Senior September 2015 Newsletter

This newsletter is designed for senior information. All of this information can also be found on the Tina-Avalon R-2 school website at www.tinaavalon.k12.mo.us

ACT Testing Dates for 2015-2016

Test DateRegistration DeadlineLate Fee RegistrationOctober 24, 2015September 18, 2015September 19 - Oct 2

December 12, 2015 November 6, 2015 November 7 - 20

February 6, 2016 January 8, 2016 January 9-15

April 9, 2016 March 4, 2016 March 5 – 18

June 11, 2016 May 6, 2016 May 7 - 20

Register at www.actstudent.org/start

Fees: ACT No Writing \$39.50 ACT Plus Writing \$56.50

Each day, ACT will post a new "Question of the Day" test practice question at the following website: www.actstudent.org/qotd/.

For Compass test information or to schedule to take the Compass test, see Mrs. Scott.

College Fairs and Visits

Each senior is allowed 2 excused absences for a college visit. These days must be rearranged 1 to 2 weeks prior, and you must turn in verification to the office following the event.

College and Military Visits to Tina-Avalon

Visits with College and Military Representatives will be done throughout the year. Notification of these visits will be announced in the bulletin.

<u>Upcoming Events –</u>

Sept. 10 – EN110 forms and payments due to Central Methodist

Sept. 29 - College and Career Day at State Fair Community College

Oct. 7 - Career Day on Wheels at Tina-Avalon

Scholarship, Awards and Honors Opportunities

WENDY'S HIGH SCHOOL HEISMAN AWARD PROGRAM – Both male and female seniors who have at least a "B" average and participate in at least one school – sponsored sport may enter to win. The award honors those who excel in academics, athletics, and student leadership. The application is available online at www.wendsyheisman.com. The first 1,000 students that complete an application will win a \$10 Wendy's Gift Card.

Deadline: October 2, 2015

AES SCHOLARSHIP - This is awarded to high school seniors on the basis of character, as

determined by an evaluated essay that is submitted. Students must submit an essay of between 500 and 1000 words in answer to the following question: When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey? Submit essay to scholarships@aesengineers.com. Be sure to include your full name and name of school your attending this year and your plans for next year.

Deadline: October 7, 2015

COCA-COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP - This is an achievement-based scholarship awarded to graduating high school seniors. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve and their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities. Eligibility requirements are: current high school senior and U.S citizen who are anticipating completion of the application at the time of application, plan to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of the junior year of high school. The application can be found at www.coca-colascholarshipfoundation.org/applicants/ Deadline: October 31, 2015

MEGAN MEIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – This scholarship is available to any male or female senior with a cumulative GPA of 2.5. Students must complete the application, obtain a letter of recommendation, and submit a one to two page essay that includes the following information:

- List all extracurricular activities participated in during high school, both within and outside of school.
- Describe ways you have proactively helped to lessen all forms of bullying within your school or community.
- List your professional goals after graduation from college.
- Describe why you feel you are a deserving recipient for this scholarship.
- List any special circumstances you would like the scholarship committee to consider when reviewing your application (optional).

This application can be found at www.meganmeierfoundation.org

Deadline: November 6, 2015

HORATIO ALGER SCHOLARSHIP- This scholarship's eligibility criteria are: High school senior planning to enter college no that than the fall following graduation, a strong commitment to pursue a Bachelor's degree, demonstrate financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income), be involved in co-curricular and community service activities, display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, maintain a 2.0 or better GPA, be a U.S. citizen. For more information and access to the online application go to https://scholars.horatioalger.org/

Deadline: October 25, 2015

HAGEN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION – This scholarship is awarded to high achieving students in need of financial assistance in order to attend college. Eligibility requirements are: Must be a resident of an eligible state, attend junior and senior years at eligible high school, be a student in 2016 graduating class, 3.5 GPA or higher, score 23 or higher on the ACT, enroll in college in the first semester after high school, work 240 hours in the 12 months prior to the start of college, complete the FAFSA in 2015 using the 2014 Tax Information, FAFSA Expected Family Contribution (EFC) must be less than \$75,000, must apply for eligible Federal and State grants, must not have been convicted of a felony. Applications can be found at www.hsfmo.org

Additional Resources/Websites

www.scholarships4students.com - Free scholarship search engine

www.fastweb.com - Free scholarship search engine

www.getschooled.com - Informational website on future endeavors

www.number2.com - Online free ACT Preparation

www.scholarships.com/link - Provides a college and scholarship search as well as various resources

www.studyguidezone.com - Provides study information for a variety of tests including the ACT and COMPASS

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