

# Counselor's Corner

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HURON HIGH SCHOOL

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## Stewarts School Career Day

**Who:** Anyone curious about the industry of Cosmetology, Massage Therapy, Esthetics, Nail Technology

**What:** Learn more about the many different career paths in the Salon & Spa industry

**When:** October 26th, 1:00-4:00

**Where:** Stewart School 604 N West Avenue, Sioux Falls

**RSVP:** 605-215-1637 or

[dowhatyoulove@stewartschool.com](mailto:dowhatyoulove@stewartschool.com)

## VISITING COLLEGES

South Dakota State University Thursday, October 27 @ 11:30 in the Front Office Conference Room

## FREE ONLINE TUTORING

The Dakota Dreams Online Tutoring Program is offering free online tutoring to K-12 students in South Dakota. To learn more and to register visit [OurDakotaDreams.com](http://OurDakotaDreams.com)

## October- Hit List

- **OCTOBER 1-** the **FAFSA** is open for you to complete
- **\*\*FREE\*\*** application period-CLOSES November 30: ALL SD colleges/tech schools Have YOU applied?
- Sign up for the **ASVAB** in the counselors' office
- Registration for **NEXT ACT** test- November 4
- Register for the **ACT Prep Course** in the Counselors' office
- Check your EMAIL- the military OPT OUT survey has already been sent
- [Apprenticeship Opportunities](#)
- [Tech-College/University Visitation Opportunities](#)

## Past Newsletters:

- [Counselors' Corner Newsletter Issue 1](#)
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Need Tuition Assistance? The Department of Labor & Regulation offers tuition funding to eligible individuals in a variety of training and education programs. Email: [careerlaunch@state.sd.us](mailto:careerlaunch@state.sd.us) for more info

## **\*\*IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION\*\***

<https://southdakota.mappingyourfuture.org>  
and

[www.mappingyourfuture.org/paying/scholarshipresources.cfm](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org/paying/scholarshipresources.cfm)

Other referenced resources:

\*FAFSA application- [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov)

\*<https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>  
\*[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

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

\*<https://public.dollarsforscholars.org>  
if you have questions call 1-800-4-FED-AID

\*Check past Newsletters for Ins & Outs to Financial Aid\*

## 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

# \*\*Scholarships\*\*

## FREEDOM SCHOLARSHIP OF SD

This is a need-based scholarship. Universities will determine the financial need based on student need. Contact each university individually for details or potential opt-in requirements.



Scholarship opportunities will NOT come to you, land in your lap, or seek you out! YOU need to do the work! "FREE" is never truly FREE. Scholarships will require time, effort and a little work from you.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

(That have been advertised earlier)  
Continue to check the information center in the counselor's office for updated scholarships. \*For past scholarship information- reference past newsletters

### Hagan Scholarship Foundation

This is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship.

Eligibility Requirements:

\*Must attend an eligible public high school

\*Must have a 3.5 GPA

\*Must enroll in an eligible college/university

\*Must maintain a 4 year or less graduation schedule

\*Applicant's adjusted household income reported for Federal Income Tax Purposes must NOT exceed \$85,000

Application deadline is December 1. For further details and how to apply, visit the information center in the counselors' office or view the website at <https://haganscholarships.org>

## Patriots of the American Revolution DAR Essay Contest

This scholarship opportunity is open to 9-12 graders.

Judging of essay submissions will be based on historical accuracy and quality of work. The essay can contain 800-1200 words and must fulfill the 2022-2023 topic: Select a figure from the era of the American Revolution and discuss how that person influenced the course of the American Revolution. Application details are available in the counselors' office. Essay submission deadline is November 15 and must be sent via email (available on scholarship info sheet)

## GE -Reagan Foundation Scholarship

Applicants must demonstrate the attributes of leadership, integrity, drive, and citizenship within their communities, schools, and workplaces. Minimum GPA 3.0. Must be a US citizen and currently a senior attending high school. Deadline is January 5, 2023. For further application details and requirements, click the link above.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

- NSHSS Foundation varied Scholarships
- 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
- Elks Career & Tech Education Scholarship- November 14
- 4 other Elks Scholarships-November 14
- DAR Essay Contest- November 15

## \*\*Other Scholarship Opportunities\*\*

There are several scholarships with deadlines already approaching. Don't delay! These are updated constantly. YOU need to be checking this [link](#) OFTEN!! It is updated frequently.



# How To Prepare For College/Post-High School



Explore jobs in demand, career paths, college or military options at [myFUTURE.com](http://myFUTURE.com)

## Be prepared for the expenses that come with college:

- You will have to cover cost of food, books, transportation, vehicle maintenance, pizza runs, software updates for classes and device maintenance.
- Learn how to manage a budget and expenses NOW
- Don't rely on credit cards. Cash for the WIN!

## Work on developing life skills:

- the ability to manage time, emotions, health and school performance will be essential
- learn how to wash laundry, go grocery shopping and how to secure personal safety

## Preparing for Post-high school while in High School:

- Choose your HS classes according to YOUR goals.
- Get and stay involved in extracurricular activities
- Visit as many colleges as possible
- prepare for college entrance exams
- apply for admission
- apply for scholarships and/or work

## Athletic Participation Post-High School

Some students desire to compete athletically at the next level. Is that you? If so, there are a couple things you should know.

You can compete at a college/university that is either **NCAA (DI, DII, DIII)** or **NAIA** affiliated. Both have different requirements and guidelines.

-The NCAA sets academic initial-eligibility standards that take into account GPA, standardized test scores, core courses taken in high school and grades earned. (Requirements for DIII are different.) If you want to practice, complete and receive an athletics scholarship during your first year at a DI or DII school, the NCAA Eligibility Center MUST certify you as eligible!

-The NAIA: to be academically eligible, a student needs to meet one of the freshman eligibility options (available [here](#))

- **NCAA**- you need to create an account with the [NCAA Eligibility Center](#)
  - [NCAA Guide](#)
- **NAIA**- you need to register with the NAIA Eligibility Center by creating a profile at [PlayNAIA.org](http://PlayNAIA.org). NAIA requires students to send specific documentation to be eligible to compete.



- 1) Determine if college is the path you want to take- there is value in trade schools, military, family businesses, or simply getting a job straight out of high school. Know what your goals are and match your plan to your end-goal. Plan your work; work your plan.
- 2) Maintain a High GPA-you will have more college opportunities and scholarship options. Avoid that SENIOR SLUMP. You are close to done...but not done yet!
- 3) Take classes that will prepare you for college (if you intend to pursue post-secondary education)- Don't take the easy way! Challenge yourself and make sure you are prepared for the next level of academia.
- 4) Engage in Extracurricular Activities- Expand your knowledge base, try new things, step outside your comfort zone. Immerse yourself in experiences that will grow your knowledge base both socially and academically.
- 5) Research Financial Aid & Scholarship Options-Equip yourself with financial knowledge so you don't make monetary blunders. Financial Aid is not a freebie! And you will need to pay back what you borrow. Make sure you borrow wisely. Apply to as many scholarships as you can find that apply to you. Don't "shoulda, coulda, woulda" yourself when it's time to pay your college bill.
- 6) Apply early!- Don't wait for the last minute and then be stressed and rushed to meet deadlines.