

# School Counseling Newsletter

**MERCY MCAULEY HIGH SCHOOL**

## SAVE THE DATE

**November 15, 2021:** Common Early Decision and Early Action Deadlines for Colleges

**November 24-26, 2021:** Thanksgiving Break

**December 4, 2021:** SAT Test Date

**December 11, 2021:** ACT Test Date

## COLLEGE AND CAREER

### DOCUMENT/ TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

With college 'early action' application deadlines quickly approaching, the file below is a reminder of how to request your documents/transcripts be sent to colleges you applied to.

**Requesting Documents to be Sent:**

1. Move the colleges where you applied to the fourth column in SCOIR (column labeled "Applied")
2. Email your counselor and ask her to send your documents.

**Requests for Recommendations:**

1. Those filling out recommendations for students need at least 10 school days to be able to fulfill requests.

If you or your student has any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to the school counselor.



## HAS YOUR STUDENT BEEN ACCEPTED TO COLLEGE OR RECEIVED A SCHOLARSHIP?

Please remind your student to send her acceptance letters and/or scholarship letters to her counselor! She can forward the emails or bring a hard copy in. We keep a record for graduation and end-of-year activities.

Tell your students to keep up the hard work; they are almost to the finish line!



## WHAT HAPPENED IN TUESDAY TEA?

Seniors looked at all things related to making final decisions about college: post application tips, senior year college 'to do's' still left, how to think through your final decision, and how to compare colleges.



## OHIO MEANS JOBS CAREER CLUSTERS

Explore various Career Clusters on our **Ohio Means Jobs Website**. It will help your student get a better understanding of their career options. There are also live chats with personnel who will help your student plan and make informed decisions that will drive her success!



# SCHOLARSHIPS



## YWCA GREATER CINCINNATI MAMIE EARL SELLS SCHOLARSHIP

Mamie Earl Sells was committed to young people, promoting programs that encouraged them to expand and improve their personal lives and career opportunities. This scholarship is dedicated to her memory, honoring her loyalty and service to the community through her volunteer work in the arts, education, racial justice programs and social services. Personally dedicated to the YWCA during the last decade of her life, Mamie played a leadership role in developing the Career Women of Achievement event and served as board member, vice president of membership and overall friend to the YWCA.

### MAMIE EARL SELLS SCHOLARSHIP

[Details](#)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OHIO CHARITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

This is a reminder that the Knights of Columbus Ohio Charity Foundation Scholarship application deadline is drawing near. Applications and transcripts must be received no later than the end of business on Friday, November 26, 2021.

### KOFC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND INFORMATION

## JOHN F KENNEDY PROFILE IN COURAGE ESSAY CONTEST

Any student in grades 9-12 are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Deadline for submission is January 14, 2022

Describe and analyze an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official who served during or after **1917**, the year John F. Kennedy was born. Include an analysis of the obstacles, risks, and consequences associated with the act. The essay may concern an issue at the local, state, national, or international level.

#### RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

- The winner receives a **\$10,000** cash award. If the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation holds the 2022 Profile in Courage Award event in person, the winner and her/his/their family will be invited to travel to Boston to accept her/his/their award in May 2022. Travel and lodging expenses will be paid for the trip to Boston for the winning student and her/his/their parents.
- Second-place winner receives **\$3,000**.
- Five finalists receive **\$1,000** each.
- Eight semifinalists receive **\$100** each.
- Ten students receive honorable mentions.
- The nominating teacher of the first-place winner is also invited to the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library to receive the John F. Kennedy Public Service Grant in the amount of **\$500** for school projects encouraging student leadership and civic engagement. Travel and lodging expenses will be paid for the trip to Boston.
- All participants receive a Certificate of Participation.

Winners and finalists will be notified by April 30. All participants will receive a letter announcing the winners and finalists by the end of May.

## GETTING STARTED

JFK Essay Contest



## OHIO TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Ohio Township Association Scholarship Program began in 2005. Many years prior to this, former board member Paul Smith and his wife, Ethel, gave the initial donation to the OTA Scholarship Fund, providing the groundwork for future scholarships. The scholarships are also funded by donations from County Township Associations, personal gifts, and proceeds from the OTA's annual golf outing.

