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Graduation Reminder

***Be sure to order your cap and gown if you haven't already done so. The cost increases the longer you wait. Visit the Herff Jones website and go to our school forum to order now. You want to "create your own package," and this will allow you to pay for only a cap and tassel and includes your gown rental.**

***Schools fees must be paid in full for the privilege of walking during the graduation ceremony. You will receive an invoice if you owe any money. If you are unsure, please see Mrs. Whitmore in the main office or your school counselor.**

***PLEASE be professional when completing scholarships: use an ink pen and write legibly—it matters. If you need letters of recommendation, ask at least a week in advance.**

Dates to Remember/Notes of Interest

***Please "like" the Wapakoneta High School Guidance Facebook page to get even more updates and reminders about WHS, college, graduation and more!**

***Riverside Arts Center** has an array of art offerings. See the bulletin board for the most recent newsletter. This is a locally-based art gallery downtown on Auglaize Street. They are looking for a marketing person too. If you are interested in helping, give them a call: 419-738-2352.

***Need help with the ACT?** Wapakoneta High School has an ACT prep class on Monday-Friday each mod of the day. The focus is both English and math. See your counselor to sign up!!!

***If you find learning hectic, Bowling Green State University** is introducing the Falcon Learning Your Way (Falcon FLY). It's designed to help meet the needs of students who potentially face academic struggles. Go online to learn more about this program.

***YOUR FAFSA NEEDS TO BE DONE TODAY IF IT IS NOT.** The window to do your FAFSA began October 1, 2017, and needs your parents' 2016 taxes.

***Honda Transmission in Russell's Point** has an intern program for the summer of 2018. If you are interested in engineering or technology, this might be the perfect summer job for you. You must submit a resume and cover letter by **Feb. 9, 2018**. Information is available on the Guidance Office bulletin board.

*Check out **Lincoln Career Tech**. There are lots of opportunities available in fields like automotive technology, collision repair and refinishing, diesel and truck technology, and electronic systems. Go to LincolnEdu.com to learn more.

***Ohio Operating Engineers** is looking for apprentices who are interested in work like building bridges and constructing large buildings. There is an information sheet in the Guidance Office, or you can get more information online at www.local18training.com

*If you are taking any kind of **online** course work, please get it done quickly to ensure that you will graduate with your class in May 2018.

*Remember, too, that **all schools fees must be paid** in full before graduation practice to walk at graduation.

*Interested in **ELECTRICITY**??? Sollman Electric of Sidney, Ohio, wants electricians and promises a good future for those who want to work in this trade. They recommend going to Upper Valley Career Center (Piqua, Ohio) and Miami Jacobs College (Dayton, Ohio) to learn this skill and get certified.

***UNOH** invites YOU to their annual scholarship competition **on April 6, 2017**. You may register online at www.unoh.edu, or you may call UHOH to set up a time for the test 419-998-3120.

*Wright State University Lake Campus now hosts about 1100 students! They are also expanding their business and nursing programs, and you can get three of your four business years there. They are offering all four years of nursing and early childhood education at the Lake Campus. Their scholarship website is <http://www.wright.edu/lake/scholarships> Go online to learn more.

*Gentlemen,
Remember to enroll with the Selective Service so that you are eligible to attend college and receive potential scholarships. Go online to enroll; it takes about five minutes.



SCHOLARSHIPS



*PARENTS,

Many scholarships NEED information from the FAFSA—it must get done today if you have not. The FAFSA is your gateway to financial aid, student loans, college work/study programs and federal grants. You use your 2016 tax information, and you can do it online.

***AAA Auto Club** has a School Safety Patrol scholarship available. Applications are available in the Guidance Office and are due by **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**. If you have been on safety patrol during your elementary years, this one might be for you.

***AES** for engineers has a scholarship available online. This one requires an essay. Deadline to apply is **October of 2018**.

***The Aspiring Nurse Scholarship** is available online at www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com. This website will provide you with lots of information about nursing schools and boasts this it is one of the most comprehensive resources for future nurses. Deadline for this one is August 2018.

***Auglaize County Farm Bureau** has a number of scholarships available for members in good standing. Scholarships may require essays or interviews and deadlines vary. If your family is a member, go online to see what you might be eligible for.

***Auglaize County Soil and Water Conservation District** has a scholarship available for those who have a 2.5 or high GPA and are planning to major in an agriculture or related field. Applications are online at www.auglaizeswcd.org. Deadline to apply is **Friday, March 30, 2018**.

