

Important Upcoming Dates

September 12th: Senior Parent Night!

September 28th: Deadline to register for October 27th ACT at Salmen.

September 18th : College and Career Fair in the Pennington Center at Southeastern University, 6—8pm

October 2nd: New Orleans National College Fair at the Ponchartrain Center in Kenner, LA, 6—8pm

October 11th: End of first grading period

October 11th: Work Keys Testing begins

November 2nd: Deadline to register for December 8th ACT at Salmen

November 13th: ASVAB testing at Salmen, 8—11 am, for students interested in joining the military. Sign up now in the front office. Limited number of spots available.

December 8th: ACT at Salmen

December 21st: End of second grading period



Senior Newsletter

Hello and congratulations on making it to your SENIOR year in high school!! This is a great time to be a senior and your counselors would like to give you some words of wisdom to help your senior year flow positively.

This year your counselor is Mrs. Moses A-K

Mrs. McKinley L-Z

- Make sure your schedule reflects whether you are on a TOPS University or TOPS Tech diploma track. If you have not signed your TOPS Tech exemption letter, see Mrs. Janai in the guidance office.
- Keep an eye on your grades. Failing grades can prevent you from participating as a senior in everything from Pep Rallies to Senior Trip.
- Monitor your tardies and absences. Either one can cause many difficulties this year. You will be faced with seat time or denial of a credit if you abuse these. You are only allowed 5 absences for the year. After the 5th absence, you fail the course. If the absence is doctor excused, you must bring in doctor excuse the day you return to school.
- The ACT will be given here at Salmen three times this year; September, October, and December. If you are having difficulty registering online or need help in uploading your photo, check with Salmen's Graduation coach, Janai Williams, for assistance. If you receive free/reduced lunch you are eligible for two (2) fee waivers in a lifetime.
 - Seniors with a 16 or 17 composite on the ACT are required to take the WorkKeys test.
- Scholarships are coming in gradually. Please check the Salmen Guidance Website; scholarships will be posted here. Click on the "Guidance" tab on Salmen's homepage.
 - Some hard copies will also be available in the Guidance Office.
- You will be allowed two (2) college visits during the school year. You must notify your counselor **before your visit** for permission to miss a day of school. Upon your return to class, you must bring with you a signed letter on that college's letterhead to verify your attendance and a member of the school's signature. You will **not** receive approval for visits if you are failing any classes.
- Start applying now to colleges and universities. You should have applied to at least three schools by December 9th.
- Seniors are **required to complete the FAFSA as a graduation requirement**. You may start applying in October. We will have a senior parent night to discuss the FAFSA and concerns pertinent to seniors on SEPTEMBER 12th at 5:30. Accompanying your parent to the meeting is not required but welcomed. There will be several upcoming FAFSA Completion Days for all seniors during the school year. Dates and location to be announced.
- **September 18th**: Career College Fair at the Pennington Center on the Campus of Southeastern from 6-8 p.m. We will have a bus to transport students to Hammond and back to Salmen. We will stop to eat at a fast food location nearby on the way back.
- **Seniors interested in taking the ASVAB**. The test will be offered on campus, November 13th 8am-11 AM in the Library lab. There are only 21 slots available. You must be on time when coming to this test. Salmen only provides the facility.
- This year will move quickly so stay abreast of events and dates that pertain to you.