



Senior Announcements

*Graceland University will offer students the **Iowa Scholars** program where they could receive full tuition for four years. Qualified Iowa high school seniors achieving a cumulative 3.00 GPA and scoring 21 or higher on the ACT will receive this offer. Students must file the FAFSA and complete verification (if selected), by February 15, 2018; submit \$200 deposit on or before May 1, 2018; enroll full-time and live on campus in Lamoni, IA.

*As a new initiative, Simpson College is offering free tuition to students whose families have a total income of less than \$60,000. If your family qualifies for this, it could be an amazing opportunity for you. See Mrs. Manning or Mrs. Thompson if you have questions!

*If you need to request a transcript, please submit your request at the following link:

<http://www.pellaschools.org/schools/high-school/counseling/transcript-requests/>

*The FAFSA can now be completed any time after October 1. Some colleges have moved up their financial aid priority deadlines. Visit this link for Iowa college deadlines:

<http://www.icansucceed.org/index.cfm?nodeID=63214&audiencelD=1>

*For a great site on FAFSA information, grants, scholarships, and other college application tips, visit the Iowa College Access Network at:

<http://www.icansucceed.org/>

College Visits

AT PELLA HS (in the library at 11:30):

Ellsworth Community College - Tuesday, Dec. 5

Other:

ABC Apprenticeship & Training Trust: Friday, December 8 at the Iowa State Fairgrounds:

www.abciowatrust.org/craftchampionships/

Titan Machinery Service Technician Sponsorship program:

<http://www.titanmachinery.com/service-tech-sponsor-program>

Local Scholarships

National scholarship site: <https://www.studentscholarships.org>

The University of Iowa's Strayer-Rairden Scholarship:

<http://www.physics.uiowa.edu/undergraduate-program/undergraduate-scholarships-and-awards/strayer-rairden-scholarship-physics>

Iowa PGA Charlie Burkart Scholarship: Eligibility requirements include activity in golf, the potential for future contributions to the game, leadership skills, community involvement, and academic ability.

See Mrs. Manning for an application.

Des Moines Women's Club Scholarships: <https://www.desmoineswomensclub.com/scholarships/>

Hagan Scholarship Foundation (need-based merit scholarship): www.hsfmo.org

United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship: www.usjcisenatefoundation.org (See Mrs. Manning if you're unable to print the application.)

Iowa State's complete listing of awards and additional scholarship resources:
www.financialaid.iastate.edu

Iowa State's H.S. Ostlin Memorial Scholarship: <http://www.financialaid.iastate.edu/scholarships>

Iowa State University Hixson Opportunity Awards: <http://www.hixson.dso.iastate.edu>

Grand Lodge of Iowa Masonic Scholarship and MCEC Technical Scholarships:
<http://grandlodgeofiowa.org/grand-lodge/awards>

Iowa Newspaper Foundation: www.INAnews.com

HyVee Foundation Scholarship: www.hy-vee.com

Iowa Student Loan: www.iowaStudentLoan.org/SaveNow

www.iowaStudentLoan.org/SeniorScholarship

www.iowaStudentLoan.org/Giveaway

ClaimAid: <http://www.claimaid.com/iowa-scholarships/>

Distinguished Young Women of Iowa:

http://www.icansucceed.org/en/initiatives/career_college_access_initiatives/golden_circle_college_career_fair/

Hagan Scholarship Foundation: www.hsfmo.org.

Pearl Hull Falk Scholarship: \$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.

Trinity Christian College Founders Scholarship: <http://tcc.trnty.edu/financialaid/foundersapp.pdf>

Other News

Keep our Distinguished Service Program in mind this year. If you volunteer 100 hours of service throughout your four years of high school, you will be acknowledged at Senior Awards Night and at graduation with a special cord. Last year, we had over 60 seniors earn cords. Many of you are already volunteering in a way that would count toward this recognition. Stop by the counseling 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!

ACT Dates

Test Date:

December 9, 2017
February 10, 2018
April 14, 2018
June 9, 2018
July 14, 2018

Registration Due

November 3, 2017
January 12, 2018
March 9, 2018
May 4, 2018
June 15, 2018

To register, go to: www.actstudent.org. High school code is 163490.

SAT Dates

Test Date:

November 4, 2017
December 2, , 2017
March 10, 2018
May 5, 2018
June 2, 2018

Registration Due:

October 5, 2017
November 2, 2017
February 9, 2018
April 6, 2018
May 3, 2018

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