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Numbers indicate article of particular interest to parents and students of the indicated grade(s).

ACADEMIC LETTERS (9,10,11,12)

Academic letters were awarded on September 21 to those students who earned a yearly GPA of 3.9 or above for the 2003-2004 school year. Seventy-six students earned this distinction and were invited to the recognition breakfast. Final grades earned in your courses this year will be used to determine those students who will be recognized next September.

RED AND GRAY CARDS (9,10,11,12)

Students and parents should refer to page 10 of their planner/handbook regarding criteria for qualifying for a Red or Gray Card. These cards will have considerable benefits next quarter and are based on your behavior, attendance and grades this quarter.

CAREER FOCUS: RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS (9,10,11,12)

If you ever had an x-ray, other than a dental x-ray, chances are it was done by a radiologic technologist. Radiologic technologists use imaging devices to help doctors diagnose medical conditions. There is a great deal of patient contact in this profession, so if you enjoy dealing with people in a health care setting, you may want to consider this career. Radiologic technologists work in private practices, clinics and hospitals. Wages range from \$15.00 to \$23.00 per hour in this growing profession. Generally, an associate's degree is required to become a radiologic technologist although bachelor's degree programs are becoming more prevalent. North Central State College offers a two-year degree in radiological science. Ohio State University has a four-year bachelor's degree program. Find out more through OCIS.

COLLEGE SPOTLIGHT: EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY (9,10,11,12)

A major attraction of Eastern Michigan University is the fact that Ohio students pay in-state tuition rates. For 2004-2005 the in-state tuition and fee cost is \$5640. This is actually less expensive than the in-state tuition rate at most state supported schools in Ohio. Ypsilanti, Michigan, the home of EMU is about 150 miles from Shelby. EMU has an undergraduate enrollment of 18,660 with average ACT score of 21. An extensive number of undergraduate programs are offered through the five colleges that make up the university. The Eagles compete in NCAA Division I and are part of the Mid-American Conference. One Shelby graduate has attended EMU in the past three years. Visit Eastern's web site at www.emich.edu or access OCIS through the Shelby High School Guidance website to learn more.

COLLEGE SPOTLIGHT: CAPITAL UNIVERSITY (9,10,11,12)

As you might suspect, Capital University is located near our state capital of Columbus in the suburb of Bexley. The appeal of a small university in a suburban setting is a consideration for Shelby Students. One can experience the opportunities of a large city in a small campus environment. This Lutheran-affiliated university has an undergraduate enrollment of 2,049 with an average ACT score of 23 (2003 incoming class). More than 50 majors are offered in the five colleges and schools that make up the university. The Crusaders compete in the NCAA Division III, Ohio Athletic Conference. Four students from the past three years' Shelby classes have attended Capital University. Find out more through our website or OCIS.

PSAT/NMSQT (10,11)

The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test will be administered at Shelby High School during 1st and 2nd blocks on Wednesday, October 13. Besides acting as a pre-SAT test, this assessment also serves as a qualifying test for some scholarships (see next article). Only current 11th graders can qualify for scholarships through this test. Current 10th graders may take the test as a "practice" for your 11th grade year.

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The cost for the test is \$11.00. Sign-up and more information is available in the guidance office. Discuss with your counselor whether you should take advantage of this opportunity.

PPG INDUSTRIES FOUNDATION COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (11)

This scholarship will be awarded in March 2006 to a student graduating that year from area high schools. Applicants must take the PSAT/NMSQT test in October for the initial screening of applicants. Scholarship application forms are available in the guidance office.

"THERE OUGHT TO BE A LAW" ESSAY CONTEST (9,10,11,12)

The Ohio State Bar Association sponsors this essay contest in three divisions (grades 7 and 8, grades 9 and 10, grades 11 and 12). Savings bonds ranging up to \$600 will be awarded to state level winners. If you are interested in this opportunity, see one of the guidance counselors. One student entry per division from Shelby will be forwarded to the OSBA.

COLLEGE REPS AT SHS (11,12)

The following colleges/universities will have a representative visiting Shelby according to the schedule below. Sign-up is in the guidance office.

BLUFFTON UNIVERISTY	WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 22ND	10:30
WALSH UNIVERSITY	WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 22ND	12:00
OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY	THURSDAY, SEPT. 23RD	8:00
BOWLING GREEN UNIVERSITY	THURSDAY, SEPT. 23RD	11:30
OTTERBEIN COLLEGE	MONDAY, SEPT. 27TH	9:30
OHIO UNIVERSITY	TUESDAY, SEPT. 28TH	11:00
MARIETTA COLLEGE	WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 29TH	10:00
UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO	THURSDAY, SEPT. 30TH	1:00
UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY	MONDAY, OCT. 4TH	10:00
HEIDELBERG COLLEGE	MONDAY, OCT. 11TH	9:00
MIAMI UNIVERSITY	MONDAY, OCT. 11TH	1:00
ASHLAND UNIVERSITY	TUESDAY, OCT. 12TH	8:00
CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY	TUESDAY, OCT. 12TH	2:00
OHIO STATE SCHOOL OF COSMETOLOGY	FRIDAY, OCT. 15TH	8:00
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY	FRIDAY, OCT. 15TH	9:00
BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE	MONDAY, OCT. 18TH	2:00
WILMINGTON COLLEGE	TUESDAY, OCT. 26TH	11:30
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI	MONDAY, NOV. 1ST	8:15
TIFFIN UNIVERSITY	MONDAY, NOV. 1ST	1:00

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE (12)

MENSA EDUCATION AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

A number of scholarships ranging from \$300-\$2000 will be awarded based on an essay of not more than 550 words. Information and application can be picked up in the guidance office or at

<http://merf.us.mensa.org/scholarships/zipfinderlive.php>. Postmark deadline is January 15, 2005.

SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS (SAE) ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A number of corporate-sponsored scholarships ranging from \$1000-\$10,000 and university sponsored scholarships ranging from \$400 to full tuition are available to seniors intending to earn a degree in engineering or a related science (math, chemistry, physics, biology, technologies, computer science). Applications and information are available in the guidance office or at <http://www.sae.org/students/engschlr.htm>. Deadline for application is December 1, 2004.

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COCA-COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation awards 250 merit-based scholarships in \$4000 and \$20,000 amounts. Recipients are well-rounded individuals with highly developed interests in their community. Applicants are evaluated on demonstrated leadership, commitment to community, academic achievement and employment. The application is available at <http://www.coca-colascholars.org>. You will most likely wish to consult with your guidance counselor for certain required information. Applications must be received before the midnight October 31 deadline.

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