***Mary P. Baker** scholarship is available to **females** going to college after high school. You must be in good standing with your classes, have solid moral character, and write an essay. This is part of the Wapakoneta Community Foundation and is available online. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**.

*The **Steven A. and Marie E. Bilyj** scholarship is now available for those majoring in **nursing**. You must have a 2.75 or higher GPA to apply. Deadline is **March 31, 2018**. Applications are available online where you can complete much of the work. This is part of the Wapakoneta Foundation.

***Celina Insurance Group** has a scholarship available for anyone majoring in the insurance industry (accounting, actuarial science, business, finance, etc.). It is worth \$1000 and includes an essay. If you plan to attend Wright State Lake Campus, you could get an additional \$1000! Deadline to apply is **February 10, 2018**. Applications are available in the Guidance Office.

*The **Alvin E. Egbert** award is available for those majoring in an agricultural field. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**. This is part of the Wapakoneta Community Foundation that is now online.

***Farm Credit Mid-America** has scholarships available for customers' dependents. If your family is a member, please go to e-farmcredit.com to apply. The deadlines vary for this company, but they are quickly approaching. Go online to learn more.

*There is a **Ray Ford nursing** scholarship available. Deadline to apply is **March 15, 2018**, and the deadline is strict. This has given out many awards in the past, but it has a detailed form to complete. Get started NOW.

*The **Hauss-Helms Foundation** has an application for college money. This is a need-based tuition program from Auglaize County and has awarded hundreds of thousands of dollars for education. Deadline to apply is **March 15, 2018**. If you think you are eligible, complete this application early; the reward could be tremendous as it could be earned all four years! You will find the application at www.hauss-helmsfoundation.org. If you have a free or reduced lunch, this grant is very possible—do not allow this opportunity to pass you by if you plan on going to any college after high school.

*Check out this website to learn more about scholarships: <http://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/>

***Fastweb** is another opportunity online to explore scholarships. Create a profile and learn more about money that you might be able to earn for your education.

*If you are of **Hispanic** origin, consider visiting the Hispanic Scholarship Fund website to learn more about scholarship opportunities.

*If you are going into the field of **Human Resources**, apply for the HRAWO Scholarship that is available in the Guidance Office. The deadline to apply for this award is **March 15, 2018**.

***The Imagine America Foundation** invites you to look over their website and explore possibilities for scholarships.

***Joint Township District Medical Hospital** will have a scholarship opportunity too for those going into a medical field or nursing field. This is pending; please stay tuned!!!

***The Jason Court Kline** scholarship is available to interested students. To earn this award, you must demonstrate good attendance, be of solid moral character, have a GPA of 2.9 or higher, and be involved in school activities. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**. This is another example of a Wapakoneta Community Foundation Scholarship.

*The **Scott Lhamon Memorial Scholarship** is now available in the WHS Guidance Office. You must have a GPA of 3.3 and be involved in two organizations to be eligible to earn this award. Deadline is **March 31, 2018**. **This too is part of the Foundation and can be found online.**

***Lima and Allen County Medical Alliance** has a \$1,000 scholarship available for those entering into the field of **human health or human science**. You must have a 3.0 or higher GPA and have financial need. Deadline to apply for this scholarship is **March 1, 2018**. Applications are in the Guidance Office.

***Lima Memorial Hospital Auxiliary** has two scholarships available for those going into a health related career and a third for someone who is entering the nursing field. You must have a 3.0 or higher GPA to be considered. Deadline to apply is **Saturday, March 31, 2018**. Applications are available in the Guidance Office. There is a luncheon on Thursday, June 7, for all recipients.

***Merle and Opal Miller** scholarship is now available. Your career intention must be **nursing** or an **agriculture-related program** to earn this degree. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**. This fund has recently received much more money, so there is currently \$11,000 available, which is renewable for all years of college. Once again, this is part of the Community Foundation.

*The **Arlene Metz** scholarship is now available. If you are majoring in education and have a 3.2 or higher GPA, this might be money for your education. You must provide documented interest in the fine arts or athletics. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**, and applications are available online through the Community Foundation.

*If your parents are members of the **MID-OHIO ENERGY COOPERATIVE**, go online to www.midohioenergy.com and check out their scholarship that is due **February 9, 2018**. (This is the same one that has been mentioned on our school announcements for several weeks.)

