

SENIOR NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 4

SAT/ACT UPCOMING TEST DATES

If you are planning to attend a four-year college or university, you should plan to take either the SAT or ACT soon. Here are the next few dates:

ACT – go to www.actstudent.com to register (Late Registration = Additional Fee)

February 9 Registration deadline: January 11; Late registration Jan. 18
April 13 Registration deadline: March 8; Late registration 25
June 8 Registration deadline: May 3; Late registration May 20

SAT – go to www.sat.org to register (Late Registration = Additional Fee)

March 9 Registration deadline: February 8; Late registration February 27
May 4 Registration deadline: April 5; Late registration April 24
June 1 Registration deadline: May 3; Late registration May 22

IMPORTANT DATES

January 4 & 5	Blackhawk Wrestling Invitational
Saturday, January 5	Robotics Department at EWU – 6am Showalter Hall
Monday, January 7	Staff vs Student Spirit Game Fundraiser – 6pm Main Gym
Friday, January 11	Spirit Game Assembly – 2pm
Saturday, January 12	Spirit Game vs. Medical Lake at EWU Reese Court – 4pm
Monday, January 21	No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Wednesday, January 23	Last day for senior name verification on diploma with Mrs. Beck / Office
Thursday, January 24	End of first semester / second quarter
Friday, January 25	No School – Mid-Winter Break
Monday, January 28	College Prep Night 5:30-7:30 pm
February 1 & 2	Boys Swim Districts at WSU

READINESS WORKSHOPS

The Career Center will be offering Readiness Workshops, for seniors, at lunchtime, in the library. Use 15 minutes of your lunch period to make an account to order your transcripts on parchment, get your High School and Beyond Plan (required by Washington State), receive help with college applications and essays, FAFSA help and other guidance as needed. **These sessions will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays through January 17th.**

WE'RE ACCEPTED

As you receive letters stating that you have been accepted to colleges, please make sure that you come to the counseling center and sign up! We will post your name and college/university/technical on the board in the hallway.

NOTE: ALL FINAL TRANSCRIPTS WILL NEED TO BE ORDERED ON PARCHMENT! CHOOSE YOUR COLLEGES AND SUBMIT THEM ON-LINE APRIL – JUNE.

See instructions to “HOLD FOR GRADES” – Ask Mrs. Pischel for help – takes 4 minutes!

COLLEGE PREP NIGHT, MONDAY, JANUARY 28 AT CHS FROM 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Join us for a night packed with help tying up loose ends for your college career! We will have experts providing assistance on the FAFSA/WAFSA, navigating the world of Financial Aid, the Washington Opportunity Scholarship and other questions and concerns. We will help you with your college application(s) from start to finish!

Join us for pizza and prizes! RSVP in the CC or your LA Class.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Watch our website for Scholarships and Important Dates: chs.cheneyisd.org / Departments / Career Center / Current Scholarship Links. Check your school account email for many more opportunities.

Washington State Opportunity Scholarship - Opens January 3rd Deadline: February 28

The Washington State Opportunity Scholarship (WSOS) was created in 2011 to address unfilled seats in the high-demand sectors that drive our economy like aerospace, engineering, technology and health care as well as rising tuition costs at Washington colleges and universities. Businesses and the Washington State Legislature joined forces to fulfill the promise of better education and career opportunities for Washington students. Together they have created a unique public-private partnership, with significant support from founding partners Boeing and Microsoft and matching dollars from the State.

This first-of-its-kind program supports Washington students from low- and middle-income households to attain bachelor's degrees in high-demand fields including science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) and health care through scholarships of up to \$22,500 as well as professional development, skills-building workshops and genuine industry exposure to help increase the rate at which students enter our state's workforce.

WSOS provides scholarships of up to \$22,500 and valuable professional development and industry exploration opportunities to low- and middle-income students pursuing high-demand degrees in state. It is an innovative response to our State's urgent workforce challenge, solely on making high-demand STEM degrees affordable to help students graduate and launch their careers in here in Washington. To apply and view details go to: waopportunityscholarship.org or visit us in the CC.

Leadership 1000 Scholarship - Deadline: February 28

The Leadership 1000 Scholarship provides college scholarships to students who will be attending an eligible four-year college or university in Washington State. A Leadership 1000 Scholarship can be customized around a general set of requirements requested by the donor. The annual awards range from \$1500 to \$5000 per year. Some scholarships are renewable for up to four years.

Students need to have at least a 2.50 cumulative GPA, plan to attend college/university next year, and meet the family income requirements.

Approximately 80 applicants will be selected this year – Students will need to fill out the online application, get a personal recommendation filled out, and send a transcript to the College Success Foundation no later than February 28th. Check out our website or <https://www.collegesuccessfoundation.org/apply>

U.S. District Court 2019 Ninth Circuit Civics Contest – Deadline: TBA

The 2017 Ninth Circuit Civics Contest is sponsored by the Ninth Circuit Courts and Community Committee and the federal courts of the western United States. The contest is open to sophomores, juniors and seniors in public, private and parochial high schools and home-schooled students of equivalent status. Students are asked to relate the legal history of the Japanese internment to the government's current efforts to protect against terrorist attacks in the U.S. The Ninth Circuit contest awards cash prizes to the top three finishers in both the essay and video competitions. Prize amounts will be \$2,000 for 1st place, \$1,000 for 2nd place and \$500 for 3rd place.

Davidson Fellows Scholarship – Deadline: February 14 - Nationwide

The Davidson Fellows Scholarship awards \$50,000, \$25,000 and \$10,000 scholarships to extraordinary young people, 18 and under, who have completed a significant piece of work. Application categories are Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, Literature, Music, Philosophy and Outside the Box. Davidson Fellows are honored every year in Washington, D.C. with Congressional meetings and a special reception. Davidson Fellows named as one of "The 10 Biggest Scholarships in the World" by *TheBestColleges.org* and one of "7 Prestigious Undergrad Scholarships" in *U.S. News & World Report*. (www.davidsongifted.org/Fellows-Scholarship)

Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation National - Deadline: February 1

This is a nationwide scholarship for seniors. 180 awards ranging from \$500 to \$2,500. Applications and details available on the website. <https://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/scholarships-and-grants/scholarships/results/?state=Washington>

Buick Achievers Scholarship Program 2019 – Deadline: February 27

The Buick Corporation is awarding 100 scholarships each up to \$25,000 a year. This program recognizes and supports students who have given back to their community. Go to: worldscholarshipforum.com/buick-achievers-scholarship/

Washington Masonic Charities – Deadline: February 28

Awards: Senior Boy - \$3000; Senior Girl - \$3,000. Must be a dependent of a Washington State Jurisdiction Master Mason in good standing. Go to: wa-masoniccharities.org/webhost/scholarships