

Senior Year Reminders

Summer:

- Volunteer Activities/Service Hours are very important when applying for scholarships – if you can't find a job, look for places to volunteer or ask to volunteer at a place you would like to work
- Research and finalize scholarships to pursue
- Anticipate having completed tax returns by January 31st so that you can complete FAFSA and apply for any financial aid
- Check with area churches and businesses for potential scholarship opportunities
- Southern Baptists or SBCV – check on qualifying scholarships
- August – Senior Portraits completed
- August 26th – all seniors must have their picture taken with the drape/tux on individual picture day.
- Fundraisers for senior trip
- Study for the SAT – take an SAT Prep course online or through local community college or at Hargrave Military Academy
- Go to www.collegeboard.com - review scholarships and SAT preparation – go to the portal – For Students
- Complete a resume of volunteer, sport, and work experiences so that you have it ready to fill out for scholarships
- Request recommendation letters from teachers and/or pastors who know you well
- Finalize college application process – prepare to begin payments in February

Fall:

- Give 100% in all classes – stay focused
- Check on your GPA – must be at 2.75 for Liberty Scholarship
- All online courses for high school credit and/or dual credit must be approved by Mr. Devers or Mrs. Moore by August 10th.
- Application to college should be in by the fall – confirm with college – ask the office to send the initial transcript after you have completed your application
- Take SAT – take it 1-2 times in the fall – register early online at www.collegeboard.com The new, redesigned SAT will begin March 2016
- Complete scholarship applications (see attached list)
- Assist with weekly fundraisers and any other fundraisers – poinsettia sales are great fundraisers – plan and promote early
- Order announcements and other senior memorabilia
- Attend Financial Aid Seminars held at the school

Winter:

- Continue to remain focused on doing well
- **Complete FAFSA and any other scholarship applications by January 31st – your parents taxes need to be completed so you have this information to complete**
- Follow up with the college to complete anything that remains outstanding at this point
- Finalize plans for the senior trip
- Make plans to attend Jr/Sr Banquet
- Attend College for Weekend (optional)
- Complete any scholarship applications
- Begin collecting needed items for college

Spring:

- Take advantage of all scholarship opportunities – complete Hurt-Motley Ruritan Club scholarship application
- Tobacco Scholarship
- Minnie T. Maude (Pittsylvania County)
- Plan for Senior Trip
- Send out announcements by May 1st – Graduation – Friday, May 27th at 7:00 p.m.
- Plan for graduation – dress-up occasion, reception, etc.
- Give the office address of where to send final transcript
- Graduation Portraits