



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

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- ❖ You should complete the FAFSA (on-line is preferable) during February. Check with your counselor or college to find out FAFSA priority deadlines for your particular college(s).
- ❖ If you and your parents missed the financial aid meeting, get your questions answered by Mrs. Dixon, Mr. Grady or your college financial aid office.
- ❖ Financial aid award letters are typically sent by colleges in March and April. This may be a factor in your final decision regarding where you will attend.
- ❖ Any deposit you make to a college/university should be refundable until May 1. In effect, you have until May 1 to make a final decision.
- ❖ You will note that some of the scholarships listed below are more limited geographically than many previous national scholarships. Hence, based on numbers, your opportunity to be a recipient if you are qualified is increased.
- ❖ Local scholarship information will be distributed to seniors during a meeting on Friday, February 17 at the beginning of second block. PCTC students will receive this information during a meeting at Pioneer.

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

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- ❖ Take the ACT test in April or June. The regular registration deadline for the April 8 test date is March 3. Realize that April 8 is the Saturday that begins your spring break.
- ❖ ACTive Prep software to help prepare for the ACT test is available in the library.
- ❖ In selecting courses for your senior year, remember your goals should include preparing yourself for college studies, expanding your knowledge, and enhancing your transcript. "Taking it easy my senior year", is not among the goals.

### **OHIO GRADUATION TESTS (10, 11)**

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All 10th graders and those 11th graders who still must pass part of the OGT test will be tested during the week of March 13.

### **POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT OPTION PROGRAM (9, 10, 11)**

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Students who are interested in the post-secondary enrollment option program must attend a meeting along with a parent on Monday, March 6 at 7 P.M. in the Little Theater.

### **ASHLAND UNIVERSITY TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM (11)**

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Nominated juniors and their parents will be recognized as AU Teacher Education Scholars during the Teacher Education Scholars Seminar, which will be held on April 22, 2006. If you wish to be nominated for this program, see Mrs. Dixon, Mr. Grady or Mr. Burgess. Deadline is March 3, 2006.

### **EXPLORE ENGINEERING AT UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON (11, 12)**

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This is a hands-on event for high school juniors and seniors. Students will have the opportunity to visit UD's laboratories in chemical engineering, civil and environmental engineering, electrical and computer engineering, mechanical and aerospace engineering, and in engineering technology. Students can register at <http://engineering.udayton.edu/events/> for this February 25, 2006 event. Deadline is February 13, 2006.



### SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE (12)

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#### **RICHLAND COUNTY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

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The Richland County Foundation has numerous scholarship opportunities open only to Richland County students. Applicants must have a 2.5 GPA, maintain a primary residence in Richland County, and demonstrate financial need. Students must file the FAFSA form, since a Student Aid Report (SAR) needs to be sent along with the application. Information and applications are available in the guidance office or at <http://refoundation.org/>. A link is available on the guidance website. Deadline is May 1, 2006

#### **INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS**

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A \$500 scholarship will be awarded by the Ashland chapter of this organization. The scholarship will be presented to a High School Senior who intends to further their education in the Business Field at a recognized college or technical college. Applications are available in the guidance office. Deadline is March 15, 2006.

#### **OHIO ASSOCIATION OF CAREER COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS**

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The Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools through some of its member colleges and schools are making scholarships available to cover full tuition, half tuition and specific amount programs. Member colleges and schools are "career" schools such as some ITT locations and Brown Mackie College locations. Applications are available in the guidance office. Deadline is March 31.

#### **BEST BUY SCHOLARSHIP**

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If you're a graduating high school senior who's been dedicated to helping your community, you may apply at [www.bestbuy.com/scholarships](http://www.bestbuy.com/scholarships). Deadline is February 15, 2006.

#### **SAMMY SCHOLARSHIPS**

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America's Milk Processors and USA Today sponsor this award program. Outstanding scholar athletes in grade 12 are eligible for one of 25 scholarships valued at \$7,500. Academic performance, athletic excellence, leadership, community service and milk experience are the criteria used. Applications will only be accepted online at [www.whymilk.com](http://www.whymilk.com) until March 3, 2006.

#### **HRH FAMILY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

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This scholarship is open to students attending schools in one of five counties including Richland County, Ohio. One of Shelby's graduates from 2005 was the recipient of this renewable scholarship for up to \$7,500 per year. The founders of this program created it to meet the needs of the many good, but not outstanding students with heavy financial need. You can apply on-line at [www.scholarshipadministrators.net](http://www.scholarshipadministrators.net) and choose option 2 to apply for an application identification number. Once you have this number you will be prompted to login using the access key of the program for which you will apply. Further information is available in the guidance office. Application deadline is April 1, 2006.

#### **JARED MANSFIELD CHAPTER, DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION SCHOLARSHIP**

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This local chapter will award one \$300 scholarship for students who will be attending OSU-Mansfield or NCSC. Information is available in the guidance office. Deadline is April 15, 2006



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### **J.D. FREER/DAWSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

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This renewable \$2,500 scholarship is open to students who plan to enter the area or field of study in Accounting, Business Administration, Actuarial Science, Economics, Finance, Insurance or Investments. A 1000 word essay and 100 word summary is required. This scholarship is only open to students attending high school in a limited number of counties including Richland County, Ohio. Applications and information are available in the guidance office or at **[www.DawsonCompanies.com](http://www.DawsonCompanies.com)**. Deadline is April 30, 2006.

### **OHIO ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE REGISTRARS AND ADMISSIONS OFFICERS**

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Six non-renewable \$500 leadership and service scholarships for graduating seniors starting college next fall at an Ohio college/university will be awarded. The rather extensive application is available in the guidance office or at **[www.oacrao.ohiou.edu](http://www.oacrao.ohiou.edu)**. Deadline is February 21, 2006.

### **WILLIAM D. SQUIRES EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC SCHOLARSHIP**

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This scholarship is offered only to seniors in Ohio, is \$3,000 per year and renewable. Applicants must have a specific career goal, be highly motivated, and have a burning desire to reach their career goal. Additionally students must demonstrate financial need by having an EFC of under \$10,000. The eight page application is available in the guidance office, or at **[www.wmd-squires-foundation.org](http://www.wmd-squires-foundation.org)**. Deadline is April 5, 2006.

### **OHIO WAR ORPHANS SCHOLARSHIP**

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Children of disabled or deceased war veterans and children of persons declared prisoners of war or missing in action in Southeast Asia between the ages of 16 and 20 and attending an Ohio school, college or university are eligible. Applications are available in the guidance office. Deadline is July 1, 2006.

### **KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN SCHOLARSHIP**

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KFC is looking for outstanding seniors with financial need and entrepreneurial spirit to qualify for the first-ever Colonel's Scholars program. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.75 or higher and plan to attend a public, in-state college or university in pursuit of a bachelor's degree. The online application will be available from February 15 to March 31, 2006 at **[www.kfcscholars.org](http://www.kfcscholars.org)**.

### **CLEVELAND REGIONAL CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND SCIENCES SCHOLARSHIP**

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The organization that brings you the Emmy awards will be offering three \$2,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors from Northern Ohio and parts of Indiana and Pennsylvania. Seniors must plan to attend a four-year college and intend to pursue a career in television or areas related to television broadcasting. Applications are available in the guidance office. Deadline is March 31, 2006.

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