Counseling Office Newsletter

Mauston High School

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Senior Scholarships

Juneau County Peace Scholarship—

Seniors design and execute a peacemaking project in their community. Awards range from \$200-\$1000 per project. Pick up an interest sheet from the MHS College and Career Center. Interest sheet is **due by Friday, October 13** but seniors have until March to execute their project.

\$10,000 Kohl Student Excellence Scholarship—

The Kohl Foundation will award 100 Wisconsin high school seniors \$10,000 each. Seniors are evaluated on their leadership, citizenship, school and community involvement and academic achievement. The application portal can be accessed at: **kohleducation.org**

Students, the three people you choose to write letters of recommendation for you will not be able to submit their letters until you have completed and submitted your application. The Kohl Foundation recommends that you complete and submit your application, which includes entering in the names and email addresses of your three recommenders, at least two weeks in advance of the November 7 deadline, which means complete your application around October 25 so that your recommenders have time to upload their letters.

Portal for submission closes by 5:00 p.m. on <u>Tuesday</u>, **November 7.**

\$1,000 Elks Foundation Most Valuable

<u>Student Scholarship-</u>For seniors demonstrating achievement in scholarship, leadership, and community service. We have had numerous recipients in the past. (4 last year) <u>Apply by Monday, November 13 online at:</u>

enf.elks.org/MVS

When you complete your application on-line, select Baraboo Lodge #688 as the MHS Sponsoring Lodge.

Prudential Spirit of Community Award:

Are you a high school student making a difference in your community? The Prudential Emerging Visionaries program is supporting young people across the country who are making change that focuses on two categories: solutions to financial barriers and solutions to social issues. Apply today for national recognition, a scholarship and an all-expense-paid trip to Newark, New Jersey.

<u>Applications are due on-line at:</u> https://www.prudential.com/links/about/emergingvisionaries by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 2</u>

<u>Coca-Cola Scholarships</u>- Coca-Cola is awarding 150 merit based \$20,000 scholarships to outstanding high school seniors with a 3.0 minimum GPA. <u>Apply by Monday</u>, <u>October 2</u>. on-line at: https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/

Heisman High School Scholarship: The Heisman Memorial Trophy is renowned for symbolizing the pursuit of excellence with integrity. The Heisman High School Scholarship, presented by Acceptance Insurance, extends the Heisman prestige to our nation's most esteemed male and female high school seniors by recognizing and rewarding outstanding scholar-athletes who understand that the most important victories not only happen on the field, but in their schools and communities. These remarkable young leaders set the example and make a game-changing difference every day, paving the way to greatness for everyone around them. Apply on-line by Tuesday, October 17 at: heismanscholarship.com

AES Engineering: for seniors planning to major in Engineering fields. **Apply on-line by: Sunday, October 8** at: aesengineers.com/scholarships

College Rep Visits

Tues. Sept. 26—Marian University -1pm -3p.m. Weds. Sept. 27—US Army—commons—all three lunches Thur. Sept. 28—US Marines—commons -all three lunches Mon. Oct. 2—UW Oshkosh—1:30—3:00 pm Thur. Oct 5— US Navy—commons—all three lunches

If you are interested in seeing any of these representatives, obtain a pass ahead of time from the College and Career Center office.

<u>Campus Visits</u>—Juniors and seniors are encouraged to preview or re-visit campuses they are considering. Students should contact the Admissions Office on the campus to see what options are available and the registration process. Website information and admission offices phone numbers are also available in the College and Career Center office.

<u>Open House—Explore Western</u>—Wednesday, October 11 From 4:00-7:00 p.m.— all of their campuses: La Crosse, Mauston, Tomah, Black River Falls, Viroqua, Independence. Explore their programs, meet with instructors, guided campus tours, and prizes. Register ahead of time at:

Seniors— Set a goal to finish and submit your college applications!

APPLICATION ASSISTANCE:

Seniors—If you need assistance completing your college application, application essays, and/or scholarship essays, Ms. Feit will be offering assistance during selected PRIDE times. Schedule a time through your homeroom teacher.

If you complete and submit an on-line college application, remember to request an official transcript be sent from Parchment.com

Bring in a copy of your acceptance letters so we may display and celebrate your success!

Senior Graduation—Jostens

<u>Senior Cap/Gown and Graduation supply</u> <u>ordering Jostens:</u>

Class meeting—Monday, October 2nd at 9:30 a.m. in the MHS Auditorium with Jostens to receive ordering information.

Senior families are responsible to purchase the cap, gown, tassel and stole. MHS will order and purchase the actual diplomas and covers.

OPPORTUNITIES

Women in STEM Careers—Fall Career Day to be held on Tuesday, October 24 at UW-Platteville. This is for young women in grades 9 through 12 who are interested in learning more about careers that require creative problem solving, encourages forward thinking, and shaping the future of our world. Cost is \$30 and students/parents would be responsible to transport their child to UW-Platteville.

Register by October 9th online at: uwplatt.edu/youth/women-stem-career-day

Wisconsin State Senate Scholar Program: A

unique educational experience to high school juniors and seniors. The Senate Scholar Program is an elite program designed to challenge Wisconsin's best students. One student from each of the 33 Senate Districts may participate in the week-long program in Madison. Applications are due by November 17 at: www.senatescholar.com

Service to Community Honor Cord—Mauston High School students that earn 300 (or more) hours of community service may be eligible to wear an Service Honor Cord at graduation signifying this outstanding accomplishment. The documentation of hours is due to the College and Career Center by May 1st of the senior year. Further information and guidelines may be obtained from the College and Career Center.

TESTING DEADLINES & FINANCIAL AID

October 4—Practice ACT—morning—all Grade 9, 10 and 11 students at MHS.

DATE TBA—PSAT Testing for sophomores — juniors—Cost \$18 but is free for juniors on the free/reduced lunch program. See your counselor to determine if taking the PSAT test is appropriate. Testing at 8:00 a.m.—MHS

November 3—Regular postmark deadline for the December 9 ACT—Mauston is a test site in December. Register at: **act.org/bts**

December 6—ASVAB—Military Aptitude Test—at MHS—no cost—sign up with Mrs. Morris

April 9-12 & April 15-19—All juniors state-wide mandatory ACT test—No fees or pre-registration necessary.

See your counselor to determine your testing needs and timing.

<u>Financial Aid overview</u> for MHS

<u>Seniors and parents</u> — Wednesday, December
13th at 6:00 p.m. Learn the basics of financial aid.

Become familiar with terminology, deadlines, online financial aid form, financial aid process, and types of financial assistance.