



# October 2018



## Senior Guide

### A Word from the Counselors

**Seniors may sign up in the Guidance Office to take the ASVAB test on November 14th.**

#### Seniors

What should you be doing in October to prepare for life after high school?  
Read below!

- **Take the SAT I or ACT** if not taken previously or need to retake.
- **Register for SAT II** tests if required by the colleges you have chosen.
- **Sign up to see college representatives** when they visit our school.
- **Work on applications** for admission to colleges that you are considering. Do not forget to request an official transcript from the registrar's office for each college to which you are applying.
- **Explore financial aid** at your selected colleges.
- Apply for all **scholarships** applicable to your situation. (All transcripts for scholarship applications are free.)
- Watch out for **financial aid scams!** You are advised not to pay for any financial aid or scholarship information.
- **Don't procrastinate!** Remember to meet deadlines for applications and scholarships.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Would you like to get important updates delivered to your phone during the 2018-2019 school year?**

**Just text 81010 with the message @ceellison9**

**OR**

**Email: [ceellison9@mail.remind.com](mailto:ceellison9@mail.remind.com) (no message required)**

### **FINANCIAL AID**

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. Complete the FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

### **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 Guidance Office at least five days prior to the date they are due to their destination.**

**Extra Info. Corner:**

### **United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP)**

The United States Senate Youth Program, established in 1962 by U.S. Senate Resolution, is a unique educational experience for outstanding high school students interested in pursuing careers in public service. The 57<sup>th</sup> annual program will be held in Washington, D.C., from March 2 – 9, 2019.

Two student leaders from each state, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity will spend a week in Washington experiencing their national government in action. Student delegates will hear major policy addresses by senators, cabinet members, officials from the Departments of State and Defense and directors of other federal agencies, as well as participate in meetings with the president and a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. All transportation, hotel, and meal expense will be provided by The Hearst Foundations (<https://www.hearstfdn.org/>)

Each delegate is also awarded a \$10,000 undergraduate college scholarship, with encouragement to pursue coursework in history and political science. To apply, please contact your state selection contact. Ms. Celeste Padilla, Assistant Director, CCRS, Texas Education Agency, 1701 N. Congress Ave. Austin, TX 78701 (512) 463-1234 [celest.padilla@tea.texas.gov](mailto:celest.padilla@tea.texas.gov) or [www.tea.texas.gov/ussyp/](http://www.tea.texas.gov/ussyp/)

**Deadline is October 15, 2018**

## **SAT-2018-2019 Test Dates:**

### **November 03, 2018**

Registration Deadline: October 05, 2018

Late Registration Deadline: October 24, 2018

### **December 01, 2018**

Registration Deadline: November 02, 2018

Late Registration Deadline: November 20, 2018

### **May 04, 2019**

Registration Deadline: April 05, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: April 24, 2019

### **June 01, 2019**

Registration Deadline: May 03, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: May 22, 2019

## **ACT 2018-2019 Test Dates:**

### **October 27, 2018**

Registration Deadline: September 28, 2018

Late Registration Deadline: October 14, 2018

### **December 08, 2018**

Registration Deadline: November 02, 2018

Late Registration Deadline: November 02, 2018

### **February 09, 2019**

Registration Deadline: January 11, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: January 18, 2019

### **April 13, 2019**

Registration Deadline: March 08, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: March 25, 2019

### **June 08, 2019**

Registration Deadline: May 03, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: May 20, 2019

### **July 13, 2019**

Registration Deadline: June 14, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: June 24, 2019

## **COLLEGE TOURS/OPEN HOUSE**

### **Montana State University-MSU Friday**

Friday, October 19, 2018, Friday, January 25, 2019, Friday, March 01, 2019,  
Friday, March 29, 2019, and Friday, June 14, 2019

### **Texas Christian University-Mondays at TCU**

Monday, October 01, 2018, Monday, October 22, 2018, Monday, November 12, 2018,  
Monday, December 03, 2018, February 04, 2019, March 25, 2019, and April 22, 2019

**Seton Hall University:** October 14, 2018, November 18, 2018, February 17, 2019,  
and April 14, 2019. For more information and to register: [www.shu.edu/visiting](http://www.shu.edu/visiting)

### **UT Dallas-Scholars Day**

Saturday, October 20, 2018 and Saturday, November 17, 2018 9a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Register online at the UT Dallas website.