Today, four \$1,500 scholarships are awarded annually. Among other requirements, applicants must be a high school senior planning to attend a two or four-year Ohio college or university.

**Wondering if you reside in a township?** Consult your local County Auditor's website and input your home address in the property search function to obtain tax and property details. **If you're looking for your local township officials,** contact your County Board of Elections.

For more information or if you have questions, please call the OTA office at (614) 863-0045.

## LARGEST SCHOLARSHIPS YOU CAN FIND FOR COLLEGE



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## ACE TEST PREP

Class of 2023 students & parents,

The second ACT of the school year was completed this past Saturday, and the next ACT will come up quickly. The December test is one of three (December, April & June) during the year that can be bought back from ACT with an answer key to use as a study guide for future testing. This third ACT of the 2021-22 takes place on Saturday December 11th, and ACE Test Prep will hold classroom prep sessions at Elder and St. Xavier during the three weeks leading up to it (excluding Thanksgiving week). These classes (Session 3) are scheduled for two nights per week from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM. All of the information needed to register for these prep classes can be found at <https://www.actestprepcincy.com/>.

Registering for the actual national ACT tests can be done at <http://www.act.org/> which is completely separate from registering for prep. Next Friday November 5th is the soft deadline to sign up for the December ACT. There is a requirement during the ACT registration to upload a photo ID; be sure to do this step so your registration doesn't get cancelled.

Thanks and please contact us at [actestprepcincy@gmail.com](mailto:actestprepcincy@gmail.com) with any questions you may have,

