



# Scappoose High School/ COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE

>>>>>>>>> September 15, 2016 <<<<<<<<<<

Welcome to the first 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](http://www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com)) and Naviance, or students/parents may request an emailed copy (please email [wscott@scappoose.k12.or.us](mailto:wscott@scappoose.k12.or.us)).

September’s **COLLEGE & CAREER UPDATE** focuses on the topic of **FINANCIAL AID**. College is one of the biggest financial investments many make in their life. Be prepared. Know when and how to apply for financial assistance. Help make the dream of attending college a reality! Do not forget to attend *SHS’s Financial Aid Night on Monday, September 26 at 6:30 PM* in the auditorium.

The class of 2017 becomes the first high school cohort to file the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** on a new timeline and with information from prior-prior year (PPY) tax information. Here are the changes to the FAFSA process:

- Students/parents will be able to file for aid beginning *October 1, 2016*—a full three months earlier than previously allowed.
- Applicants will use prior-prior year tax information when reporting personal and family income. You will complete the FAFSA using 2015 tax information.

To stay up-to-date on all things related to college and career exploration, visit SHS’s Counseling Website ([www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com](http://www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com)).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

DATE	EVENT/TIME/LOCATION
9/15	University of Portland visit, 11:20 AM, Auditorium
9/21	Grand Canyon University visit, 11:30 AM, Conference Room
9/26	Financial Aid Night, 6:30 PM, Auditorium
10/3	Oregon State University visit, 11:30 AM, Auditorium
10/11	Corban University, 11:20 AM, Conference Room
10/13	Pacific University visit, 1:00 PM, Conference Room
10/14	NO SCHOOL- Statewide In-service
10/18	Oregon Institute of Technology, 1:00 PM, Conference Room

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## SAT/ACT REMINDER:

Scappoose High School CEEB #: 381-060

### SAT:

SAT TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
November 5	October 7
December 3	November 3
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
September 10	August 5
October 22	September 16
December 10	November 4
February 11	January 13
April 8	March 3
June 10	May 5

#### Registration:

[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

Cost: \$58.50 (with writing)

#### Practice:

[www.actstudent.org/testprep/](http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/)

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

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## WEBSITES/RESOURCES:

RESOURCE	LINK	WHAT?
Naviance	<a href="https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=scappoose">https://connection.naviance.com/family-connection/auth/login/?hsid=scappoose</a>	Research college & career options, apply for scholarships, track admission status, request transcripts, etc.
FAFSA Website	<a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a>	Apply for Financial Aid
Oregon Goes to College	<a href="http://oregongoestocollege.org">http://oregongoestocollege.org</a>	College Information
SHS Counseling Website	<a href="http://www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com">www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com</a>	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

## COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK

Scappoose High School is participating in the nationwide initiative College Application Week (CAW) on October 24-28! CAW seeks to increase the number of students who are applying to college early in their senior year, with a focus on first-generation and low-income students as well as student who may not otherwise apply to college.

SHS will assist students as they complete college applications and attend various workshops. For more information about the initiative visit <http://oregongostocollege.org/>

## FINANCIAL AID

More than \$150 billion in federal student aid is available through grants, work-study, and loans every year. Federal student aid helps pay for college or career school. Federal student aid can be used to cover the costs of your college's tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and transportation. A very help helpful brochure about FUNDING YOUR EDUCATION is available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/2016-17-do-you-need-money.pdf> or on Scappoose High School's Counseling Website at [www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com](http://www.scappoosehighschoolcounseling.weebly.com)



## FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Learn about your post-secondary financial aid process and options!

ATTENTION:  
SENIORS &  
PARENTS OF  
SENIORS

Presenter:

Abril Hunt,  
Senior Financial  
Literacy Trainer

ECMC

- Financial Aid Process
- FAFSA
- Types of aid
- Oregon Promise
- Applying for Scholarships

Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

6:30-7:30 PM

Scappoose High School Auditorium

Scappoose High School is hosting a Financial Aid Night! Prepare for the realities of paying for college. Abril Hunt, Senior Financial Literacy Trainer, will be presenting information for students and parents on Financial Aid/FAFSA. This is an important presentation for junior and senior students and their parents.

**WHEN:** Monday, September 26 at 6:30 PM  
**WHERE:** Scappoose High School, Auditorium

## **FAFSA4CASTER**

The FAFSA4caster will help you understand your options for paying for college. You provide basic information and it will estimate your eligibility for federal student aid. FAFSA4caster can be done at anytime during your child's K-12 career. The FAFSA4caster can be found online at <https://fafsa.ed.gov/FAFSA/app/f4cForm?execution=e1s1> or through the Scappoose Counseling Website.