**Texas Southern University**-Friday, October 26, 2018 and Friday, February 22, 2019

### **Midwestern State University**

Mustangs Rally-Saturday, November 03, 2018 & Saturday, March 09, 2019  
<https://mwsu.edu/admissions/mustangs-rally.php>

Junior Day-Friday, April 12, 2019

<http://mwsu.edu/admissions/junior-day.php>

## **SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES**

Fast web Scholarship Search - <http://www.fastweb.com>

Peterson's - [www.collegequest.com](http://www.collegequest.com)

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

[www.freschinfo.com](http://www.freschinfo.com) (newsletter that comes out weekly. It is free)

[www.scholarships-ar-us.org](http://www.scholarships-ar-us.org)

[www.meritaid.com](http://www.meritaid.com)

[www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)

[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)

<http://www.cappex.com/scholarships>

[www.student.scholarships.org](http://www.student.scholarships.org)

[www.scholarshipmentor.com](http://www.scholarshipmentor.com)

## CURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS

### **Average to Extraordinary Scholarship**

Deadline: December 31, 2018, March 31, 2019,  
June 30, 2019

- Must be a high school student in Texas

### **Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards**

Deadline: October 15, 2018

- Hispanic/Latino high school seniors
- Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$3,000

Apply online at [www.hispanicheritage.org](http://www.hispanicheritage.org)

### **AES Engineering**

Deadline: October 06, 2018 Award amount: \$500

- Must submit an essay between 500 and 1000 words in answer to the following question:  
When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey?
- Go to [www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm)

### **Horatio Alger Association Scholarship**

Deadline: October 25, 2018

- Be enrolled full time as a high school senior in the United States; be progressing normally toward graduation in spring/summer 2018 with plan to enter a college in the United States no later than the fall following graduation.
- Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree at an accredited non-profit public or private institution in the United States (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution)
- Demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income is required)
- Be involved in extracurricular and community service activities
- Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity.
- Maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 and
- Be a United States citizen

## **Americanism Essay Contest**

Deadline: December 01, 2018

- Grade 7 – 12
- Must be sponsored by a branch of the Fleet Reserve Association or a unit of the Ladies Auxiliary, or FRA Member-at-large
- The essay shall be on the theme: What Patriotism Mean to Me and shall not exceed 350 words
- The essay shall be legibly written or typed on one side of paper
- The title of the essay shall be written or typed at the top of the paper.
- A student may submit one entry each year
- Each entry must be accompanied by a separate sheet stating: the entrants name, address, zip code, telephone number, school grade (or equivalent), name of school, or the words “home schooled”, number of words in essay, and the sponsoring branch/unit or sponsor’s name.
- Entries submitted to branches shall be submitted to the Branch Americanism-Patriotism Committee and postmarked no later than December 1, for judging at the branch level.

## **The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship**

Deadline: October 31, 2018

### **Applicants must be:**

The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship award to graduating high school seniors. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, as well as their commitment to making a significant impact on their school and communities.

- Current high school or home-schooled student attending a school in the U.S. or select Department of Defense School who will graduate during the 2018-2019 academic year.
- U.S. Citizen, U.S. Nationals, U.S. Permanent resident, Refugees, Asylees, Cuban-Haitian Entrants, or Humanitarian Parolees-based on the guidelines utilized by the U.S. Department of Education for Federal Financial Aid eligibility
- Will receive a high school diploma during the current academic year
- Planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution

### **Applicants may not be:**

Children or grandchildren of employees, officers, or owners of Coca-Cola bottling companies, The Coca-Cola Company, Company divisions or subsidiaries.

