



GUIDANCE NEWSLETTER

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PARENT TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL TEACHER'S CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for November 18 and 23. Be sure to sign up to meet with your child's teachers.

1. Ask the teacher how your teen is doing in a specific area. (writing, solving equations, etc.).
2. Ask the teacher if your child is working up to his or her ability.
3. Do not be shy about asking the teacher for an explanation if you are confused about something.
4. Ask the teacher if your teen has shown any special interest or abilities.
5. Does your child participate in group activities? Does the child exhibit leadership qualities?
6. Find out if there are any changes in your teen's behavior. (squinting, tiredness, etc.).
7. After the conference, discuss the conference with your child.
8. Immediately start on the actions that you have decided to take.
9. Call or email the teacher to check on your child's progress.

FAFSA AND PROFILE INFORMATION

FAFSA on the Web worksheets and FAFSA forms will be available for seniors after Dec. 1. They cannot be completed until after January 1, 2010. You must use this form in order to receive any federal financial aid for college. Completing the FAFSA on-line will result in a faster receipt of your SAR. Register for a PIN at www.pin.ed.gov starting now. The Ohio Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators will again be offering College Goal Sunday on February 14 at 2:00pm. CCC-West, LCC and John Carroll are the closest locations.

Some colleges have developed their own supplemental forms or require a PROFILE, so please check with the college or university that you may possibly attend about additional

financial aid forms!!

TESTING INFORMATION

SAT on Dec. 6 - deadline for registration is Oct

SAT on Jan. 23 - deadline for registration is Dec. 15

ACT on Dec. 12- deadline for registration is Nov. 6 (LATE registration is Nov.20)

PSAT/NMSQT, PLAN and EXPLORE results will be available in December. Test interpretation sessions for students will be conducted during religion study halls. OGT results from the October testing should be available during the middle of January.

COLLEGE ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY NIGHT

Are you thinking about playing Division I or Division II athletics in college? You need to be prepared and informed about the eligibility process. Please join us at the College Athletic Eligibility Night to learn about what you need to do to be eligible to play. The program is on December 3, 2009 at 7 p.m. Junior and Senior students and parents are encouraged to attend.

COLLEGE PLANNING

Juniors and Sophomores will be taking part in college planning sessions in November. The sessions will cover a variety of topics on the college search process. Students will also learn about available resources to assist them in selecting a college. Many of these resources are helpful for parents as well. Please ask your student about them.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!!!!