



November 2024

Senior Guide



A Word from the Counselors

Graduation Requirement!!

All students enrolled in 12th grade must do one of the following in order to graduate:

- 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

Which one is right for you?

FAFSA: If you are a U.S. citizen and complete the FAFSA, you may be eligible to receive financial aid (grants, loans, work study programs, etc.). Many colleges will offer you scholarships based upon your FAFSA submission also. **The**

Student Resources:

Websites:

FAFSA

<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

<https://studentaid.gov/resources>

TASFA

<https://www.finaid.txstate.edu/undergraduate/how/TASFA.html>

Social Media:

<https://www.facebook.com/FederalStudentAid>

<https://twitter.com/fafsa>

<https://www.youtube.com/user/FederalStudentAid>

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/federalstudentaid/>

Need help? See your school counselor today!

FAFSA opens December 1, 2024. Your best chance to receive aid is to apply EARLY.

TASFA: If you are a foreign student or noncitizen, you may be eligible to be classified as a Texas resident for tuition purposes. If so, you may also be eligible to receive state financial aid.

Opt-Out Form: Students who do not completed a FAFSA or TASFA, may fulfill the graduation requirement by submitting a completed and signed Opt-Out form to your school counselor.

Download the Federal Student Aid mobile app today from the Apple Store or Google Play.



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.

COLLEGE APPLICATIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship information is available in the Counselors' Office and in the Counselor's Schoology page.

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:

www.parchment.com.

Links to current scholarships are provided in this Senior Guide, in each counselor's Schoology page and on the Scholarship Lady of Central Texas web page.

ACCESS TO 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.

SIGN UP AT:

<https://www.scholarshipladyofcentraltexas.com/>

Password: Strive25

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

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

Peterson's - www.collegequest.com

www.collegeboard.com

www.freschinfo.com (newsletter that comes out weekly. It is free)

www.scholarships-ar-us.org

www.meritaid.com

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.scholarships.com

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

www.scholarshipmentor.com

Scholarship Lady of Central Texas Monthly Meetings- Career Center

DATE	TOPIC	TIME	LOCATION
September 24, 2024	College Search	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
October 29, 2024	FAFSA	6:00 – 7 :30	Killeen Career Center
November 19,2024	College Admissions	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
December 10, 2024	Student Loans	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
January 28, 2025	Scholarships	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
February 25, 2025	Paying for College	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
March 25, 2025	Understanding your Financial Aid Package	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
April 29, 2025	Career Search	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center
May 13,2025	Upcoming 9th-12th Checklist for the College Bound	6:00 - 7:30	Killeen Career Center

There are several free resources for students to prepare for the SAT:

Khan Academy offers free, customized SAT practice at <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/khan-academy>

College Board offers free, printable SAT practice tests at: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/full-length-practice-tests>

SAT-2024-2025 Test Dates: Fee: \$55 Late Fee: \$30.00

December 07, 2024

Registration Deadline: November 22, 2024

Late Registration Deadline: November 26, 2024

March 8, 2025

Registration Deadline: February 21, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: February 25, 2025

May 03, 2025

Registration Deadline: April 18, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: April 22, 2025

June 07, 2025

Registration Deadline: May 22, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: May 27, 2025

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 2024-2025 Test Dates: Fee: \$60.00 (no writing); \$85 (with writing) Late Fee: \$36.00

February 08, 2025

Registration Deadline: January 03, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: January 20, 2025

April 13, 2025

Registration Deadline: March 08, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: March 24, 2025

June 08, 2025

Registration Deadline: May 03, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: May 19, 2025

July 13, 2025

Registration Deadline: June 07, 2025

Late Registration Deadline: June 21, 2025

To Register to take the test go to: <https://act.org/content/act/en/register-for-the-test>**IMPORTANT DATES: (Stop by Counselor's Office to sign up)**

November 13, 2024 – TSIA2 Testing

December 04, 2024 – TSIA2 Testing

January 22, 2025 – TSIA2 Testing

January 23, 2025 - FAFSA Night – EHS – 5:30-7:30pm

January 29, 2025 – Scholarship Lady at EHS – Topic is Scholarships

February 12, 2025 – TSIA2 Testing

February 13, 2025 – Academic Planning Fair – Career Center – Time TBD

February 19, 2025 – TSIA2 Testing

February 26, 2025 – TSIA2 Testing

March 04, 2025 – ASVAB Testing

March 05, 2025 – TSIA2 Testing

April 09, 2025 – Scholarship Lady at EHS – Topic is Paying for College

May, 2025 – Awards Ceremony for Military Recruits – TBD

May 24, 2025 – EHS Graduation at Cadence Bank Center – Belton – 9am

Counseling Department

Counselor – Roslyn deKeratry

Counselor – Sarah Noteboom

Counselor – Amy Picot

Counselor – Kim Rogers

Counselor – Juli Schaub

Career Center Counselor – Shatilya Brooks

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