

# Senior Newsletter

Information about scholarships and colleges

Parents and Senior's

April 7, 2008

To get grants, work study and loans you must apply using the FAFSA.

## It is not too late to submit your FAFSA apply now.

Sign your FAFSA with a Federal Student Aid PIN. If you do not have a PIN, you can apply for one at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov) before beginning FAFSA on the Web. You can electronically sign your FAFSA when you submit your information. If you are providing parent information, one parent must sign your FAFSA. To sign electronically, your parent should also apply for a PIN at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). There is no specific deadline for federal grants.

**Watch for scams** – Be sure you are on the government web site ending in **.gov**. [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). Stay away from sites ending in **.com** these are legal companies who charge a fee, you still do the same amount of work. You still have to provide the information!

ACT asks that if you have access to a computer and have a credit card to apply on line. If you do not have the above then use the paper form. You can pick up the flyer in the counselor's office for registering on-line or the ACT packet. Students on free or reduced lunch should agree Mrs. Rudder for 2 free tests. Pick these up ASAP! You must be finished with your registration to get the waiver. I have only 10 left.

The **Arkansas Student Loan Authority** is a state agency free for help to get into college. Go to [www.asla.info](http://www.asla.info) for free scholarships, etc.

### LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

**Frank & Georgia Bunton Scholarship** – applicant must be a Carver Alumni family descendent, have a minimum GPA of 3.25 and majoring in Education and enroll in an accredited Arkansas College or University. You must have the Local Scholarship form attached to the essay. Essay on a topic of applicant's choice relating to education is required; essay needs to be at least 500 words. Applicant must have attended Lonoke High School in the last 4 years. Scholarship is worth \$1,000.00. Mail essays to Frank & Georgia Bunton Scholarship, P.O. Box 21, Lonoke, AR 72086.

**ARKANSAS CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP IS NOW AVAIALE ON LINE AT [www.arkansaschallenge.com](http://www.arkansaschallenge.com).** Request transcripts in the office be sent **electronically! (NEW!)** Deadline is June 1, 2008. You must send the 8th semester after graduation.

Get help filing out your FAFSA and your other college and scholarship information. Monday evenings from 5:00 to 7:30 in the writing lab Mr. Joel Wright and Ms. Holly Howard will be there to assist you and your parents.

You must check with the college you are attending for scholarships. Check on academic, private and your major department for applications. Many college deadlines are coming. Be sure you meet yours. Some colleges are still giving scholarships!!!

### ANNOUNCED EARLIER, BUT MAY BE AVAILABLE -

Native American Scholarship Award - 800-441-4513. 4/11; **2008 Acxiom/UCA Information Technology Careers Camp at UCA June 24-27<sup>th</sup>** - **Melanie Watson @ 501-450-5276 or [melaniesw@uca.edu](mailto:melaniesw@uca.edu)**; Sorority Recruitment Workshop – 4/13 @ 2:00 @ St. James United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall Contact Melissa Bond @ [MelissaBond@sbcglobal.net](mailto:MelissaBond@sbcglobal.net) or 960-0665; **ASU – Searcy - 2008-2009 Technical Scholarship; Arkansas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (AASFAA) – 5/1**; “Do you have the “Winning Characteristics?” - [WWW.MAKINGITCOUNT.COM/SCHOLARSHIP](http://WWW.MAKINGITCOUNT.COM/SCHOLARSHIP); BAPTIST HEALTH Medical Center – Little Rock and BAPTIST HEALTH Rehabilitation Institute will host its STAR Volunteen Program - **Jim Gibbons @ 501-202-2192 or e-mail [Jim.Gibbons@baptist-health.org](mailto:Jim.Gibbons@baptist-health.org)**; M\*A\*S\*H – Medical Applications of Science for Health – June 9-June 20, 2008 @ Jefferson Regional Medical Center & AHEC – Pine Bluff – Karen Puckett @ 870-541-7627 or 800-395-7611 or [kpuckett@ahecpb.uams.edu](mailto:kpuckett@ahecpb.uams.edu)

All males must register for the selective service at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov) by their 18 birthday. You can not receive any government money until you register.

Senior transcripts are available in the main office. Fill out the request form three days in advance of the day you need it or need it mailed to arrive. New, electronic transcripts must be sent for the Arkansas Challenge, request these.

Resume-Seniors should make a resume if you do not have one. (If you do, update it.) You need one to send in with many applications for college, jobs, and scholarships and to give to people to write references. There are example resumes' in the guidance office.

References- Ask four people (not relatives) to write letters of recommendation for you. Ask them to save them on their computer so they can change them to fit different scholarships. Give them your resume' and two weeks notice so they will have time to work it into their schedule. When you need a reference for a specific scholarship give them a copy of the scholarship criteria so they can testify to the characteristics needed for that scholarship-such as, honesty, leadership, etc.

**The Salon Professional Academy @** 4619 JFK Blvd in North Little Rock for more information call 501-259-9774 or go to [www.tspalittlerock.com](http://www.tspalittlerock.com) .

**The Jacksonville/Cabot Real Estate Council** announces the establishment of the Jacksonville/Cabot Real Estate Council Scholarship for high school graduates with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Stop by the counselor's office to pick up an application.

Listed are the test dates and the registration deadline.

<b>Test Date</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>
June 14, 2008	May 9, 2008

Out of State schools:

**Savannah College of Art and Design** – Saturday , April 12 Hilton Little Rock Metro Center @ 925 South University Little Rock, AR. For more information go to [www.scad.edu/admission](http://www.scad.edu/admission) and click on SCAD in your area or call 800-869-7223.

**University of Dayton** – 800-UD-PRIDE

**Missouri Welding Institute, Inc** – 800-667-5885 or [www.mwi.ws](http://www.mwi.ws)

**Louisiana State University** – The school of Architecture and Department of Interior Design will be offering a one-week career exploration workshop, June 8-14, 2008. For more information contact Thomas Sofranko @ [tsofran@lsu.edu](mailto:tsofran@lsu.edu) or 225-578-6885.

For more information and applications come by the counselor's office or call 676-7061.