ACE Test Prep Staff

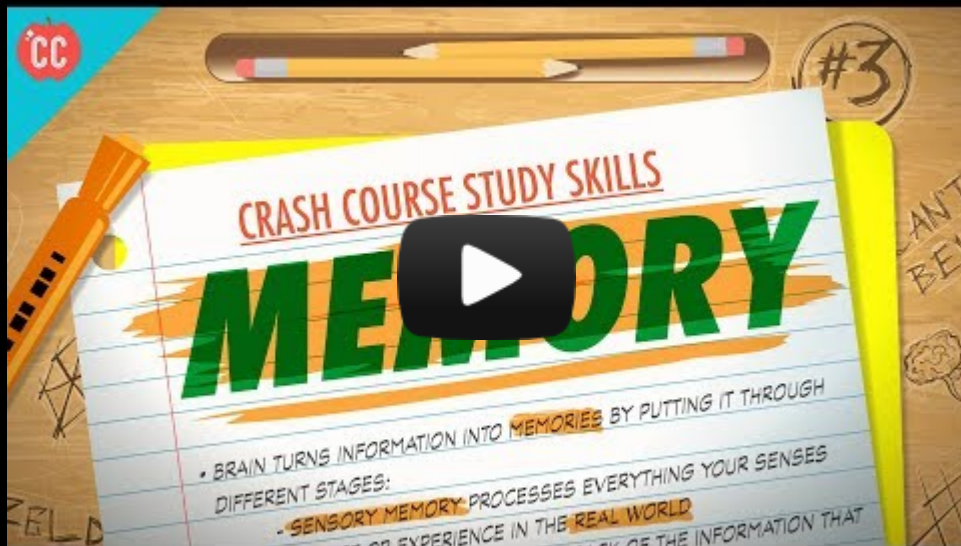


## OTHER TEST PREP OPTIONS

- ACT Academy : <https://academy.act.org/>
- A+ Tutoring: <https://www.aplustutoring-testprep.com/>
- Academic Insights: Kathleen Kuhn <http://www.academic-insights.com/>
- Club Z: [www.clubztutoring.com/Cincinnati](http://www.clubztutoring.com/Cincinnati)
- Education for Testing (Martha Geller): [http://www.educationfortesting.com/\\_v2/](http://www.educationfortesting.com/_v2/)
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  - Khan Academy: <https://www.khanacademy.org/>
  - Constance Gorman: <http://www.mycincytutor.com/>
  - o Tutors math, chemistry, ACT, and SAT
  - NKY Tutoring: [www.nkyltutoring.com](http://www.nkyltutoring.com)
  - o Focuses on the math section of the ACT
  - Ohio Means Jobs: <https://jobseeker.k-12.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/assessments/home.aspx>
  - o PSAT, ACT, SAT, ASVAB, and AP
  - Torch Prep: <https://www.torchprep.com/>
  - Townsend Test Prep: <http://www.townsendtestprep.com/>
  - Ace Test Prep: <https://www.acetestprepcincy.com/>
  - o Two Elder/St. X teachers, Brett Currin/Julie Brandel offer a course for Catholic high school students and may private tutor
  - Multiple ACT and SAT help applications are available for your smart phone. These are to be used to improve your weaknesses, additional practice, and to change up your study routine.
  - o Magoosh (good for memorization), ACT and SAT flashcards
  - § <https://magoosh.com/>
- Khan Academy App
- The Grading Game (good for writing)
- Math Brain Booster (good for math)
- ACT online Prep
- ACT prep by Ready4
- ACT Prep Coach & Practice Test / ACT Test Prep, Practice, and Flashcards

## ACADEMIC

## Memory: Crash Course Study Skills #3



## ACADEMIC HELP

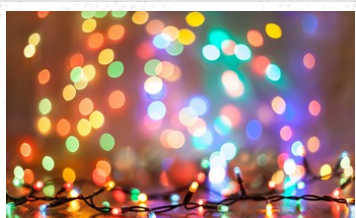
Need extra help in a class or interested in learning new study skills? Check out the document below that includes multiple resources available at Mercy McAuley: tutoring options, organizational skills, study tips, and online resources.

### ACADEMIC HELP

## ARE YOU STRUGGLING IN YOUR CLASSES?

If you are available during Thursday TEA, make an appointment to meet with your teacher to ask questions, receive clarification on content, or go over missing assignments. If you are unavailable during Thursday TEA, ask your teacher about meeting before or after school, during Wednesday TEA, or FLEX.

## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL



## 10 TIPS TO HELP STUDENTS MANAGE ANXIETY AND STRESS DURING THE HOLIDAYS

[Tips to Manage Holiday stress](#)

## MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS

If you feel that you or a friend is in a crisis situation and/or fearful of hurting yourself or others and there isn't a caring adult you can reach right away, please reach out to one of the following:

- Call **281-CARE (2273)**
- Text **4HOPE to 839863**
- Call the Psychiatric Intake Response Center (PIRC) at Cincinnati Children's Hospital @ **(513) 636-4124**
- You can also call **911** or Hamilton County Sheriff's Office at **513-946-6400**

## MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

## STUDENT PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES



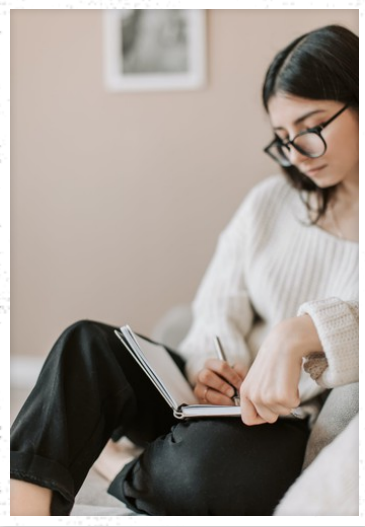
### BANK OF AMERICA STUDENT LEADERS

Since 2004, Student Leaders has been part of Bank of America's ongoing commitment to youth employment and economic mobility. Our goal is to help prepare a diverse pipeline of community-minded young students to be successful in the workforce through leadership training and work experience.

Through our Student Leaders® program, we annually connect more than 300 community-minded high school juniors and seniors from nearly 100 communities to employment, skills development and service.

If you or someone you know is a current junior or senior in high school and have a passion for improving the community, please join us for an information session to learn more about the application process and program details. This session is open to prospective applicants, parents, guardians, guidance counselors and advisors.