***Midmark** is offering a scholarship to students majoring in mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, computer engineering, computer information systems, or management information systems. There is a work obligation with this scholarship. You are also required to write an essay; provide a letter of reference, a resume, and transcript. Deadline to apply is **Friday, February 23, 2018**: LEAP into the Guidance Office and get your application today!!!

***Opal Mills** has a scholarship available for those going into a **Medical Arts** (nursing, radiology, dentistry, etc.). This scholarship is sponsored by New Vision Nursing and is due by **April 14, 2018**. Applications are in the Guidance Office.

*If you are going into nursing, check out this website about potential money for college: www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com and click the banner on the right side of the home page. This is a new offering sent to WHS via email.

***Ohio Association of Garden Clubs** offers a scholarship to graduation seniors. Special consideration is given to those majoring in horticulture fields, but all may apply. Deadline to submit an application is March 15. The application is in the Guidance Office.

*The **National Co-op Scholarship Program** is ready to take applications. If you are considering going to Clarkson University, Oswego, Drexel, UC, Johnson & Wales, University of Massachusetts, Rochester Institute of Technology, UT, or Wentworth Institute, check out this website to learn more...www.waceinc.org You must have a 3.5 or higher GPA and be accepted at one of the previously named institutions. Applications are online.

*If you are an **Octagon Club member**, get a scholarship application today from the Guidance Office. Deadline to apply is **Friday, April 6, 2018**. This scholarship has an interview with it.

*The **Ohio Gas Association** has a scholarship available for those majoring in the **gas industry or a related field** of study. The deadline to apply is **March 16, 2018**. Applications are available in the Guidance Office.

*The **Optimists** have both an essay contest and an oratorical contest available. Materials are due to Connie Krites by February 13, and the contests will be held on February 25. Forms are in the Guidance Office. Pick up your copy today!!!

***Plumbers and Pipefitters** are looking for those 18 and older to apply for their trade. Call Jerry Dickrede at 419-229-2775 to schedule an appointment and interview. You must take with you the following: birth certificate, diploma, transcript, license and any certificate you have earned.

***Rhodes State College** has scholarships for those attending this coming fall. Please go online to learn more—www.rhodesstate.edu/scholarships Rhodes State College has moved all of their scholarships to an online forum.

***Rotary Scholarship** forms are in the Guidance Office. This is a local, need-based opportunity for you. They give out several scholarships. After applying, all applicants will interview—this is a great way to work on speaking skills as well as personal presentation. The deadline is generally in early April. This is PENDING at the moment. It will arrive soon.

***Rotary** also sponsors the **Four-way Rotary Speech** contest mentioned on announcements. Applications are in the Guidance Office. The first round of speeches will be held here at WHS on a **pending notice of the Rotary Speech Contest**. This is a great way to hone your speaking skills and keep the jitters at bay when you stand in front of a crowd. Randy Fisher will happily meet with you after school, if interested, to work on your speech writing and delivery. Contact Mrs. Epperly if you are interested! We hope to have information soon!!! PENDING

***Mary P. Schneider**, sponsored by New Vision Nursing, has a scholarship for those going into the **performing arts**. Applications are in the Guidance Office; deadline to apply is **April 14, 2018**. This is PENDING at the moment...listen to our school announcements for updates, please.

***Sinclair Community College** invites you to apply for their scholarship packages IF you are attending there and have your FAFSA done. Visit www.sinclair.edu/scholarships ... Good Luck!!

The **Bob Smith Youth Leaders Bowling Scholarship** is available to those with a background in bowling. This has been available for many months. Deadline for applications is **March 30, 2018**.

***School Soup** called to remind you to visit <http://schoolsoup.com/scholarship-> and learn more about potential money for college.

~The **St. Marys Community Foundation** has several scholarships available. You must go online to complete the application at www.theSMCF.org

- United Steel Workers** has money to give to students. If your parent or guardian is a member, you might be the winner.
- If you are going **to Oral Roberts or Liberty University**, there might be money for you! (AKA...the Clausing Scholarship)
- If your parent works for **the St. Marys Foundry, Inc.**, you might have a scholarship.
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters** offers a scholarship opportunity who helped with the Buddies program at either the elementary level or the high level.
- The **Disabled American Veterans** offers a scholarship opportunity for its members children who are planning to attend a technical college this fall.
- The Salvation Army** is offering a scholarship to those who are majoring in either social work or the ministry.

***St. Rita's Mercy Health** has scholarships available for those who will be future medical providers. Applications are in the Guidance Office. Deadline to apply is **February 23, 2018, by 4 P.M.** This requires an essay, transcript and completed application.

