

SIGNATURE SCHOOL

JUNIOR
SOPHOMORE
FRESHMAN
BULLETIN
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This bulletin is designed to help Signature School 9th-11th grade students navigate the many opportunities for educational, personal, and cultural growth. You will find there are many activities and much information listed, from opportunities for scholarships to announcements of meetings and important dates that will aid in preparing you for your upcoming college process. We hope you find this helpful and that it makes your steps toward college easier and more fulfilling.

Health Science Institute

The Health Science Institute is now accepting applications from current sophomores and juniors. A brochure is posted in the lobby with extra copies available from your science teacher. The application deadline for this highly selective program is **January 15th, at 4:00PM**. Interested students will want to begin the application process immediately. Not only do they have to make arrangements with the Office of Academic Services to send a transcript, but they must also secure the agreement of a current science teacher to provide a recommendation after the application has been submitted.



Coolidge Scholarship The 2020 Coolidge Scholarship application is now open for interested **juniors**. This scholarship is a full-ride, four-year, merit scholarship that may be used by recipients for undergraduate study at any accredited college or university in the United States. This is a highly selective scholarship. Past applicants had a near perfect GPA, near perfect SAT/ACT scores, and demonstrated leadership and commitment to service at the highest standards. For more information, please see Mrs. Mumford or Mrs. Roscoe in the Academic Services office. Deadline is January 16.



Phantoscope High School Film Festival

The Richmond Art Museum is hosting a film competition for students in grades 9-12. For more information go to <http://phantoscope.org/>. Submissions are due by Feb. 1.

Summer Programs



University of Notre Dame Summer Scholars

Applications go live: October 15, 2019

Financial Aid request forms due: February 10, 2020

Applications due: February 18, 2020

Program Date: June 27 - July 11, 2020

Summer Scholars participants spend two intense weeks in one of 21 exciting programs of study. The classes are small and offer personal attention from Notre Dame faculty. The coursework is a true preview of college academics, and students earn one college credit upon the completion of a program track. More info available here <https://precollege.nd.edu/summer-scholars/>.

For information on additional credit-bearing summer programs at Notre Dame, please visit <https://precollege.nd.edu>. Applications are now available. Deadlines beginning January 27.



Washington University in St. Louis Pre-College Programs

Visit <https://precollege.wustl.edu/> for more information.



Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program

The Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program is a hands-on learning experience for rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Learn more at <https://immersion.summer.wfu.edu/>.



Murray State University's Commonwealth Honors Academy 2020

Juniors:

The Commonwealth Honors Academy (CHA) at Murray State is an exciting, challenging three-week academic enrichment program for outstanding high school students who have completed their junior year, maintained a 3.5 GPA, and received a minimum composite 25 ACT. For more information and to apply visit <https://murraystate.edu/cha/>. Deadline March 1.



Deaconess Health Science Institute

Sophomores and Juniors:

The Deaconess Health Science Institute is a rigorous, two-week summer program for high-achieving high school students in Southwestern Indiana who are interested in exploring healthcare careers. Deaconess Hospital in Evansville sponsors HSI in partnership with the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation. <https://www.deaconess.com/For-You/Students/Health-Science-Institute>
Deadline January 15.



University of Miami Summer Scholars Program

Sophomores and Juniors:

The University of Miami Summer Scholars Program provides an exciting opportunity for current high school sophomores and juniors to explore their academic passions and experience what it's like to be a college student. More information at <https://ssp.dcie.miami.edu/>. Deadline March 1.



Rice University Aerospace & Aviation Academy, Fueled by Envision

The Aerospace & Aviation Academy is an immersive 12-day program designed specifically for students who are interested in pursuing careers in fields of aerospace and aviation. To attend the 2020 summer session, students must be in grades 9-12 during the 2019-2020 school year. Most students are nominated for the program by an educator, but they do accept a limited number of students through their application process. Please visit the following link for more information and an application:

<https://enrollment.envisionexperience.com/Apply?random=80218707>.



Summer at Smith 2020

Smith College's summer programs offer female high school students the opportunity to pursue their academic interests in and out of the classroom, strengthen their college applications, and meet other motivated and ambitious college-bound young women. Program applications are evaluated on a rolling basis until programs are filled. It is recommended that you submit a complete application, including all additional materials, to the Office of Precollege Programs prior to May 1. For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.smith.edu/academics/precollege-programs>.



The Reynolds Young Writers Workshop at Denison

The Reynolds Young Writers Workshop is an eight-day residential program that incorporates small creative writing workshops, group sessions with Denison creative writing faculty and notable visiting writers, and much more. More info at reynolds.denison.edu. Applications due by Sunday, March 1 at 11:59PM.



University of Evansville Engineering OPTIONS for High School Girls

The University of Evansville OPTIONS for High School Girls teaches participants about career opportunities available in engineering and computer science. High school girls in grades 9, 10, or 11 who have completed geometry are invited to apply. Priority is given to first-time high school camp attendees. Participants receive UE college scholarships totaling \$5,000 (over four years). For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.evansville.edu/options/hsGirls.cfm>.



Wisconsin School of Business Emerging Leaders (BEL) Program

Attention Sophomores! Wisconsin School of Business at the University of Wisconsin-Madison summer 2020 Business Emerging Leaders (BEL) Program is now open. For more information and eligibility requirements visit <https://wsb.wisc.edu/programs-degrees/undergraduate-bba/leadership-personal-development/bel-program>.

Visit Days

REED COLLEGE

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Reed College Junior Visit Days

Reed College will host a Junior Visit Day on Friday, March 27, a half-day exploration of the college admission process. High school juniors and their families can visit Reed and attend workshops from experienced admission counselors on topics including financial aid, writing a personal statement, and much more. Reed College is located in Portland, OR. For more information, visit https://apply.reed.edu/portal/junior_visit_days.

Reed Junior Scholars Program

Reed's Junior Scholars Program invites a highly qualified group of high school juniors from historically underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds to visit Reed. All air travel, on-campus meals, and on-campus lodging is covered by the college. Visits last two full days and include an overnight in the Reed residence halls. Applications are due by Monday, January 27. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://www.reed.edu/apply/visit/juniorscholars.html>.

Boston University Winter Visit Day

Friday, February 21, 2020, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

High school juniors and sophomores and their families are invited to join BU admissions staff and current students to learn:

- Why BU is a top-choice university for high-achieving students
- How to make an application for admission stand out
- What makes your specific area of academic interest a smart choice

The information presented will be focused and timely for students in the college search process. Student-led tours of campus and lunch in a dining hall will be provided. For more information visit <https://www.bu.edu/admissions/visit-us/campus/winter-visit-day/>.

When to take the SAT and ACT

The College Board and ACT recommend taking the exams for the first time in the spring of your junior year, so you'll have an opportunity to take them a second time during the summer or fall of your senior year before college application deadlines.

SAT and ACT Fee Waivers

Juniors: If your family qualified for Textbook Assistance, you are eligible for a SAT and/or ACT waiver. Fee waivers cover the cost of the exam, score reports sent to colleges, application fees at participating colleges, and more. Please see Mrs. Roscoe in the Academic Services Office for a waiver or if you have any questions.

ACT Test Dates & Deadlines

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	ACT Scores Available
February 8, 2020	January 10, 2020	February 18, 2020
April 4th, 2020	February 28, 2020	April 14, 2020

SAT Test Dates & Deadlines

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	SAT Scores Available
March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020	March 27, 2020
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	May 15, 2020