- International students with the exception of students at DoD schools
- High School graduates
- Or Temporary Residents of the United States

### **Wendy's Heisman Scholarship**

Deadline: October 17, 2018

- Students whose senior year of high school is the 2018-2019 academic year, graduating with the class of 2019.
- Student who have at least a "B" grade average (3.0) GPA during grades 9, 10, and 11.
- Students who participate in at least one of 47 Wendy's High School recognized sports recognized by the International Olympic Committee or the National Federation of State High School Associations.
- Students who have participated in volunteer service, community. Involvement or leadership within his/her school or community.
- Apply online at: [www.wendysheisman.com](http://www.wendysheisman.com)

### **Military Order of the Purple Heart Auxiliary Unit 1876-Ron Taylor Scholarship**

Deadline: October 25, 2018

- The spouse, direct lineal descendent (child, step-child, adopted child or grandchild) of a Purple Heart recipient who is a member of Chapter 1876 or MOPHA Unit 1876.
- The widow/widower of a service member killed-in-action or who died of wounds. Supporting documentation and evidence must be included with the application.
- If the applicant (widow, widower or direct lineal descendent) is not a member of MOPHA Unit 1876 or CENTEX Chapter 1876, they may become a member by contacting the scholarship chairperson via email: [drswllms62@gmail.com](mailto:drswllms62@gmail.com) (with the Subject: Ron Taylor Scholarship Application, Member Application) to receive an application. **Verification (DD 214 or copy of orders) of eligibility must be submitted along with membership application.**
- **Must NOT be receiving post 9/11 or Forever GI Bill benefits.**

In order to be eligible to receive the MOPHA Ron Taylor Scholarship, applicants must meet the following three requirements:

- A graduate or upcoming graduate (current senior) of a high school or GED program.
- Accepted by or enrolled as a full-time or part-time undergraduate student at an accredited U.S. college, university or trade school at the time the scholarship is awarded.
- Able to demonstrate the capacity for advanced academic achievement or technical proficiency as demonstrated by maintaining at least 2.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) based on an unweighted 4.0 grading system.

To apply, applicants need to complete and submit the following materials:

- MOPHA Scholarship Application Form
- Original, official high school and/or college transcript through the latest completed semester or quarter.
- Essay of 300 words on the following subject “How Has Social Media Impacted Our Society Today?”
- One letter of recommendation from someone other than a family member
- Copy of ID card
- **All** applications must be mailed in hard copy to the address indicated at the top of the application packet.

### **Prudential Spirit of Community Awards**

Deadline: November 06, 2018

- Grades 5-12 as of November 06, 2018, and is a legal resident of the 50 states or the District of Columbia
- Engaged in a volunteer activity that occurred at least in part after September 01, 2017
- Completes application and submits it to a school principal or the head of an officially designated local organization by November 06, 2018

### **NAACP Scholarship**

Deadline: January 19, 2018

- Plan to attend college in the fall semester 2018
- Complete application in its entirety and include signature on the specified line
- Compose a 300 word essay on one of the following topics:  
What are your career goals? Explain. OR  
Who has influenced you the most throughout your life and why?
- Submit an official transcript



## **SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES AT A GLANCE**

### **OCTOBER SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES**

AES Engineering 10/06/18  
Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards 10/15/18  
Wendy's Heisman Scholarship 10/31/18  
Horatio Alger Association Scholarship 10/25/18  
Military Order of the Purple Heart Auxiliary Unit 1876-Ron Taylor Scholarship 10/25/18  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 10/26/18  
The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship 10/31/18

### **College Rep Visits To EHS**

Kansas State University-Wednesday, October 03, 2018 – 6<sup>th</sup> period  
Texas A&M University College Station-Tuesday, October 09, 2018  
Concordia University-Austin-Wednesday, October 17, 2018  
Huston-Tillotson-Tuesday, November 13, 2018 – 3<sup>rd</sup> period

### **Counseling Department**

Counselor---Juli Fischer	Counselor---Phylicia Gaston
Counselor---April Hoffman	Counselor---Victoria Mintz
Counselor---Sarah Noteboom	Counselor---Amy Picot
Coordinator-David Dominguez	Registrar---Barbara Critchfield
Secretary----Pamela Pierce	

**OFFICE HOURS 8:00 – 4:30 PM**

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