



### **SENIOR TASKS (12)**

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- You should be well along your task of completing and submitting college applications. Remember, if you submit an application over the internet, let Mr. Grady know so that your transcript and other documents can be sent.
- Students interested in participating in Division I or Division II athletics should register with the NCAA clearinghouse at <http://www.ncaaclearinghouse.net/>
- Students and parents should each acquire a PIN number for completing the FAFSA form. Go to the homepage of this website for the link.
- Refer to the timeline and college admission process handout you received in September.
- When questions arise, get accurate information by seeing Mr. Grady.

### **JUNIOR TASKS (11)**

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- Remember, your primary task is to continue to achieve academically. Your 11th grade year is the most important one-third of the transcript that colleges and scholarship organizations will use in evaluating your credentials next year.
- Decide when you will take the ACT test. In general, you should wait until you are well along in Algebra II before taking this assessment. If you are taking Algebra II this semester, you may want to consider the February test date. The remaining test dates and registration deadlines are listed below.
- Determine if you should take the optional writing portion of the ACT test. Your guidance counselor can help you in this regard.
- Continue to explore career and college options using the links on the guidance website. OCIS is a particularly useful site. If you have misplaced the Shelby High School username and password, stop in the guidance office. (We are not permitted to post them on our website.)
- When questions arise, get accurate information by seeing Mr. Grady

### **REMAINING ACT TEST DATES (10,11,12)**

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**December 9, 2006** Late registration deadline is November 16, 2006.

**February 10, 2007** Regular registration deadline is January 5, 2007.

**April 14, 2007** Regular registration deadline is March 9, 2007. (SHS spring break is April 6-15)

**June 9, 2007** Regular registration deadline is May 4, 2007.

### **TEST RESULTS (10,11,12)**

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Students who took the PSAT or PLAN test will receive their results during an informative meeting with the counselors in December.

### **ASVAB TEST (11,12)**

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The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is a career assessment that will provide pertinent information to test takers regarding personal abilities as it relates to careers. We will administer this test on December 6 during 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> blocks. There is no charge for this assessment. The first 30 juniors or seniors who sign up in the guidance office will be tested.

### **SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE (12)**

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In addition to scholarships listed here, you may utilize other resources for finding information regarding local scholarships. OCIS (link on guidance website) provides an excellent financial aid sort feature. Our username and password is printed on the timeline you received in September.



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### **BIG 33 SCHOLARSHIPS**

This scholarship opportunity is open to any high school senior in Ohio or Pennsylvania who has attained a 2.0 GPA for the previous two academic years (grades 10 and 11). Applicants are evaluated on academics, service, need, leadership, obstacles overcome, special talents and unique endeavors. Scholarship information is available at <http://www.big33.org/> . Deadline is February 1, 2007

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### **OHIO NEWSPAPERS FOUNDATION MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The Ohio Newspapers Foundation will award three \$1,500 scholarships, one each to a minority high school senior who plans to pursue a newspaper journalism career. Applications and information are available in the guidance office or at <http://www.ohionews.org/> . Deadline is March 31, 2007.

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### **CLARA ABBOTT FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

Do you have a parent who works for Abbott? If so, you may be eligible for a scholarship from The Clara Abbott Foundation. Scholarships are awarded based solely on financial need. Call 1-866-754-1333 or visit <http://clara.abbott.com/us/providingfor/scholarship/> for more information. Deadline is March 15, 2007.

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### **ELKS MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

The Elks National Foundation awards more than two million dollars annually in college scholarshipsto 500 high school seniors nationwide, through the Most Valuable Student contests. The largest award is \$60,000. Recipients are at or near the top of their class; active in school and community activities; recognized as leaders by their peers; and need financial assistance to attend college. Applications are available at <http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/> . Deadline is January 12, 2007.

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**NEXT UPDATE: DECEMBER 15, 2007**

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