

Scappoose High School COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE

>>>>>> April 25, 2017 <<<<<<

Welcome to the eighth edition of Scappoose High School's **COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE**! The **COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE** is a monthly newsletter, which includes upcoming events, SAT/ACT testing dates, college prep information, financial aid information, an updated scholarship list, and other helpful post-secondary tips and recommendations. It contains valuable information for students that plan to attend any two- or four- year college, trade/vocational school, apprenticeship program, or enlist in the military. Paper copies of the **COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE** will be available for students in the counseling office and on the Counseling Bulletin Board located in senior hall. Electronic copies will be available on Scappoose High School's Counseling Website (www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com) or students/parents may request an emailed copy (please email wscott@scappoose.k12.or.us).

April's COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE focuses on the topics of COLLEGE DECISION DAY, COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS, AND AP EXAMS.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DATE	EVENT/TIME/LOCATION
4/24-4/29	AP Preregistration
4/29	Brian's Relay, 6 PM-midnight, SHS Track
5/1	College Decision Day
5/3	Arena Scheduling for spring J-Term
5/5	AP US History Exam, 7:30 AM, Auditorium
5/6	SHS Clothing Swap, 10AM-1PM, S7
5/9	AP Calculus Exam, 7:30 AM, Auditorium
5/10	AP English Language Exam, 7:30 AM, Auditorium
5/11	AP Statistics, 11:30 AM, Auditorium
5/24-5/26	Finals
5/29	No School, Memorial Day
6/5	Senior Award Night, 6:30 PM, Auditorium
6/7	Academic Clearance for Seniors, 4 PM
6/10	Graduation, 1 PM
6/22	Last Day of School

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SAT/ACT REMINDER:

Scappoose High School CEEB #: 381-060

SAT:

SAT TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
May 6	April 7
June 3	May 9 (SHS not a test center for
	June 3 SAT)

ACT:

ACT TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	
June 10	May 5	

Registration:

http://sat.collegeboard.org/register

Cost: \$57 w/ essay

Practice:

https://khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat

Registration:

www.actstudent.org

Cost: \$58.50 (with writing)

Practice:

www.actstudent.org/testprep/

WEBSITES/RESOURCES:

RESOURCE	LINK	WHAT?
Naviance	https://connection.naviance.com/scappoose	Research college & career options,
		apply for scholarships, track admission status, request transcripts, etc.
FAFSA Website	www.fafsa.ed.gov	Apply for Financial Aid
Oregon Goes to	http://oregongoestocollege.org	College Information
College		
SHS Counseling	www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.	Up-to-date info from
Website	weebly.com	SHS's counseling office
Remind Text	Text @scap2017, @scap2018, @scap2019,	Get text updates for events
Updates	or @scap2020 to 81010	specific to your grade

COLLEGE DECISIONS DAY:

May 1st is **National Decision Day**, the deadline for most seniors to pick their college. For many seniors, this is a very exciting and big decision! Scappoose High School wants to help our seniors celebrate. We are encouraging seniors to wear college swag (sweatshirts, t-shirts, etc) from the college they plan to attend and/or bring their college acceptance letter to school. The counseling department will take pictures of seniors and make a bulletin board with all of our student's college choices!

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS:

College Entrance Exams are tests designed to measure student's skill and help colleges evaluate how ready a student is for college-level work. The **SAT** and **ACT** are both accepted by nearly every college and university in the US, with most four-year institutions requiring a college entrance exam score.

Most students take the exam twice- once in the spring of junior year and once at the beginning of senior year. Students can take either the SAT or ACT. Although many students take both exams, they are not required to do so.

Student entrance exam preferences vary. A student that is successful with one exam, will likely be successful with the other. However, there are many differences between the SAT and ACT in structure, content, and timing. It is recommended that students do their research and take both practice exams to determine their preference.

Students should plan to study over the course of a year leading up to the exam and should invest at least 40 hours into studying. Many private organizations offer online or classroom preparation for a fee. The CollegeBoard and ACT provide official study guides, online test prep, questions of the day, and testing tips on their websites. The Khan Academy offers free SAT test prep in collaboration with CollegeBoard, including full length practice tests.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES:

There are a variety of summer programs in Oregon that will engage students, build leadership skills, and explore careers. Visit http://oregongearup.org/feature-story/summer-programs-2017 for a full list of opportunities:

CAREER EXPLORATION:

The State of Oregon Employment Department provides excellent career planning, job search information, and resource material at www.qualityinfo.org

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS:

Scappoose High School offers four **Advanced Placement (AP) Courses**. These courses include AP US History, AP Calculus, AP English Language, and AP Statistics. AP courses are rigorous, college-level academic experiences that challenge and prepare students for college.

