

# Counselor's Corner

Mrs. Francis, 7-12 School Counselor

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**It's Scholarship Season!** For seniors that are planning on going to college, things are probably starting to get real! Hopefully you have received some of your acceptance packets along with your financial aid information! If you are one of the lucky ones, maybe you don't have much cost that will need covered after your financial aid kicks in, but, for most of you, that probably isn't the case! That is why scholarships are so very important! It is FREE money to help pay for tuition, books, food, and all the other expenses that come along with college and adulting! 😊

I will be meeting with FLHS seniors on Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup> during English and on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at the UVCC to discuss the scholarship application process. Please plan to attend, as this will only benefit you! I will also hold scholarship work sessions in January.

## Upcoming Events!

### Sophomore Explore Careers Day

**When:** December 9<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Upper Valley Career Center

**What:** The 10<sup>th</sup> graders will be touring the UVCC to get a better idea of the programs they offer.

### Senior Scholarship Meetings

**When:** December 18<sup>th</sup> at FLHS during English & at the UVCC on 12/17 at 10:00am

**What:** Mrs. Francis will be going over the Scholarship Application Process which will include tips and helpful hints for making the most of your applications!

### Christmas Break

**When:** Dec 23 – Jan 3  
1 hour early release on 12/22

## Selective Service Registration

### Are you a male who has recently turned 18??

Upon turning 18, all males must register with the Selective Service as a part of their civic duties as an American. Failing to register will make you ineligible for federal student aid and you could be prosecuted or face a huge fine.

The process is simple and takes maybe 5 minutes. Go to [SSS.gov](http://SSS.gov) and fill out the info. You will need your social security number. Once registered, you will be given a Selective Service number; write it down and keep for future reference.

**Sophomores: UVCC?...** If you are thinking about attending the UVCC next school year, it is very important to apply as soon as possible! If you are interested, plan to come to the Media Center on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> during Tribe Time!

The UVCC will hold an Open House for families to come and check out their programs on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Students can apply there or online starting at 6pm. The programs are first come, first served, so apply early!

## ACT & SAT Upcoming Dates

- ❖ December 12
  - Too late!
- ❖ February 6
  - Register by: Jan 8
- ❖ February 23 (all FLHS Juniors)
  - Register at school w/ Mrs. Francis (TBD)

- ❖ December 5
  - Too late!
- ❖ March 13
  - Register by: Feb 12
- ❖ May 8
  - Register by: April 8

**FLHS School Code: 362160**

# Scholarship Opportunities

- ❖ [Raise.me](#) is a scholarship search engine that awards “micro-scholarships” to students based on their high school experiences. Create an account and start earning!
- ❖ [Ohio Means Jobs](#) has a “Fund It” section to search for scholarships. This lists scholarships that are available to students in grades 9-12.
- ❖ [Fastweb.com](#), [Scholarships.com](#), & [GoCollege.com](#) are all scholarship search engines. Create an account by answering a few questions and the search engines will only send you scholarships that you are eligible for!
- ❖ **Parents!** Check with your employers to see if they have any available scholarships. Also, if you are a part of a union, they typically have scholarship programs, as well.
- ❖ **ALL applications below are available in the scholarship bin in Mrs. Francis’ outer office, on the school website (<http://www.loramie.k12.oh.us/Scholarships.aspx>), and on the Senior Google Classroom.**

## **December Deadline:**

- ❖ **Hagan Scholarship Foundation:** The Hagan Scholarships are for high achieving students who will require financial assistance for college. Students must have a minimum 3.5 GPA, must score a 23 on the ACT, and have an EFC of \$6500 or less on the FAFSA. Go to [www.hsfmt.org](http://www.hsfmt.org) to learn more and apply. Application deadline is December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ **Burger King Scholarship:** Any high school senior with at least a 2.5 GPA is eligible for this scholarship. They are looking for individuals who are active in their community by participating in sports, volunteering, or other activities. Go to: [www.bk-scholars.com](http://www.bk-scholars.com) to apply by December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **AXA Equitable Excellence Scholarship:** Available to seniors who are well rounded and excel outside of the classroom. Go to <https://equitable.com/foundation/equitable-excellence-scholarship> to apply by December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Farm Credit Mid-America:** Any student with a 3.0GPA, an Ag background, and is a customer (or directly related to) of Mid-America Farm Credit Bureau. Go to: [e-farmcredit.com/scholarships](http://e-farmcredit.com/scholarships) to apply by December 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **January Deadline:**

