

# Senior Newsletter

December 2022



- Students that qualify for free & reduced lunch can pick up a Fee Waiver for the SAT & ACT tests in the Counselors' Office.
- **Remember to contact the college or university you are planning to attend to check on TSI requirements.**
- Important- Senior Class Group Pictures- January 6th
- **Don't Forget- Senior Cap & Gown/tux & drape photos on January 10th**
- Application Deadlines to remember:
  - Rice- Regular Admission: 1/4/2023
  - Southern Methodist University- Regular Admission: 1/15/2023
  - TCU- Regular Admission: 2/1/2023
  - Baylor- Regular Admission: 2/1/2023

## **SAT Dates**

\*\*Cost- \$60

- ☑ 3/11; register by 2/10, late by 2/28
- ☑ 5/6; register by 4/7, late by 4/25
- ☑ 6/3; register by 5/4, late by 5/23

Register for a test online at

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

## **ACT Dates**

\*\*Cost- \$63, \$88 with writing

- ☑ 2/11; register by 1/6, late by 1/20
- ☑ 4/15; register by 3/10, late by 3/24
- ☑ 6/10; register by 5/5, late by 5/19
- ☑ 7/15; register by 6/16, late by 6/23

Register for a test online at

[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

## Scholarships/Loans Available

☞ Texas State Assured Scholarships are available at <https://www.finaid.txst.edu/scholarships/freshman/comp.html>. There are many scholarships available with varying deadlines. The competitive scholarships deadline has been extended to 12/15/22.

☞ The GE-Ronald Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program is accepting applications till 1/5/23. Applications can be found at <https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/scholarship-programs/ge-reagan-foundation-scholarship-program/>.

☞ Texas Farm Credit will award scholarships for seniors who are involved in FFA or 4-H. Access the application at <https://www.texasfcs.com/about-us/scholarship-form>. The deadline is 1/15/23.

☞ McDonald's HACER Scholarships are available at <https://www.mcdonalds.com/us/en-us/community/hacer/eligibility-and-requirements.html>.

☞ The National Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship deadline is 1/15/23 Please visit their website at <https://www.gwcf.org/scholarship>.

☞ Baylor University awards scholarships through the Carr P. Collins Scholars Program to students have demonstrated leadership through service. To see if you qualify for this scholarship & to access the application, go to [www.baylor.edu/admissions/CarrPCollins](http://www.baylor.edu/admissions/CarrPCollins). The deadline is 1/31/23.

☞ The Discover Scholarship is available at <https://www.discover.com/student-loans/scholarships/award.html>. The deadline to apply is 1/31/23. They will select 12 students to receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

☞ The Texas Student Housing Scholarship Application can be found at <http://www.texasstudenthousing.net/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Application-Form-for-HS-Grads-23-24-Final-Fillable.pdf>. The deadline to apply is 1/31/23.

☞ St. Edward's University has a few academic scholarships available. The deadlines are 2/1/23. For more information go to <https://www.stedwards.edu/admission-financial-aid/undergraduate/new-freshmen/scholarships>.

☞ The Sam Houston Electric Cooperative Scholarship is available. The deadline is 2/3/23. Recipients must be a graduating high school senior whose parents/legal guardians are active members of Sam Houston Electric Cooperative, Inc.. You can access the application here <https://www.samhouston.net/media/Scholarship-application-for-2023.pdf>. We also have printed copies of this application in our office.

☞ The Vegetarian Resource Group Scholarship is available online at <http://www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm>. The deadline is 2/20/23.

☞ The BBB Consumer Education Foundation of SETX will award \$2,500 scholarships to local seniors. Go to <https://www.bbb.org/local/0845/setx-student-scholarships/apply> for the application; the deadline is 3/10/23.

☞ The UNCF has LOTS of scholarship opportunities at [https://scholarships.uncf.org/?\\_ga=1.155172408.145494473.1476734026](https://scholarships.uncf.org/?_ga=1.155172408.145494473.1476734026). The deadlines vary per scholarship.

☞ Frost Bank - Zero Interest Student Loan program- applicants may contact their office after November 1st to request an application packet. Completed packets are accepted by them 1/1/23-2/28/23. You can reach them at (409) 770-5665.

## What is a student portfolio?

A portfolio is:

- Selective
- Reflective
- Collaborative
- Information that shows development.

A portfolio is not a project, it is an ongoing process.

- Develop your portfolio by selecting entries that show development of academic and vocational skills.
- Your portfolio should include academic and vocational areas.

## What items go into a portfolio?

- Resume
- Biography Information
- Career Goals
- Research Projects
- Extra-curricular Activities
- Vocational Experience
- Vocational Competencies
- Pictures of Projects
- Awesome Tests
- Letters of Recommendation
- Awards

## How can a portfolio be used?

- Post-Secondary Education
- Recruitment
- Employers
- Job Interviews
- Open House
- Mentors
- Career Days
- Promote Vocational Programs
- Co-op Jobs

## How to get Transcripts

- The easiest way to request a transcript is to email our assistant Tracy Coates at [tracycoates@hjisd.net](mailto:tracycoates@hjisd.net).
- You can also request transcripts in the Counselors' Office. Fill out the form & place it in the basket on the black bookshelf.
- Each paper transcript cost \$2. You **MUST** pay for these **BEFORE** you order them.
- Electronic transcripts are free. We can send electronic transcripts to **MOST** colleges in Texas.
- Mrs. Coates, our assistant, handles **ALL** transcript requests.

## Helpful Links

<https://www.bls.gov/>

<https://studentaid.gov/>

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

<https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>

<https://www.applytexas.org/>



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