By participating in AP classes, students have the opportunity to earn college credit, earn advanced placement in college, and stand out in the college admission process. Individual colleges and universities grant course credit and placement. Students will need to contact their desired college(s) to find out how their AP Exam scores are applied.

Each May, students get the opportunity to take AP Exam(s). Each AP Exam costs \$63. Fee waivers are available for students on free and reduced lunch. In July, students will receive their exam score reported on a 5-point scale: 5= extremely well qualified, 4= well qualified, 3= qualified, 2= possibly qualified, and 1= no recommendation. For more details visit apscore.org Students will need a College Board account www.collegeboard.org/register to access their scores.

The AP Exams are only offered on specified dates and times. Students should arrive on testing day at 7:30 AM, so the exam can begin promptly at 8 AM.

2017 AP EXAM INFORMATION:

DATE	TIME	EXAM	EXAM
			LOCATION
Friday, 5/5	7:30 AM	AP US History	Auditorium
Tuesday, 5/9	7:30 AM	AP Calculus	Auditorium
Wednesday, 5/10	7:30 AM	AP English Language	Auditorium
Thursday, 5/11	11:30 AM	AP Statistics	Auditorium

Students are permitted to bring several No. 2 pencils, pens with black or dark blue ink, up to two approved calculators (AP Calculus). Students may NOT bring electronic equipment, books, scratch paper, watches that beep or have an alarm, computers, reference guides, clothing with subject-related information, or food/drink. If you have any questions about exam day procedures, please speak to Ms. Scott or Ms. Steinke, Scappoose High School's AP Coordinators.

Visit <u>www.collegeboard.org/apstudents</u> for detailed information about AP courses and exams. You will find course and exam descriptions, sample-response questions and scoring guidelines, study skills and test-taking tips, and more.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are listed by due date. This is **NOT** an exhaustive list of scholarships.

All scholarship information listed below can be found on Naviance and on Scappoose High School's counseling website: http://scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com/scholarships.html

SCHOLARSHIP KEY		
(SHS)-	only open to SHS students	
(C)-	college specific scholarship	
(L)-	local scholarship	
(N)-	national scholarship	
(NW)-	open to students in Pacific NW	
(O)-	open to Oregon students	
* _	newly listed scholarship	

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH SITES:

- 1. http://oregongearup.org/calendar/scholarship
- 2. http://oregongoestocollege.org/ccc/students/scholarships
- 3. https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search
- 4. http://www.fastweb.com

APRIL:

POINTE PEST CONTROL SCHOLARSHIP (O): Pointe Pest Control in Oregon is offering a \$750 scholarship to a graduating senior or college freshman from Oregon. The scholarship is judged primarily on need (SAR report required) and a minimum 3.0 GPA required. For more information visit http://pointepest.com/oregon-scholarship-application/ Due April 29.

*SAUVIE ISLAND VOLUNTEER FIRE SCHOLARSHIP (L): The Sauvie Island Volunteer Fire Association Scholarship supports individuals who plan to pursue college or post-secondary higher education in the medical or fire related career fields. With proceeds from the annual July 4th fundraiser, the Association is fortunate to be able to provide this annual scholarship opportunity. Scholarships up tp \$1,000 per person may be awarded as funds are available. You must be an island resident OR recommended in writing by two island residents from separate households. The award must support studies/training in the medical or fire related career fields. All completed application materials must be received by the Sauvie Island Volunteer Firefighters by 5 PM on April 30.

MAY:

SCAPPOOSE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP (SHS): The Scappoose Alumni Scholarship is offering a \$600 scholarship to a SHS senior planning on attending a trade school or college. To be eligible, please return application and two letters of recommendation to the counseling office. The deadline is **May 1**.

SCAPPOOSE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (SHS): Are one of your parents a member of the Scappoose Education Association? If so, apply for a \$500 scholarship. Students will be evaluated on academics, character, activities, and their essay. Application must be received by **May 1.**

SCAPPOOSE FEDERATION OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES (SHS): Are one of your parents a members of the Scappoose Federation of Classified Employees? Apply for the scholarship! Applications are due by 3 PM to the counseling office on **May 1**.

*ROTARY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION GRANT (SHS): To assist a Scappoose, Rainier, and St. Helens student (one \$1,500 grant for each school district) with funding to attend or continue attendance in a vocational institution or school. Grants are for vocational certificates and degrees only. Applications are due to the counseling office by May 1.

