

School Counseling Newsletter

MERCY MCAULEY HIGH SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE

November 1, 2021: Common Early Decision and Early Action Deadlines for Colleges

November 4, 2021: Registration Deadline for December 4th SAT

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

November 5, 2021: Registration Deadline for December 11th ACT

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html>

November 6, 2021: SAT Test 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.



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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?

Senior TEA - we looked at paying for college and addressed all *leftover* questions and concerns regarding the college application process. There are 2 helpful documents at the end of this newsletter which were passed out to students:

1. **Financial Aid Comparison Worksheet** - to help you find the college that makes the most sense for your student and your family.

2. **Financial Aid Glossary** - to help you navigate the unfamiliar terms that will be thrown at you as you receive award letters, acceptances, etc.

Freshman TEA - we introduced the counseling department and the students started to learn about Scoir, our college and career planning website.

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](#).

MORE INFORMATION

Tuition, Dates, and Registration



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!



CareerCluster

jobseeker.k-12.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com

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

FLIER FOUND AT BOTTOM OF NEWSLETTER

COLLEGE PREP WORKSHOP

To Register and Attend

EQUASION ARTS CONTEST

EquaSion is proud to announce our Youth Arts Competition! With the world going through so many changes, we want to give our youth at home an outlet to express their creativity and stay engaged in community. Please submit your creative work to them by November 7, 2021.

MORE INFORMATION

IMPORTANT FAFSA INFORMATION

You will not see Mercy McAuley listed in the "drop down search" when you get to that point in the FAFSA application. FAFSA adds school names on their own timeline and according to an

indicated need (applicants). NCES updates private schools every 2-3 years and this year Mercy McAuley has not been updated yet.

At one point in the application, you will be asked to enter your high school name. Enter Mercy McAuley High School, then Cincinnati, then Ohio. Instead of "Search" simply click "Next".

FAFSA specialists assured us the drop down search is handled on the government side and will update in the future. Until then, they advised us to enter the school name manually and click next. We are staying in communication with personnel at FAFSA headquarters and are confident that we are taking the proper, proactive approach. As always, we recommend that you complete the FAFSA alongside your parent (as applicable).

Search for High School

Student Demographics **School Selection** Dependency Status Parent Demographics Parent Financials Student Financials Sign & Submit Confirmation

STUDENT INFORMATION

✓ Application was successfully saved.

ⓘ Because the FAFSA belongs to the student, "you" and "your" always (unless otherwise noted) refer to the student.

ⓘ Enter the name, city, and state of your high school, then click **Confirm**. ?

What is the name of your high school?
Mercy McAuley High School

In what city is your high school located?
Cincinnati

In what state is your high school located?
Ohio

CONFIRM

Click Here!

PREVIOUS **NEXT**

SCHOLARSHIPS

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

LARGEST SCHOLARSHIPS YOU CAN FIND FOR COLLEGE



Largest Scholarships You Can Fi...

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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/>
- Education for Testing (Martha Geller): http://www.educationfortesting.com/_v2/
- Inspirica: www.inspirica.com
- Kaplan Test Prep: <https://www.kaptest.com/>
 - o SAT® PLANS CHANGED? KAPLAN'S GOT YOU COVERED! They are offering full access to SAT® Prep On Demand for 1 month, for free.
 - § What's Included: Instructional videos on test content, strategy, and more, Practice questions and explanations, Quizzes throughout each lesson, so you'll always know if you're on track
 - § Full access for 1 month—free
 - § <https://www.kaptest.com/sat/free/sat-on-demand-trial>
 - o
- Khan Academy: <https://www.khanacademy.org/>
- Constance Gorman: <http://www.mycincytutor.com/>
 - o Tutors math, chemistry, ACT, and SAT
- NKY Tutoring: www.nkytutoring.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)

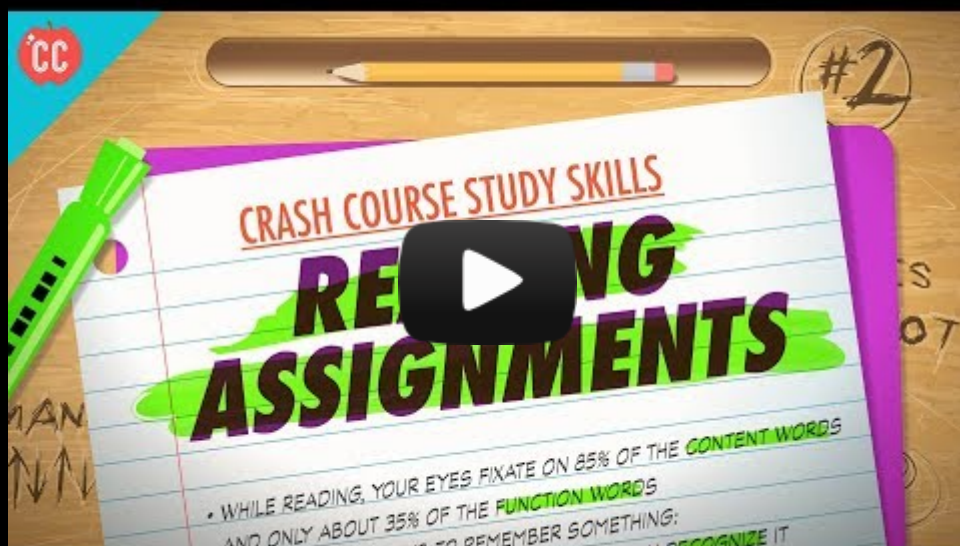
ACT online Prep

ACT prep by Ready4

ACT Prep Coach & Practice Test / ACT Test Prep, Practice, and Flashcards

ACADEMIC

Reading Assignments: Crash Course Study Skills #2



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

HEALTHY TEENS

Mental Health and Teens



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

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](#)

[Perfect North Slopes](#)

[Cincinnati Zoo – Food Sales](#)



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