

SENIOR INFORMATION * 8/20
SENIOR YEAR CALENDAR
2019-20

September	<p>If you plan to take the SAT, register for the Oct. 5, 2019 register by Sept. 6th <i>It will be offered at New Castle High School on Saturday, Oct 5 @ 8:00 a.m.</i> <i>Lilly Scholarship Application opens ~Deadline Sept. 19th @ 5:00 p.m.</i> Apply to colleges, visit colleges and visit with college reps at NCHS Attend the Henry County College Fair –Monday, Sept. 9th– 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Sept. 11th – ASVAB Testing Sept. 23 – 27 is College Go Week – many IN colleges offer free applications ACT registration by Sept. 20 @ Muncie TEST date: Oct. 26, 2019</p>
October	<p>FAFSA filing begins October 1st – ends April 15th, 2020 21st – FAFSA workshop 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Media Center 21st – Scholarship meeting 6:00 p.m. - Bundy</p>
November/December	<p>College applications are due Henry County Community Foundation Scholarship Applications open Nov. 1st and closes Feb. 1st SAT offered Nov. 2 (other h.s.) and Dec. 7th @ New Castle H.S. ACT offered Dec. 14 (Muncie Central) Nov. 4 – Dec. 6, ISTEP+ retests window</p>
January/February	<p>ACT offered Feb. 8, 2020 (Muncie Central) Feb. 3 – March 18 “in-house” local scholarship applications to open</p>
March	<p>4th – SAT School Day (offered during our regular school day ~8:00 a.m.) Complete local scholarship applications by the 18th SAT offered March 14th (Muncie Central)</p>
April	<p>ACT offered April 4, 2020 (Muncie Central) FAFSA deadline – 15th 9th - InvestEd presentations to Seniors and parent/guardian “FAFSA filled....now what?” 6:00 p.m. ~ Media Central</p>
May	<p>Decide which college to attend by May 1 and inform colleges SAT offered in New Castle May 2, 2020 ~ 8:00 a.m. Local scholarship winners announced at the Recognitions Program</p>
June	<p>SAT offered June 6, 2020 (other h.s.) ACT offered June 13, 2020 (other h.s.)</p>

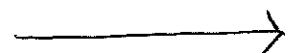
WEB SITES THAT CAN BE OF HELP

www.fastweb.com, www.collegeedge.com, www.collegeboard.org. (This has SAT/PSAT practice tests)
www.finaid.org, www.collegeview.com, www.Raise.Me, nccsc.k12.in.us/counseling

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

The sequence for applying for college is:

1. Apply to be accepted in the college. Early admission is offered at many Indiana Colleges by ***NOVEMBER 1st!*** Many colleges will request that you apply on-line ***If you use an online application, follow the instructions and be sure to print any forms you need to have sent to the college. You will need***



to request a transcript through parchment (a good idea to use an email other than your school e-mail, due to the fact your school email will be deleted after graduation and you will need an updated transcript sent to the college you plan to attend.

2. Apply for housing - you must first be accepted to the college or university in order to be put on their list for housing.
3. Apply for financial aid at the college.
4. File the FAFSA in Oct./April. – it must be received by April 15th, in order to receive Indiana money. Some colleges offer early admissions for strong students. Before you apply for early admissions be sure you check what kind of commitment you would be making.

COLLEGE VISITATION POLICY

Students are allowed to take a total of **three** days to visit colleges during their Junior or Senior years. Students must make their own arrangements with the college's office of admissions for an appointment. After the appointment is made the student must get a Field Trip form from the Attendance Office or the Counseling Center, and have each teacher, plus a parent and their counselor, sign the form. The form must be turned in to the Attendance Office at least **two** days before the visit. The student **must** give the attendance office a written statement from the college confirming the visit in order to have the absence excused. Otherwise the absence will be unexcused. This written statement should be given to the Attendance Office the day after the visit. **No college visit will be approved during the last week of a nine weeks, during final exams, or after the first Friday in May, unless initiated by the college for testing/registration purposes.** **EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY MAY BE APPROVED ONLY BY AN ADMINISTRATOR.**

Many colleges visit New Castle High School during the school day. You will need to sign up on the Counseling Bulletin Board and a pass will be sent the day of the visit from the college. Teachers may or may not honor the pass.

Scholarships

Scholarships are announced on the daily announcements and on the bulletin boards. Students must be alert and follow directions when applying for scholarships. Most applications for scholarships offered locally will be available, and due, in March. Mrs. Bimber will give the seniors local scholarship information in February.

A general scholarship application is available on the Henry County Community Foundation website, which can be accessed from the HS Guidance website. This application is used for approximately 80 local scholarships. You can save yourself time later by printing and completing this form NOW and keeping it. It can't be saved. Most local scholarship applications require a letter of acceptance from a college.

FEDERAL/STATE GRANTS AND LOANS

1. Fill out the FAFSA October 1, through April 15 (not before October 1). Tax forms from the present year will be allowed.
2. The federal processor must receive the FAFSA by April 15, in order to receive Indiana money. Some colleges require it to be sent earlier. Check your college catalogues for their deadlines. **Make copies of all applications and your tax forms.**
3. After you send the FAFSA application you will receive the SAR report. Check to be sure that all items on it are correct
4. Re-apply for financial aid each year you are in college through the college's financial aid office.
5. The phone number for the State Student Assistance Commission (SSACI), which administers scholarships, grants, and loans from the State of Indiana, is 317-232-2350.

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If you decide to take the SAT this Fall, we urge you to take it in October.

Twenty First Century Scholars and students on Free/Reduced lunch may get their SAT or ACT fee waived. See your counselor for details.

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY FOR COLLEGE

See your counselor for details on eligibility requirements. The NCAA Eligibility Form is available on their website: www.eligibilitycenter.org. You must send your SAT/ACT results directly to the Eligibility Center. NAIA schools also have a registration website for athletes. Their website is www.PlayNAIA.org.