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY- 4 YEARS FREE (C): PSU covers tuition and fees for income-eligible Oregon freshmen starting fall 2017. Eligible students include: current resident of Oregon, graduate of an Oregon high school, 3.4 cumulative unweighted GPA, eligible for federal Pell grant, and enroll full-time (15 credits) as a first-year freshman for fall 2017 term. Apply to PSU by **May 1** and submit FAFSA by February 1 (list PSU FAFSA code 003216) and accept all state and federal grants awarded. Visit www.pdx.edu/four-years-free

<u>DAVID HELLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (L):</u> David Heller was 17 years old when he died on November 23, 2005 as a result of an enlarged heart. David grew up in Scappoose attending school there through his freshman year. He was a child of many dreams and he lived and worked passionately to fulfill them. Apply at http://www.davidhellerfoundation.org/scholarships/ Scholarship application must be post marked no later than **May 10.**

*GARY HUDSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (SHS): Gary Hudson was killed in a plane crash in Alaska on May 21, 2004 after completing a successful brown bear hunt, in which he was the guide. Mr. Hudson was a big fan of wrestling and a \$1,000 scholarship has been set up in his memory for a Scappoose High School senior that participated in the wrestling program. Submit completed application to Brenda Lohman in the athletic office by May 12.

*RALPH PAINTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (L): The Ralph Painter Jr. Memorial Scholarship is for Columbia County high school seniors that are or have participated in cross-country and/or track. Students must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA. Write an essay on peer leadership in high school athletics (300 word maximum). Mail your application to: The Ralph Painter Jr. Memorial Scholarship, 56512 Hill St., Warren, OR 97051. Applications must be received by May 12.

*COLUMBIA COUNTY DAIRY WOMEN SCHOLARSHIP (L): The Columbia County Dairy Women will be awarding 2 scholarships to graduate high school seniors who live in Columbia County (\$500 & \$700). The scholarship can be used to further a student's education at a vocational or technical school, community college, or 4-year university. Both boys and girls are encouraged to apply. Application and essay must be submitted to Columbia County Dairy Women, C/O Diane Larson, 56880 Old Portland Rd, Portland, OR 97053 by May 15.

*LOWER COLUMBIA HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (L): LCHRMA will award a scholarship of up to \$1,000 to graduating high school students residing in Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook or Pacific (WA) county who will be pursuing a career in business, especially those interested in the Human Resource industry. Return completed application with submission by May 15 to: Ian Wiggins, LCHRMA President, 100 Columbia Ave, Astoria, OR 97103.

*SHOESTRING COMMUNITY PLAYERS/CHERI ADAMS THEATER ARTS

SCHOLARSHIP (L): The Shoestring Community Players' annual scholarship is intended to assist graduates that plan to major or minor in theater or a related field at a 2 or 4 year accredited college, university or conservatory. The completed application form with theatrical history, essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation must be received no later than **May 15**. Send completed application to: SSCP, PO Box 481, St. Helens, OR 97051.

MACTARNAHAN SCHOLARSHIP (O): The Oregon Sports Hall of Fame and Museum awards up to six \$3,000 scholarships to Oregon high school seniors. Recipients are chosen on the basis of financial need, athletic accomplishment, academic achievement and community involvement. Funds must be used at an institution of higher education within Oregon. Due May 15.

*AMERICAN LEGION POST 42/MICHAEL SCHMIT & PAUL VANCE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (L): Individual scholarship grants up to \$500 may be made annually from scholarship funds to provide financial assistance to the most deserving application that is a child, a step child of at least 5 grandchild or great grandshil of an honorably discharged veteran. Applications must be submitted to Commander, American Legion Post 42, PO Box 16, St. Helens, OR 97051. Scholarship is due May 16.

KIWANIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (SHS): The Kiwanis Memorial Scholarship is awarded to SHS seniors pursuing higher education (full-time course of study at a college, university, or state approved vocational school). Application due to the SHS counseling office by **May 16**.

BRIAN TINKLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (SHS): This scholarship is for members of the SHS class of 2017 who participated in football, track and field, and/or leadership, and plan to continue their education at an accredited college or university. The scholarship is a one-time award of up to \$1,000. Application is due **May 19**. Send to Brian Tinkle Memorial Scholarship, c/o 28469 Hafferman Rd, Scappoose, OR 97056.

JULY:

OREGON PROMISE (O): The Oregon Promise is a state grant that covers some or all tuition at any Oregon community college for recent high school graduates and GED recipients. You must be a recent Oregon high school graduate, enroll in an Oregon community college within 6 months of graduation, have a 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher, and be an Oregon resident at least 12 months prior to enrollment. To apply, go to OregonStudentAid.gov, create an account within the OSAC student portal, complete the Oregon Promise Application, verify your GPA in the OSAC student portal, and file your FAFSA and list at least one Oregon community college. Early notification deadline is April 1. The final deadline is July 3.

