



Scappoose High School/ COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE

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Welcome to the second 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 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) and Naviance, or students/parents may request an emailed copy (please email wscott@scappoose.k12.or.us).

November’s **COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE** focuses on the topic of **SCHOLARSHIP TIPS**. Scholarship season is just kicking off! Use the next few months wisely to increase your chances of earning free money for college.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DATE	EVENT/TIME/LOCATION
11/30	J-Term Arena Style Forecasting
12/1	Job Corp Information Session
12/5-12/10	Winter Week
12/10	Winterball, Olde School, 8-11 PM
12/14-12/16	Finals
12/19-1/2	No School- Winter Break
1/2- 1/	J-Term

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SAT/ACT REMINDER:

Scappoose High School CEEB #: 381-060

SAT:

SAT TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
January 21	December 21
March 11	February 10
May 6	April 7
June 3	May 9

Registration:

<http://sat.collegeboard.org/register>

Cost: \$57 w/ essay

Practice:

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

ACT:

ACT TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
February 11	January 13
April 8	March 3
June 10	May 5

Registration:

www.actstudent.org

Cost: \$58.50 (with writing)

Practice:

www.actstudent.org/testprep/

Scappoose High School is NOT a test center for the ACT. Please plan accordingly.

WEBSITES/RESOURCES:

RESOURCE	LINK	WHAT?
Naviance	https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=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 College	http://oregongoestocollege.org	College Information
SHS Counseling Website	www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com	Up-to-date info from SHS's counseling office
Remind Text Updates	Text @scap2017, @scap2018, @scap2019, or @scap2020 to 81010	Get text updates for events specific to your grade

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH SITES:

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

SCHOLARSHIP TIPS

Scholarship season is just kicking off! Use the next few months wisely to increase your chances of earning free money for college. Oregongoestocollege.org gives the following tips for successful scholarship applications.

The Scholarship Essay:

1. **Follow Directions!**

This simple tip is the most important one – pay attention to what is being asked of you. Answer the question asked of you, keep within page or word limits, and pay attention to any special formatting requests.

2. **Write Your Best.**

For most applications, you'll only be submitting one or two written pieces. The people who read your applications assume that what they see is the best you can do. It's your job to make sure you prove them right! Your essays should be examples of your best writing. That means it's important to follow tip #3.

3. **Proofread.**

This is good practice no matter what you're writing, but you'll want to make sure you proofread these essays extra carefully. Better yet, have a friend or trusted adult proofread for you, too. You'd be surprised at the number of applicants who write that they really want to go to Oregon State University on their application to Linfield College! Thorough proofreading can prevent these simple mistakes.

4. **Be Yourself.**

Essays are an opportunity for the admissions and scholarship committees to learn about the parts of you and your experiences that aren't captured by the "numbers" (i.e. GPA and test scores). It's your opportunity to show them what's important to you and to let your personality shine through. For example, some students wonder if it's okay to write a humorous essay. The best advice we've heard about this is "Funny essays can be great to read, but if no one's ever told you you're funny, this isn't the time to try."

5. **Remember You Have an Audience.**

Most of the time you won't meet the person who is reading your application, so it can feel like you don't have an audience. It's important to remember that you do. While it's okay to write about the things that matter to you, it's always wise to consider that you don't know the politics, religion, or personal beliefs of the person who is reading your application. Choose a topic that interests you, but be careful not to offend.

CLEAN UP YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA & EMAIL ADDRESS—When applying to scholarships (and college) it is important to put your best self forward. Take down any inappropriate or immature photos and quotes on your social media accounts and use a professional email address.

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

DECEMBER:

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY (C): Do you plan to attend Portland State University? Apply online at https://portlandstate.scholarships.ngwebsolutions.com/CMXAdmin/Cmx_Content.aspx?cpId=199 at https://portlandstate.scholarships.ngwebsolutions.com/CMXAdmin/Cmx_Content.aspx?cpId=199
All incoming freshman scholarships are due **December 1**.

JANUARY:

KAISER PERMANENTE HEALTH CARE CAREER (SHS): Dream of becoming a health care professional? Scholarships are awarded in amounts of \$2,000, \$5,000, or \$10,000 to at least one Scappoose High School senior. You must be planning to pursue an education and career in an approved human health care field. Apply online at <https://kaiser-scholarship.fluidreview.com/>
Application registration will close on **January 4** and applications are due **January 11**.

