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HURON HIGH SCHOOL

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****ACT Prep Course****

HCC is offering an ACT Prep course to help you prepare for the December 10th test and later ACT dates. Details and sign up are available in the counselors' office. You **must** pay at sign up.

For future ACT tests, register online:

<https://www.act.org>

****DATES TO REMEMBER****

- Homecoming Early Release- 1:30, September 30
- Homecoming Parade- 2:00, September 30
- Homecoming Tailgate @ stadium-5:30, Sept 30
- Homecoming FB Game- 7:00, September 30
- Late registration for Oct 22 ACT- September 30
- ASVAB registration deadline- November 1

VISITING COLLEGES

- **Northern State University** Wednesday, October 5 @ 11:30 in the Front Office Conference Room
- **University of South Dakota** Thursday, October 6 @ 12:30 in the Front Office Conference Room
- **South Dakota State University** Thursday, October 27 @ 11:30 in the Front Office Conference Room

FEDERAL STUDENT AID INFORMATION:

TYPES OF AID

- **Grants**- money you don't have to repay. YAY! (unless you withdraw from school)
- **Scholarships**- FREE MONEY!! Apply for lots and lots. FREE! FREE! FREE!
- **Loans**-money you borrow and must pay back with interest

Once you complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), you have officially applied for Financial Aid. You have to do this yearly (have your previous years' tax return near by while completing the application).

As this school year goes along, be sure to check your newsletters. I will be providing more information about Financial Aid to try and help you understand the process, options and requirements.

OCTOBER 1- the FAFSA is open for current seniors to complete for their next post-secondary education. *You will need to create an FSA ID (you and your parents); get this done now.

****IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION****

<https://southdakota.mappingyourfuture.org>

and

www.mappingyourfuture.org/paying/scholarshipresources.cfm

Other referenced resources:

*FAFSA application- studentaid.gov

*<https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>

*www.fastweb.com

*<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>

*<https://public.dollarsforscholars.org>

if you have questions call 1-800-4-FED-AID



Tech-College-University Bound Seniors: What should you be doing to prepare for your future?

Tech-College Visitation Opportunities:

***Lake Area Tech Camps:**

-Construction Career Camp: October 20, 9am-2:30pm. Get hands on career exploration at 6 different stations. Network with those in the field. (Program affiliated with AGC South Dakota-see page 4)

Registration Information: lakeareatech.edu/getting-started/admissions/camps/

***Mitchell Technical Institute-Tech Camps:**

-Business Camp, Construction Camp, Engineering Camp: Wednesday, October 12

-Ag & Transportation Camp, Energy Camp, Scrubs Camp: Wednesday, October 26

Register online <https://www.mitchelltech.edu/admissions/campus-events>

***Southeast Technical College-Career Exploration Days**

-December 14: students will have the opportunity to explore careers in the Healthcare, Horticulture, Engineering Technology, Mechatronics, Transportation and Veterinary Technology sectors.

Register www.southeasttech.edu/apply/visit/career-exploration.php

College Group-Visit Days:

click the links and register online

**all Universities offer personal tours/visits; contact their admissions office for details*

- **Northwestern College-Raider Day** : October 7, October 21 (STEM & Health Professions Day), November 4
- **Jamestown College**: schedule directly on the website
- **Presentation College**: schedule a tour on the website or attend:
 - Nurse for a Day events- October 1 or November 4; email admit@presentation.edu to attend
- **Southwest Minnesota State University**:
 - Mustang Saturdays-register online and choose from several dates: October 1, 15, 22, 29; November 12; December 3; January 14, 2023
 - Mustang Days Open House-October 20-21
 - A Day at SMSU November 19
- **University of South Dakota**:
 - Coyote Visit Days-register online and choose from several dates: October 7, 20, 21; November 4, 18; December 2
 - Fall Open House- November 5
- **Mount Marty University**:
 - Fall Open House-October 4, in Sioux Falls; join for an evening about admission, financial aid, and University dynamics
 - Nursing Day- October 7
 - Fall Discovery Day- October 22
- **Minnesota State University, Mankato**: October 8, October 22, November 5, November 12
- **Augustana University**: Explore AU-October 14
- **Southeast Technical College**: Campus Visit Day- October 7
- **North Dakota State University**: Discover NDSU- October 20, 21
- **South Dakota State University**:
 - Senior Day- October 1
 - Yellow & Blue Days- October 22, November 19
 - Jackrabbit Preview Day- October 7, 14, 28; November 4; December 2
- **Dakota State University**: Discover DSU Days-October 21; November 4 *(corrected date); December 2
- **University of Sioux Falls**: Campus Preview Days- October 21; November 11
- **South Dakota School of Mines & Technology**: Open House- October 22; November 12
- **Black Hills State University**: YellowJacket Preview Day-October 28
- **Dakota Wesleyan University**: Tiger Preview Day- October 28
- **Lake Area Technical College**: Senior Tech Day- November 2
- **Mitchell Technical Institute**: Exploration Day- November 2
- **Minnesota State University Moorhead**: Preview Days- October 20-22; Saturday visits- October 8; November 5, 19

FREE application period for ALL SD colleges/tech schools: October 3- November 30





****Scholarships****



****Other Scholarship Opportunities****

There are several scholarships with deadlines already approaching. **Don't delay!** The early bird may not get the worm, but it might get a scholarship! This list is updated frequently. Check the tabs for scholarships that may apply to you.

SCHOLARSHIP-SEARCH WEBSITES-

****CAUTION:** you should NEVER have to pay a fee to apply for a scholarship**

Tuition Funding Sources

CollegeXpress

Scholarships.com

Discover Colleges

Student Scholarships

EVIE KAHNKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is open to SD students who were active in extra curricular activities through all of their high school years and plan to pursue a career in the ag industry. The recipient must be a well rounded senior exhibiting an outstanding character, integrity, dedication and true faith. Applications are available in the counselors' office, Deadline is February 28

For more information visit: www.eviekahnkememorial.org

AGTEGRA Agricultural Scholarship:

They are offering multiple \$500 scholarships to graduating high schooler seniors. To qualify, students must be entering a full-time undergraduate agricultural degree program at a 2 or 4 year post-secondary institute in North Dakota or South Dakota. Applicants must be US citizens.

Submit application via mail or email. Applications are available in the counselor's office or online.

DAR Scholarship

The Daughters of the Revolution offers an annual \$500 scholarship to direct descendants of US Military Veterans. Applicants must be current seniors in South Dakota and planning to attend an institute of higher learning after graduation. They must also be a child or grandchild of a US Military Veteran. This includes legally adopted children. Applications are available in the counselors' office.

Prudential Emerging Visionaries:

Prudential Emerging Visionaries is a national program that celebrates and awards young people who create solutions to financial and societal challenges. Apply for Prudential Emerging Visionaries and tell us how you are tackling financial or social barriers in your community and beyond! For more information and application details, visit the website www.prudential.com

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- NSHSS Foundation varied Scholarships
- Legislative Page-October 7
- AES Engineering Scholarship- October 8
- Heisman Scholarship- October 18
- 2022 SD Angus Association Scholarship- October 28
- Big Idea Competition- October 31
- VFW Voice of Democracy- October 31
- Coca Cola Scholars Program- October 31
- SD Farmers Union- November 1
- Athlete of the month (Vantage Financial Partners)- 1st of each month
- ELKS MVP Scholarship-November 14
- 4 other Elks Scholarships-November 14

SCHOLARSHIPS
Continue to check the information center in the counselor's office for updated scholarships.