## THE REYNOLDS YOUNG WRITERS WORKSHOP AT DENISON

The Reynolds Young Writers Workshop at Denison is an energizing 8-day program for motivated high school students (rising juniors and seniors) who love to write. For over 25 years, the Reynolds Workshop has brought together young writers who are passionate about writing and eager to connect to a close-knit community of writing friends. The workshop is held each June on the beautiful campus of Denison University, a leading liberal arts college, in the village of Granville, Ohio.

[Click Here to Learn More](#)

## 18TH ANNUAL COLLEGE PREP WORKSHOP

Join the Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and Beta Iota, a non-incorporated affiliate of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., for the 18th Annual College Prep Workshop. Saturday, November 13, 2021, 10am to 1pm. This year, the event will be held VIRTUALLY via ZOOM.

This event is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Three informational workshops designed to equip students with strategies for success include:

- Admissions Representative Session
- Social Media Savvy - What's in it for you?
- Financial Aid Overview

Plus!

- An Interactive Student Panel! Bring your questions and get insight from current college students on what it's like to be in college during these complicated times.
- An Interactive Parent Panel has been added! Parents can ask questions directly to parents of current college students and receive helpful information and tips!

Students (and parents) are encouraged to register and attend together. We will be raffling off prizes! Stay for the entire session and a graduating senior\* could win a \$500 SCHOLARSHIP (funds will be paid directly to your college/university.) Additional prizes and giveaways will also be given! \*Must reside in the Cincinnati area to be eligible.

Questions? Email us at [cacdtscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:cacdtscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com)

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**COLLEGE PREP WORKSHOP**

To Register and Attend

# BALL STATE INTERIOR DESIGN SUMMER WORKSHOP

For the past thirteen years Ball State's Interior Design program has offered high school workshops/camp experiences where high school students of all levels learn about interior design in a hands-on way. The workshop explores fundamentals of 2D and 3D concepts, basic drawing and illustration skills, use of color and light effects, and how interior environments affect human behavior. This inclusive program seeks to blend tradition and innovation in creative learning.

At the end of the workshop, students have new friends, new perspectives, and a personal portfolio full of ideas!

This year we will be offering four flexible workshops:

- Two ten day on-campus workshops during the summer
- Two three week on-line workshops during the summer

Registration for summer Youth Interior Design Forum is now open.

About 80 percent of college students in the United States end up changing their major at least once, according to the [National Center for Education Statistics](#). Participation in this workshop will help your student build an art portfolio, help them make their final decision about declaring "interior design" as a major and also help them with a smooth transition to college after this exciting campus experience. Further, we will waive a required elective course for them, if they participate in the workshop and get admitted to Ball State University to study [Interior Design](#).

**SEE ATTACHMENTS AT BOTTOM OF NEWSLETTER**

## MORE INFORMATION

Tuition, Dates, and Registration

## MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY'S COMMONWEALTH HONORS ACADEMY

**June 4, 2022-June 25, 2022**

The Academy brings together 120 rising high school seniors from Kentucky and the surrounding region for three weeks for an exciting, challenging academic enrichment program. Upon the completion of the academy, students will

- Receive 6 hours of honors level university study credit
- Have the opportunity to take an additional six hours of tuition- free university courses at Murray State University during their senior year
- Be awarded a four-year \$2,000 renewable housing scholarship to attend Murray State University

To qualify for the academy, students must have

- A completed Junior year of high school
- A composite ACT of approximately 25 (or equivalent on the SAT) and a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Other credentials, such as community service, such as community involvement, class rank, and teacher recommendations that are taken into consideration in the selection process

The student application deadline is March 15, 2022

**CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Murray State Honors Academy

## NOW HIRING

Click below:

[Twin Towers – Life Enriching Communities](#)

[Wicked Good – Pub and Grill](#)

[Oak Hills Works: Various Part-time and Seasonal jobs](#)

[Ohio Living Llanfair – after school servers for independent living dining halls](#)

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