LGBTQ SCHOLARSHIPS (NW): The Pride Foundation awards scholarships to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and straight ally student leaders in the Northwest. With just one application to complete, the Pride Foundation is proud to offer over 50 different scholarships. Apply online at www.pridefoundation.org Applications are due **January 13**.

PATHWAY OREGON SCHOLARSHIP (C): Interested in attending UO? Do you have a GPA of 3.4 or higher and significant financial need (eligible for the Federal Pell Grant)? If so, apply to UO by **January 15** and complete your FAFSA by February 15. If you meet the requirements and deadlines, you will automatically be considered for Pathway Oregon, which will cover the cost of UO's tuition after all of your other financial aid packages have been applied. For more information visit <http://pathwayoregon.uoregon.edu/node/24>

FEBRUARY:

***LINFIELD COLLEGE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP (C):** Are you applying to Linfield and a child of a Linfield alum, grandchild of an alum, or a sibling of an alum? For more information visit http://scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com/uploads/2/3/9/8/23985524/linfield_college_alumni_scholarship.pdf Applications are due **February 1**.

AL FORTHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (O): The Al Forthan Memorial Scholarship is awarded to an Oregon high school senior from a family affected by alcohol or drug addiction. Affected by addiction means you have been raised by a parent or guardian who has experienced addiction or you have abused alcohol. You may access this scholarship on the SHS counseling website. Applications are due **February 6**.

***STUDENT OF INTEGRITY SCHOLARSHIP (NW)-** The Better Business Bureau Northwest Foundation offers the Student of Integrity Scholarship to recognize high school juniors and seniors who personify and communicate ethics in the real world, as demonstrated through community service, personal integrity, and academic accomplishments. A scholarship of \$10,000 will be awarded to the winning application submitted by students residing in Alaska, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Washington, or Western Wyoming. High school juniors and seniors from across the Northwest are encouraged to apply by creating a 90-second video that demonstrates how BBB helps people become smart consumers. For more information, visit <http://www.bbb.org/northwest/charities-donors/about-us/bbb-foundation/current-scholarship-campaign/2016-17-Scholarship/> Due **February 13**.

MARCH:

OFFICE OF STUDENT ACCESS & COMPLETION SCHOLARSHIP (O): One application to apply for over 450 scholarships just for Oregon residents! Visit www.osac.state.or.us to apply. Early bird deadline is **February 15** and regular deadline is **March 1**.

WESTERN OREGON UNIVERSITY (C): WOU offers numerous scholarships to talented undergraduate students. Those admitted to the university for Fall 2017 should file the FAFSA by **February 1** and submit WOU scholarship applications by **March 1**. To apply for Western Oregon University scholarships, go to wou.edu/scholarships

***GREENFIELD PEACE WRITING SCHOLARSHIP (O):** The Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility's annual Greenfield Peace Writing Scholarship is open to any 11th or 12th grade Oregon high school student. Submit an original essay, poem, or narrative work (maximum 600 words) in response to the following question: "How would you solve the public health crisis of gun violence?" Application is due by 5 PM on March 6, 2017. Visit <http://www.psr.org/chapters/oregon/events/2017-greenfield-peace-writing.html> for more information.

APRIL:

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. Deadline is **April 1**.

DAN HILGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (L): Are you interested in a two or four-year forestry program? The Dan Hilger Memorial Scholarship is awarded to Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, or Yamhill County residents that have financial need, 3.0 GPA, and are planning to pursue a career in forestry. Applications are due by *April 15* to Banks Community Foundation, P.O. Box 355, Banks, OR 97106.

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***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*.

MAY:

***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

***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. Visit http://scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com/uploads/2/3/9/8/23985524/oregon_sports_hall_mactarnahan_scholarship_application_2017.pdf for more information. Due **May 15**.

AUGUST:

KHAN LAW FIRM SCHOLARSHIP (NW): The Khan Law Firm believes firmly in the importance of education. If you have a 3.0 minimum GPA, are currently enrolled or accepted to a university in the USA, can provide an official school transcript or acceptance letter verifying enrollment, and write an essay explaining your plans for your education apply for the \$1,000 scholarship. Apply online at <http://khaninjurylaw.com/scholarship/>



