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# Signature School SENIOR BULLETIN

From Signature School Academic Services

## CLASS OF 2021

Our Senior Bulletin is published weekly and emailed to all seniors and their families, as well as posted on our Signature website. We will strive to keep you on track with information about important processes, deadlines, scholarship opportunities and events.



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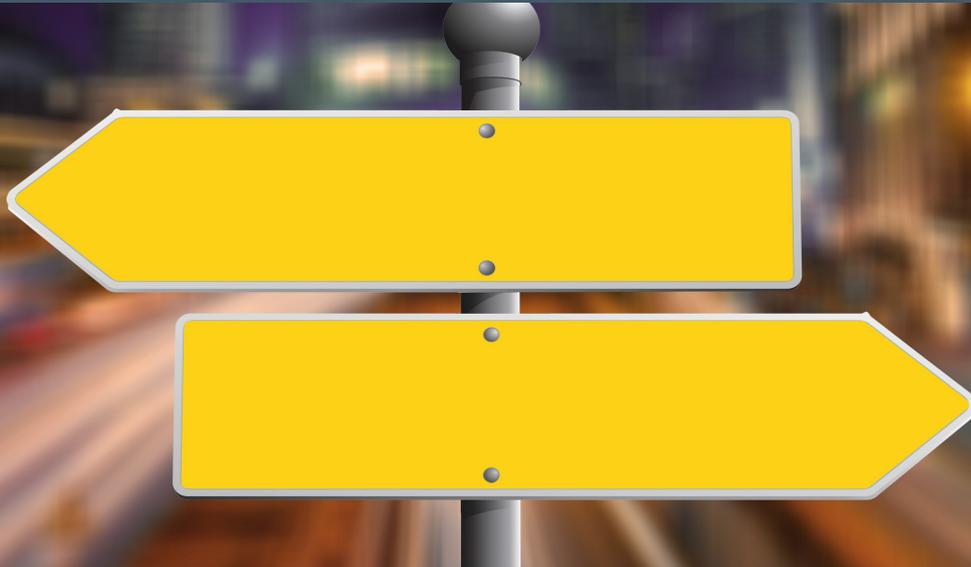
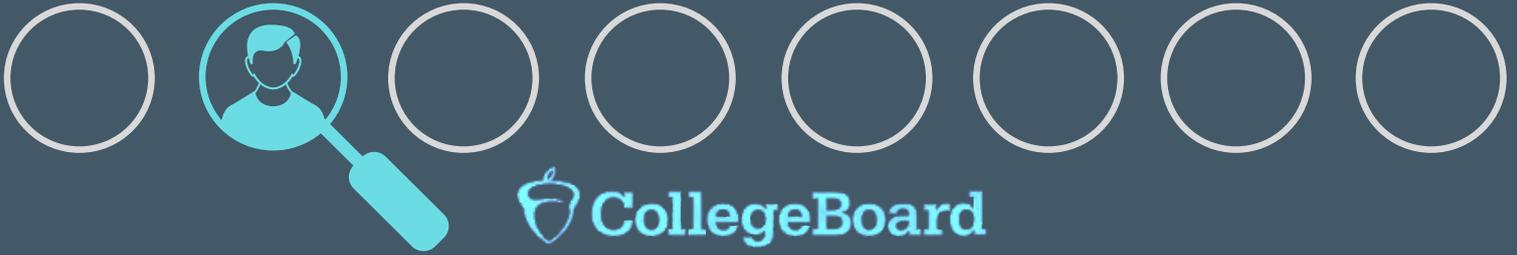
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# DECISIONS, DECISIONS...

NEW

Are you feeling a bit overwhelmed by all the decisions you are facing about your future? Knowing yourself is a great place to start. Check out the "Know Yourself" section on the College Board's Big Future website.



## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE LETTERS



Congratulations, seniors! Your hard work at Signature has paid off! College acceptance letters are starting to roll in. Please give us a copy of each acceptance letter that you receive. If you aren't able to make a copy, please let us know and we will make a copy for you. With your permission, we will proudly display the letters on the second floor. Please give your letters to Mrs. Cirino in Academic Services as they come in.



# SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



You can find information about scholarships in our [College Resources](#) section in the Students area of the Signature website. We continue to post new scholarships regularly. Most of the scholarships listed here will be from outside organizations, foundations, and civic groups.

## THE BONNER PROGRAM

You may have already applied to a Bonner Partner College! This program provides a scholarship to students in exchange for weekly commitment to intensive and meaningful service with a local community organization over the four years as an undergraduate student with our campus partners. <http://www.bonner.org/apply>

## THE SIGNATURE SCHOLAR PROGRAMS (WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ST. LOUIS)

Students interested in Washington University St. Louis must first apply for admission to access the applications for the Danforth, Annika Rodriguez, and John B. Ervin Scholars Programs. Multiple full and partial-tuition scholarships are offered each year. The application deadline is January 2, 2021.

## JACKIE ROBINSON FOUNDATION (JRF)

The online application for the Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship is available starting on November 1, 2020, at [jackierobinson.org](http://jackierobinson.org). Through the JRF application, more than 4,000 talented young minority high school students apply to become JRF Scholars and carry on the civic-minded legacy of the foundation's namesake, Jackie Robinson. The deadline to submit the application for a JRF Scholarship is February 1, 2021.

## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE SCHOLARSHIP

### FROM UNIVERSITY OF EVANSVILLE

The University of Evansville values the hard work of IB students over the last four years and their commitment to academics, their community, and their world. For that reason, UE offers a generous amount of IB credit and a \$1,500 annual scholarship (\$6,000 value over 4 years) to all IB diploma candidates in addition to regular merit scholarships.

# COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS & EVENTS



## JOHNS HOPKINS MIDWESTERN STUDENT INFO SESSION

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 5:00 PM**

Would Johns Hopkins be a good fit for you? Join actual Johns Hopkins' students who are from the Midwest in this virtual panel discussion. If you'd like to learn more about the student body and culture [register here](#).

## MIT INFO SESSIONS

Massachusetts Institute of Technology is offering information sessions for students and parents at various days and times. Explore the sessions and [sign up here](#).

## YALE VIRTUAL INFO SESSIONS AND STUDENT FORUMS

Yale is offering information sessions and student forums on various days and times. Advanced registration is required. Explore the sessions and [sign up here](#).

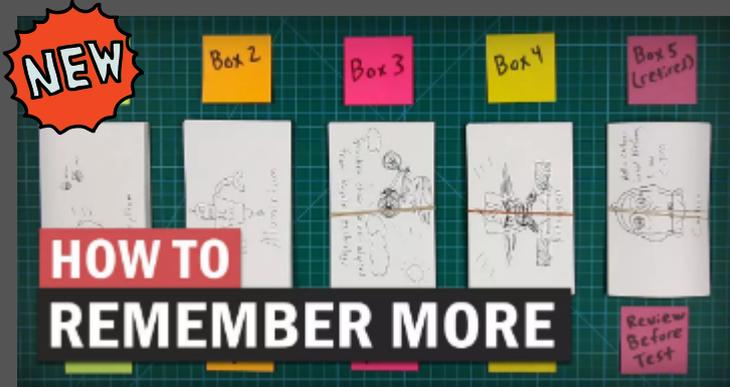


## FINANCIAL AID NIGHT RECORDING

The guest presenter from Notre Dame who conducted our annual Financial Aid Night has offered us a recording of the session. Please watch for the first time if you missed it, or watch again if you need a review. Tip: skip forward about 4-5 minutes into the recording to bypass technical difficulties.

[\*\*Click here to view the recording.\*\*](#)





### How to Remember More of What You Learn with Spaced Repetition

Using spaced repetition in conjunction with other study techniques can help you memorize information much, much more quickly. Here's how to do it.



# COLLEGE INFOGEEK

Thomas Frank (better known as the “College Info Geek”), offers tips on study techniques and staying organized. [Try this technique](#) to study for finals!



## THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID



### DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN LIST UP TO TEN COLLEGES TO RECEIVE THE RESULTS OF YOUR FAFSA?

In most cases, aid from the FAFSA goes on top of merit-based scholarships that you may have already received. The FAFSA assesses and establishes eligibility for all forms of need-based financial aid, including grants (gift-assistance that is not repaid), student loans (repaid by the student after college), and federal work-study (employment on campus). In addition to federal aid, the FAFSA is also the vehicle to apply for aid from the state of Indiana, *if you complete the FAFSA by April 15.*

When completing the FAFSA, be sure to select the 2021-2022 FAFSA year, which represents the upcoming academic year when you will be a first-year college student. The student and one parent must create FSA IDs, which serve as electronic signatures.

Check with all of the colleges to which you plan to apply to determine if an additional need-based financial aid application is required, such as the [CSS Profile](#).

# UE OFFERING ACT RESIDUAL EXAM – January 13, 2021

The ACT Residual is available to seniors who have submitted an application to UE.

It is just like the national ACT test with the following exceptions:

- **Campus-Based** – the ACT Residual scores are only good at UE and cannot be transferred.
- **Small Test Groups** – no large cafeterias or gymnasiums with hundreds of test takers.
- **Quicker Scoring** – UE will score your test within 10 business days.
- **Costs** – the ACT Residual costs \$55 and must be paid online when registering.

[Learn more and/or register here.](#)

## SAT/ACT TESTING DATES 2020-2021

ACT Test Date (link)	Registration Deadline	M.C. Scores Available #
September 12, 2020	Aug. 28	Sept. 25
September 13, 2020 *	Aug. 28	Sept. 25
September 19, 2020	Aug. 28	Oct. 2
October 10, 2020	Oct. 5	Oct. 23
October 17, 2020	Oct. 5	Oct. 30
October 24, 2020	Oct. 5	Nov. 6
October 25, 2020*	Oct. 5	Nov. 6
December 12, 2020	Nov. 6	Dec. 25
February 6, 2021	Jan. 8	Feb. 19
April 17, 2021	March 12	April 30
June 12, 2021	May 7	June 25
July 17, 2021	June 18	July 30
<i>*Sunday</i>		

SAT Test Date (link)	Registration Deadline	M.C. Scores Available #
August 29, 2020	July 31	Sept. 21
September 26, 2020	Aug. 26	Oct. 9
October 3, 2020	Sept. 4	Oct. 16
November 7, 2020	Oct. 7	Nov. 20
December 5, 2020	Nov. 5	Dec. 18
March 13, 2021	Feb. 12	Mar. 26
May 8, 2021	Apr. 8	May 21
June 5, 2021	May 6	July 14

*# Multiple Choice scores available online. Essay scores follow.*