*The **William D. Squires Educational Foundational, Inc.** has a scholarship available. This is a \$3000 per year scholarship that is renewable for all four years of college. You **MUST** have your FAFSA done and be ready to submit your application and SAR (Student Aid Report) by **April 5, 2018**. You must also have a minimum GPA of 3.20. Visit www.wmdsquiresfoundation.org to apply; the application window opens February 15, 2018!

***Stolly Insurance Group** announces that its SUCCEED Scholarship is now available online only at www.stolly.com Deadline to apply for this award is coming SOON: **March 9, 2018**, so get online now to apply today.

*The **Jason Strauser Memorial** is now available to those who have a 2.5 or higher GPA and are in the top 50% of the class. This opportunity also requires a list of goals and community involvement. Applications are available online through the Wapakoneta Area Community Foundation. Deadline is the same as others in the Foundation, which is **March 31, 2018**.

*Check out studentscholarships.org to learn more about potential money for college! The email may provide you with several updates about potential money for school, and includes ideas for all walks of life and career intentions!

*The **Wapakoneta Area Community Foundation**, www.wapakwacf.org, has a lovely collection of scholarships available for this year's graduating class of 2018! Applications are available online only and are due by **March 31, 2018**. Take time to look over all the scholarships and be sure to supply all requirements (transcript, resume, letters of recommendation, etc.)

Some of the scholarships available include the following; many others are listed individually throughout this set of Senior Announcements

- Ida Brown (top 20% of the class)
- Paul E. Fisher (top 50% of the class)
- Al & Gladys Heinrich (top 50% of the class)
- Minster State Bank (majoring in business and have GPA of 3.0 or higher)
- Frey-muth-Sutton Scholarship (three letters of recommendation, top 20%, and solid academics and character)



- Richard A. and Mary Lowry Scholarship (majoring in AG and top 50% of the class)
- Jesse Doseck (2.7 or higher GPA and top 50% of the class)
- Bill Berg Family Fund (top 50% and majoring in an AG related program)

*If you were a former **Wapakoneta Chief**, get their scholarship form in the Guidance Office **as soon as it arrives!** Deadline to apply is **pending**. Stay tuned to our video announcements, please!

***Wapakoneta Choral and Music Society** will have a scholarship available for those who have been in choir all four years of high school. The scholarship has not arrived but should be here by the end of February. The deadline will, most likely, be sometime in April. Once again, stay tuned!

***Wapakoneta Community Scholarship Fund** formerly “**Dollars for Scholars**” has a scholarship available for you. You must provide information from your FAFSA and include an essay and list of activities. There are several scholarships awarded each year by this organization. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**. This scholarship has an interview with it in late April.. The application for this is through the Wapakoneta Foundation.

*The **Wapakoneta Education Association** has two scholarships for this year’s graduating class. You do not have to major in education to earn this award. Deadline to apply is **March 27, 2018**.

***The Wapakoneta Noon Optimists** has a scholarship available for those students who plan to pursue a higher education (university, trade, or community school). You must be involved in at least two organizations/teams at school or in the community. Applications are available in the Guidance Office and are due by **April 1, 2018**.

***Wapakoneta Women’s Civic League** has a scholarship available. Deadline to apply is **pending arrival of information**. Applications will be available in the Guidance Office. This is for both males and females; two scholarships are generally awarded each year.

****Wapakoneta Women’s Club** scholarship is available in the HS Guidance Office. Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2018**. You must have a GPA of 2.7-3.2, but higher will be considered depending on the number of applicants. This, too, is part of the one-application process through the Wapakoneta Area Community Foundation.

Did you know.....

*The Wapakoneta High School code for college entrance exams like the ACT and SAT is **365295**.*

Testing Information

*If you would like to take the ACT test at Wapakoneta High School, our test site code is **227-210**.*

ASVAB: Grade 11 / 12

AP Exams: Grade 11 – 12

Scheduled with the military by the student.

May 1 - 15

ACT: TO APPLY, SEE TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES, GO TO **www.actstudent.org**.

SAT: TO APPLY, SEE TEST DATES AND REGISTRATION DEADLINES, GO TO **www.collegeboard.com**.



The following may help you keep all of your scholarships organized.

1. Name of scholarship _____

To do list _____

2. Name of scholarship _____

To do list _____

3. Name of scholarship _____

To do list _____