## **FSA ID**

Students, parents, and borrowers are required to use an FSA ID, made up of a username and password, to access certain U.S. Department of Education websites. Your FSA ID is used to confirm your identity when accessing your financial aid information and electronically signing your FAFSA documents. Get your FSA ID today at <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>

## **FAFSA**

The office of federal student aid provides grants, loans, and work-study funds for college or career college. To receive federal student aid you must fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is an online form. There is no charge to students/parents for completing the FAFSA. You may begin filling out the FAFSA beginning October 1<sup>st</sup> of your senior year. The form must be filled out annually. <https://fafsa.ed.gov/>

## **GATHERING DOCUMENTS FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID**

- ✓ Student/guardian(s) social security number
- ✓ Student/guardian(s) driver's license
- ✓ Student/guardian(s) 2015 W-2 forms and other records of money earned
- ✓ Student/guardian(s) 2015 Federal Income Tax Return
- ✓ Student/guardian(s) 2015 taxed income records- worker's compensation, child support, veteran's benefits
- ✓ Student/guardian(s) current bank statements
- ✓ Student/guardian(s) current business and investment info, business and farm records, stocks, bonds, and other investment records



1. Get your FSA ID today! <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.html>
  2. Attend Financial Aid Night on Spetember 26
  3. Fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <https://fafsa.ed.gov/> on October 1!
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## **FINANCIAL AID TERMS**

**AWARD LETTER-** If you applied for admission to a school, you were accepted, and you listed that school on your FAFSA, the school will calculate your aid and send you an electronic or paper “award letter” telling you how much aid and assistance the college/university has offered. The letter describes the type(s) and amount(s) of aid, and lists specific information on the students’ responsibility and the conditions that govern the award. Generally, the award letter gives students the opportunity to accept or decline the aid. The letter also includes a deadline date by which to respond.

**EFC-** Your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is the total amount students and their families are expected to pay towards college costs, from their income and assets, for one academic year. EFC is calculated based on financial information provided on student’s FAFSA.

**FINANCIAL NEED-** the amount by which your family’s contribution falls short of covering your expenses. (see also EFC)

**GRANTS-** A type of financial aid that does not need to be paid back. Eligibility is based on need. Some grant money (including the Pell and Oregon Opportunity Grant) is first-come, first-served. Fill out FAFSA as close to October 1 as possible.

**MERIT-BASED AID-** Financial opportunities awarded to students based on factors such as talent, academics, interests, etc.

**NEED-BASED AID-** Scholarships, grants, loans, or work-study opportunities given to students who have demonstrated financial need, calculated by subtracting the student’s expected family contribution from a college’s total cost.

**PARENTS’ CONTRIBUTION-** the amount the student’s family is expected to pay toward college costs from its income and assets.

**SCHOLARSHIPS-** A type of financial aid that does not need to be paid back. Students are awarded scholarships based on EFC, need, merit, or a combination. Some scholarships are automatically given to students, while other scholarships require students to apply.

**STUDENT AID REPORT (SAR)-** A report produced by the Department of Education and sent to students who have filed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The SAR contains information the student provided on the FAFSA as well as the federally calculated result, which the financial aid office will use in determining the student’s eligibility for a Pell Grant and other federal student aid programs.

**STUDENT LOANS-** Federal and/or private loans given to students. Loans must be paid back.

**SUBSIDIZED LOANS-** Direct subsidized loans have better terms to help students with financial need. The US Department of Education pays the interest on direct subsidized loans while you are in school and for 6 months after you leave school.

**UNSUBSIDIZED LOANS-** Direct unsubsidized loans are available to students and do not require a student to demonstrate financial need. The student is responsible for paying the interest on direct unsubsidized loans.

**WORK STUDY-** Awarded by colleges using information provided on FAFSA. Work Study provides part-time jobs for students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay education expenses.

# 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

## NOVEMBER:

**\*UO FRESHMEN SCHOLARSHIPS (C):** Some scholarships for incoming freshmen require an additional or separate application. Others are awarded automatically based on the materials in your undergraduate application for admission and/or financial information in your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Apply online at [https://financialaid.uoregon.edu/scholarships\\_freshmen](https://financialaid.uoregon.edu/scholarships_freshmen) Applications have various due dates ranging from *November 1* through *January 15*.

## 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*.

## APRIL:

**\*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.

## 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/>

### ADDITIONAL 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>