fee: \$30.00

March 12, 2022 Registration Deadline: February 11, 2022 Late Registration Deadline: March 01, 2022 May 07, 2022 Registration Deadline: April 08, 2022 Late Registration Deadline: April 26, 2022 June 04, 2022 Registration Deadline: May 05, 2022 Late Registration Deadline: May 25, 2022 Go to the following website for access to the SAT Student Guide: https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/pdf/sat-student-guide.pdf

To register to take the test go to: www.sat.org

ACT 2021-2022 Test Dates: Fee: \$60.00 Late Fee: \$36.00

April 02, 2022 Registration Deadline: February 25, 2022 Late Registration Deadline: March 11, 2022

June 11, 2022 Registration Deadline: May 06, 2022 Late Registration Deadline: May 20, 2022

July 16, 2022 Registration Deadline: June 17, 2022 Late Registration Deadline: June 24, 2022 To Register to take the test go to: <u>https://act.org/content/act/en/register-for-the-act.html</u>

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

Fast web Scholarship Search - http://www.fastweb.com Peterson's www.collegequest.com www.collegeboard.org www.freschinfo.com (newsletter that comes out weekly. It is free) www.collegescholarships.org www.scholarshipexperts.com www.scholarships.com http://www.cappex.com/scholarships www.student.scholarships.org www.commonapp.org -this is a college application portal with around 600 colleges in its database.

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS

KISD has registered with Scholarship Lady of Central Texas!!!

Once you create your account, you will have access to:

Comprehensive Scholarship Database

- Nearly 1,000 local, Texas, & national scholarships
- Spreadsheet format makes it faster and easier to search
- Scholarships are listed in order of deadline and updated month prior to their deadlines.

Abundant Resources

- 150+ career resource
- 600+ college resources
- 250+ financial aid resources

Webinars

- 2 live webinars per month
- Replay previous month's webinar

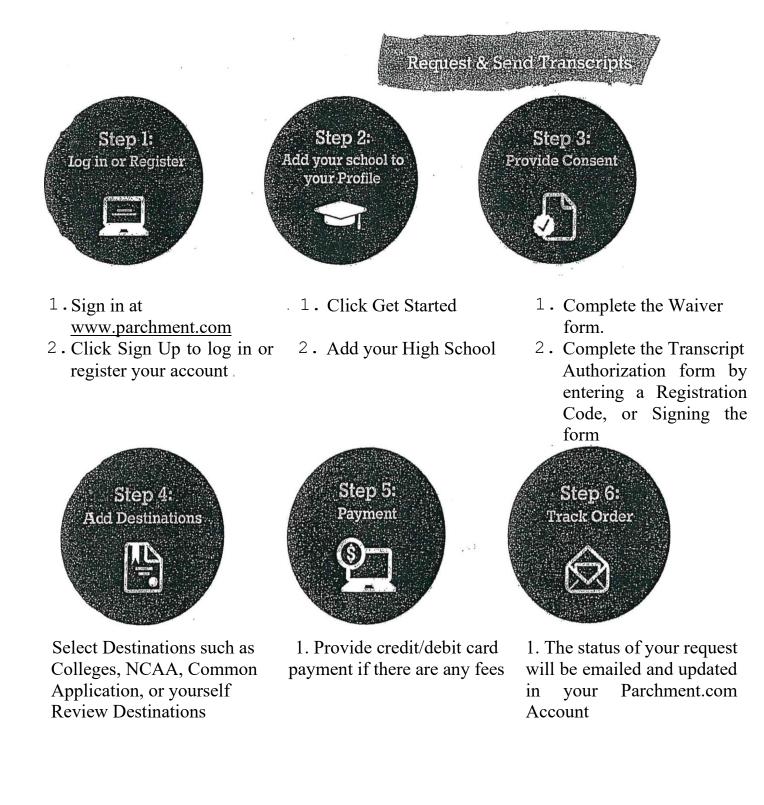
SIGN UP AT:

https://www.scholarshipladyofcentraltexas.com/ Password: 22opps

DATE	ΤΟΡΙϹ	TIME	LOCATION
September 28,		6:00 -	Killeen Career
2021	College Admissions	7:30	Center
		6:00 -	Killeen Career
October 26, 2021	FAFSA	7 :30	Center
November 30,		6:00 -	Killeen Career
2021	Paying College	7:30	Center
December 7,		6:00 -	Killeen Career
2021	Scholarships	7:30	Center
		6:00 -	Killeen Career
January 28, 2022	Student Loans	7:30	Center
February 22,		<mark>6:00 -</mark>	<mark>Killeen Career</mark>
<mark>2022</mark>	Understanding Your Financial Aid Package	<mark>7:30</mark>	<mark>Center</mark>
		6:00 -	Killeen Career
March 29, 2022	Career Search	7:30	Center
	9th - 12th Grade Checklist for the College	6:00 -	Killeen Career
April 26, 2022	Bound	7:30	Center
		6:00 -	Killeen Career
May 10, 2022	College Search	7:30	Center
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Due to COVID-19, print outs of individual scholarship applications will not be available in the counselor's office. Links to current scholarships are provided in this Senior Guide on the Ellison High School's web page. Click Student Support-Guidance Center-scroll down to find the guide.

The Compendium of Texas Colleges and Financial Aid Calendar is now only offered online. Please click on the following link to access information about the requirements for getting into a college, how much it will cost, and how you might pay for it. Also, please check The Compendium for scholarship information. <u>www.mspf.org</u> The Registrar's Office will be happy to mail your completed applications if they are turned in at least TEN days before they are due to their destination. Transcripts needed for scholarships are free and unlimited. Transcripts for college applications can also be requested through the following website: <u>www.parchment.com</u>.



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OFFICE HOURS 8:00AM - 4:30 PM

Registrar---Barbara Critchfield

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