### **College Visits**

### **AT PELLA HS:**

The University of Iowa, September 30 - 8:00

St. Olaf College, September 30 - 2:45

PCI Academy, October 1 - 11:30

Coe College, October 5 - 9:00

Marshalltown Community College, October 5 - 10:30

Bethel University, October 6 - 9:30

The Marines, October 6 - 11:30

Mt. Mercy College, October 6 - 2:00

Mercy College of Health, October 6 - 2:30

Drake University, October 7 - 9:30

Calvin College, October 8 - 9:00

Buena Vista University, October 8 - 11:30

DMACC, October 9 - 10:00

Hawkeye Community College, October 9 - 11:00

William Penn University, October 9 - 12:45

#### **COLLEGE CAMPUS VISIT:**

Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, Penn, and Standford will be represented at an Exploring College Options informational session for students and parents. This will be held in Cedar Rapids on October 1 at the Doubletree Cedar Rapids Convention Center. Visit <a href="https://www.exploringcollegeoptions.org">www.exploringcollegeoptions.org</a> for more details.

Washington University in St. Louis admissions Information Session - Thursday, October 15. 7:00-8:00 PM at the Sheraton West Des Moines Hotel in West Des Moines, Iowa.

Creative Center College of Art & Design - Saturday, October 17. 11:00-2:00. Omaha, NE.

Monmouth College - Saturday, November 1. Meet Monmouth Day. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.monmouthcollege.edu">www.monmouthcollege.edu</a>.

Buena Vista University - Saturday, November 14. Fall Visit Day. See bvu.edu/visit for more information.

### **Scholarships**

**Youngarts** provides awards of up to \$10,000. If you are an artist in one of the following categories, apply soon: cinematic arts, dance, design arts, jazz, music, photography, theater, visual arts, voice, writing, spoken word. Visit youngarts.org/apply. Deadline is October 16.

The Prudential Spirit of Community Award recognizes students who have made meaningful contributions to their communities through volunteer service. These prestigious awards are presented annually on the local, state, and national level. If you would like to apply, visit <a href="http://spirit.prudential.com">http://spirit.prudential.com</a>. Applications are due November 3.

**The Hagan Scholarship** is worth up to \$40,000. Scholarships are intended for high achieving students who will require financial assistance in order to attend college. Visit <a href="www.hsfmo.org">www.hsfmo.org</a>. Deadline is November 15.

**Iowa Student Loan** will award thirty Iowa high school seniors \$2,000 for college through the Iowa Financial Know-How Challenge: Senior Scholarship, open Nov. 2, 2015, through March 4, 2016. All students have to do is register, complete two online financial literacy tools and a related assessment. For more information, contact: **Senior Scholarship and Curriculum Guides -**Julie Cahalan(800) 243-7552, ext. 7226, <u>icahalan@studentloan.org</u>

**NFIB Young Entrepreneur Foundation** offers a reward to high school seniors who operate their own small businesses. For more information, visit www.NFIB.com/YEA. Deadline is December 18.

**The University of Missouri** offers several scholarships each year. To automatically be considered for some of their scholarships, all you have to do is apply there by December 15. For more information, visit admissions.missouri.edu.

**lowa Newspaper Foundation** offers scholarships to students preparing for a newspaper career. Visit <a href="https://www.INAnews.com">www.INAnews.com</a> for more information. Deadline is February 12.

**Mediacom World Class Scholars Scholarship Program** offers 55 \$1,000 non-renewable scholarships to seniors. For more information and for an application, visit <a href="https://www.mediacomworldclass.com">www.mediacomworldclass.com</a>. Deadline is February 15.

**The Pearl Hull Falk Scholarship** is an \$800 scholarship given by MidWestOne Bank. Eligibility requirements include being of the Protestant faith, a resident of Iowa, and planning to attend The University of Iowa full-time. For an application, please see Mrs. Manning. Deadline is May 2.

## **Other News**

ZAPS ACT workshop will be held at Pella High School on October 5th and 6th at 6:30 PM. Register at <a href="https://store.zaps.com/seminars.">https://store.zaps.com/seminars.</a>

The Wendy's High School Heisman award is given to well-rounded seniors who show exceptional leadership, dedication, and determination. Winners get a chance to be honored at the Heisman Trophy ceremony in New York City, and their schools could be one of 100 who receive \$1000-\$5000 in donations. To apply, visit <a href="wendysheisman.com">wendysheisman.com</a>; deadline is October 2.

If you are interested in becoming a 2016 lowa Senate and House of Representative Page, apply at <a href="https://www.legis.iowa.gov/agencies/careers/page">https://www.legis.iowa.gov/agencies/careers/page</a>. Deadline is October 9.

Distinguished Young Women of Iowa is a leadership program that inspires young women to develop their full potential through a fun, transformative experience that culminates in a showcase of their accomplishments. Thousands of dollars in scholarships will be awarded. This year's program is offered in Coralville, Iowa, from March 2-4. Sign up at <a href="https://www.DistinguishedYW.org/Participate">www.DistinguishedYW.org/Participate</a>; deadline is December 1.

Keep our Distinguished Service Program in mind this year. If you volunteer 50 hours of service, you will be acknowledged at Senior Awards Night and at graduation with a special cord. Last year, we had over 50 seniors earn cords. Many of you are already volunteering in a way that would count toward this recognition. Stop by the guidance office if you have questions about whether a certain type of service counts or if you have questions about how to log your hours. Also, if you are looking for a place to volunteer, we have suggestions for you!

Many of you will be asked to fill out the Common Application when applying to college. For more information and tips, visit <a href="http://blog.commonapp.org/2014/07/28/prospectiveapplicants/">http://blog.commonapp.org/2014/07/28/prospectiveapplicants/</a>.

If you are interested in purchasing an online ACT and/or SAT study guide to help prepare for either test, visit <a href="http://www.eknowledge.com/NFHS">http://www.eknowledge.com/NFHS</a> for discounted access.

## <u>ACT Dates</u>

Test Date:

October 24, 2015 December 12, 2015 February 6, 2015 April 9, 2015 June 11, 2015

To register, go to: <a href="https://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a>. High school code is 163490.

**Registration Due** 

September 18, 2015 November 6, 2015 January 8, 2015 March 4, 2015 May 6, 2015

# <u>SAT Dates</u>

**Test Date:** 

October 3, 2015 November 7, 2015 December 5, , 2015 January 23, 2015 March 5, 2015 May 7, 2015 June 4, 2015

To register, go to: www.sat.collegeboard.com.

Registration Due:

September 3, 2015 October 9, 2014 November 5, 2014 December 28, 2014 February 5, 2015 April 8, 2015 May 5, 2015