- ❖ **GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship:** Open to seniors who demonstrate exceptional leadership and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Go to: <https://www.scholarsapply.org/ge-reagan/> to apply by January 5<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **America’s Farmers Scholarship:** Available to students pursuing an education in agriculture. Apply online at: <https://www.americasfarmers.com/> by January 14<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Profile in Courage Essay Competition:** Students must write an essay on the selected topic. Go to: <https://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest.aspx> to find out more and apply by January 17<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Pioneer Electric Cooperative:** Seniors must have at least a 3.8 GPA and a 25 on the ACT and parents must be a customer of Pioneer. Applications must be typed and can be found on their website. Information to fill out the application can be found in the scholarship bin. Applications are due by 5pm on January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Franklin B. Walter Award:** Students will be rated on a variety of different topics by a committee of FL teachers/staff. The winning application will be sent on to be judged against other seniors in the area. Applications are due to Mrs. Francis/high school office by 3:20pm on January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **OACAC Charles Warren Scholarship:** Seniors must have a 3.0 GPA and plan to attend an Ohio university/college. Information is available in the scholarship bin, as well as the Senior Google Classroom. Applications are due January 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- ❖ **Ohio JCI Senate Scholarship:** There are two categories for this scholarship (need based and academic based). Applications are available in the scholarship bin, as well as the Senior Google Classroom. Applications are due January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **February Deadline:**

- ❖ **WEOF Wright State Lake Campus Scholarship:** Seniors planning to attend WSU Lake Campus should fill out the online application ([lake.wright.edu/scholarships](http://lake.wright.edu/scholarships)) by February 1<sup>st</sup>!
- ❖ **ACME Baseball Scholarship:** Open to any male student who has a 2.5 GPA and has played at least one year of ACME Varsity Baseball. Applications must be mailed by February 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ **Shelby County OSU Alumni Club's Scholarship:** Any senior who has been admitted to OSU and shows high academic merit is eligible to apply. Applications are available online at <https://www.osu.edu/alumni/pay-forward/alumni-scholars-program/> - Search for Shelby County. Applications are due February 1<sup>st</sup>!
- ❖ **The Community Foundation of Shelby County:** Application deadlines have been moved up! Students will be able to apply online at [www.commfoun.com](http://www.commfoun.com) (click on "Scholarships!") The main deadline for these scholarships is February 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Mercy Health Medical Scholarship:** Open to seniors pursuing a career in the medical field. Applications are due February 19<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Fort Loramie Liberty Days:** Available to seniors who plan to attend college after high school. Applications are available in the scholarship bin, as well as the Senior Google Classroom. Applications are due to Mrs. Francis by 3:15pm on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **March Deadline:**

- ❖ **Fort Loramie Booster Club Scholarship:** Available to seniors whose parents are on the Booster Club. Applications are due to Mrs. Francis by 3:20pm on March 5<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Skills Trade Scholarship:** Open to any Shelby County student who is entering a certificate program up to an associate's degree. Apply through the Shelby County Community Foundation by March 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **ACE Committee Scholarships (ACE & Herb Poeppelman):** Open to any senior who is college bound. Applications are due to Mrs. Francis by 3:20pm on March 12<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Believe in Ohio STEM Scholarship Program:** This scholarship program is available to both juniors and seniors who have participated in a qualifying STEM project. For more information on what qualifies, go to <https://believeinohio.org/scholarships/> by March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ **Barnes Trust Loan:** This loan is a no interest loan while in school. Open to seniors/college students who live in Shelby County. Application packets are available in Mrs. Francis' Outer Office only. Applications should be mailed by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

## *Career & College Opportunities*

- ❖ **Volunteer Tutor:** There is a student at the elementary that could use a little extra help before or after school. If you are interested in getting a few volunteer hours and helping out a fellow Redskin, see Mrs. Francis ASAP.
- ❖ **AI's** is looking for cooks. Stop by and talk to Mary or call 295-3300.
- ❖ **Wagner's** is hiring at all locations, stop in any of them for an application.

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