

GUIDANCE UPDATE (January 24, 2012)

Financial Aid notes:

- DO YOU KNOW the FAFSA priority filing deadline for your colleges? Many universities have a deadline of February 15. It is easier to complete the FAFSA after tax documents have been completed, but it is possible to file using estimates.
- Materials from the financial aid meeting are available in the library.
- There is a link to the FAFSA website from the guidance home page: www.shelbyk12.org/shs/guidance. By accessing the FAFSA from this link, you can ensure that you go to www.fafsa.ed.gov instead of a similar website that will charge you money. You will recall the first word in FAFSA is....

PHASE TWO of the local scholarship program will begin with a homeroom meeting on Friday, February 10. Some of you learned, during Phase One of the Local Scholarship Process, that there is wisdom in not procrastinating.

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION SCHOLARSHIPS—The DAR offers a number of national scholarships. Very specific information on the application process can be found at: http://www.dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm. Additionally, the Jared Mansfield Chapter has a scholarship for students who will be attending OSU-Mansfield, NCSC or the Dwight Schar College of Nursing (Ashland University). Information on that scholarship is in the guidance office and the library.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI SCHOLARS PROGRAM—Students intending to attend OSU who have at least a 25 ACT and are ranked in the top 15% can apply for this scholarship. I passed out application packages to students who met the requirements. If you were missed see me. Please return completed applications to me this week.

WILLIAM D. SQUIRES EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION—Fifteen renewable scholarships are offered to Ohio seniors. Eligibility is primarily based upon financial need. Your EFC must be under 7,999, and you must have a minimum 3.2 cumulative GPA. Application and information can be found at www.wmdsquiresfoundation.org.

AAA SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM—Former School Safety Patrol members can apply for this \$1000 scholarship open to students in a limited number of counties including Richland and Crawford Counties. Applications can be found at www.aaa.com or can be picked up in the guidance office. Deadline is April 16, 2012.

BEST BUY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM—Students need solid grades plus community service or work experience for the 1200 scholarships valued at \$1,000 each. Apply online at www.at15.com or www.bestbuy-communityrelations.com. Deadline is February 15, 2012.