Apprenticeship Opportunities:



*More detailed information was included on the previous newsletter

Dakota JATC:

The Dakotas Area Electrical Apprenticeship and Training Fund assures that skilled manpower will always be available in the rapidly growing field of electrical contracting. For questions or more information visit www.dakotasjatc.org

Butler Machinery:

- **ThinkBig Program-** Butler has partnered with North Dakota State College of Science and Lake Area Technical College. Apply at WWW.BUTLERMACHINERY.COM/THINKBIG or for information, contact their team at BecomeATech@ButlerMachinery.com or call 701-298-1708
- **Work Study Opportunities-** For information and to apply, visit butlerag.com/high-school-work-study
- **ButlerMAX Program-** you are able to earn your degree while gaining real-world experience within the industry. Apply online at butlerag.com/butlermax

Titan Machinery- The Titan Edge Program includes career exploration, mentorship and real-world professional experience that will provide students with the EDGE for success. For more information go online www.titanmachinery.com

You can also contact their Talent Team by emailing careers@titanmachinery.com or calling 701-356-0130

Titan Machinery is continually seeking to connect students with their opportunities and accepts applications for the EDGE program throughout the year.

Apply at www.titanmachinery.com/student-programs

AGC of SD Youth Apprenticeships-

This program has been built to enroll students into the AGC of SD Apprenticeships while being simultaneously enrolled in Dual Credit construction-related programs at South Dakota's post-secondary educational institutions.

For more information contact Margaret Pennock at 605-336-9338 or margaret@sdagc.org



Muth Electric Inc-

- **Job Shadow Program-** If interested in the Job Shadow Program can 605-996-3983 and ask for Human Resources. **more details were posted in previous newsletter*
- **Apprenticeship opportunities-** The minimum qualifications for an apprenticeship at Muth Electric include a high school diploma (or GED), 18 years of age, able to do physically active work, and transportation to job sites and school.
- **Mitchell Technical Institute partnership-** visit their website at www.MuthElectric.com
- **Partnership with the Build Dakota Scholarship program-**For more information go to: <https://www.bulddakotascholarships.com/about>

AIM HIGH FLIGHT ACADEMY

Curious about flying? Earn 15 flight hours and the chance to go on a solo flight.

AIM High Flight Academy is a 3-week program designed to teach and inspire future aviators. You'll received one-on-one training from US Air Force Pilots and gain valuable experience in the classroom and in the sky. Applications are open October 1-November 30. Visit their website for more information

www.recruiting.af.mil/Aim-High-Flight-Academy/



Your FAFSA checklist: What You Need to Complete the Form



- Your Social Security Card and driver's license, and/or alien registration card if you are not a US citizen
- Your 2021 federal income tax returns, W-2's, and other records of money earned (The [IRS Data Retrieval Tool](#) can help you transfer your federal tax return information right into your FAFSA form.)
- Your parents' income tax returns, W-2 forms and 1040 forms if you are a dependent (AND YOU ARE UNLESS DECLARED OTHERWISE.)
- Records and documentation of other nontaxable income received such as welfare benefits, Social Security income, veteran's benefits, military or clergy allowances (if applicable).
- Any additional applicable financial information, such as taxable work-study, assistantships, fellowships, grants and scholarship aid reported to the IRS, combat pay or special combat pay and cooperative education program earnings
- Records of any additional nontaxable income: child support received, veterans' non-education benefits, money received or paid on your behalf.
- Current bank and brokerage account statements, including records of stocks, bonds, mutual funds and other investments.
- Business or investment farm records
- Records relating to any unusual family financial circumstances.
- Title IV institution Codes for each school you applying to. You can get this code from the school (some have them listed on their web sites) or you can use [FinAid's Title IV School Code Database](#)
- FSA ID to sign the for. Create a [FSA ID](#) online.

*gather your materials and complete your forms sooner rather than later. Many states award financial aid on a FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE basis. Putting off your financial aid is NOT something you want to do.

**once you complete your FAFSA, save copies of your completed FAFSA form, along with copies of all the information you gathered in order to fill it out.

If you successfully read to the END, you can come into the Counselors' Office and claim a TREAT!

