

WELCOME TO OUR

# Senior Guidance Newsletter

*we're so glad you're here!*



## It's Senior Year...

Dear Senior Parents,

If you're like me, you're probably wondering how our kids are already SENIORS! It has been really exciting to watch the class of **2026** step into their role of school leaders. Their class has really come together to break fundraising records and inspire younger students.

During this semester, I will be meeting individually with each senior to discuss where they are at in their post-secondary planning. If you would like to set up a meeting with me and your student to talk about their future, I am happy to do that. I will have appointment times available during parent/teacher conferences. I look forward to partnering with each of you.

Sincerely,

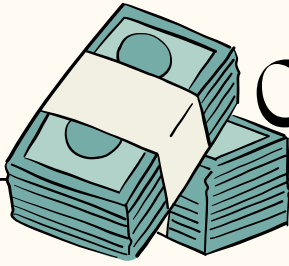
*Emilie Weiss*

## Applying for Admissions

As students begin the college application process, the **Common App** is a helpful tool for them to use. It can be used to apply to many colleges simultaneously, and it also has the ability to search for tailored scholarships.

I'm happy to help by:

- Sending transcripts
- Writing guidance recommendation letters
- Assisting in the college essay writing process



## Complete the FAFSA

### THE FAFSA IS NOW OPEN!

Everyone who is considering attending a college or tech school should complete the FAFSA because it opens the door to many financial aid opportunities such as state grants, the Federal Pell Grant, federal student loans, and scholarships. Complete the application as soon as possible since some institutions distribute scholarships and aid on a first-come basis. You may select up to twenty colleges to receive the FAFSA results in order to determine their university scholarships and aid.

Getting Started:

1. **Collect needed documents.** Follow this [LINK](#) to view a complete document list. When completing the 2026-2027 FAFSA, you will need your 2024 tax return information.
2. **Create an account** at <https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch>. Each individual contributing information to the FAFSA application will need their own FSA ID account. At the minimum, this would be one parent and the student.
3. **Complete the FAFSA** here: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

## SCHOLARSHIPS

Check out these great scholarship search sites!

- [myscholly.com](https://myscholly.com)
- [fastweb.com](https://fastweb.com)
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship>
- <https://www.road2college.com>
- <https://studentscholarships.org/scholarships>

### HELPFUL HINTS:

1. Don't accept a college's first financial aid offer.
2. Talk to the college's financial aid office
3. Search local scholarships
4. Use your community connections & place of employment to find Scholarships

*JEREMIAH 29:11*  
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## UPCOMING SAT & ACT

### SAT DATES

- Test Date: Nov. 2, 2025
- Register By: Oct. 24, 2025
  
- Test Date: Dec. 6, 2025
- Register By: Nov. 21, 2025

To view spring dates and to register visit:  
<https://mysat.collegeboard.org>

### ACT DATES

- Test Date: Dec. 13, 2025
- Register By: Nov. 7, 2025
  
- Test Date: Feb. 14, 2025
- Register By: Jan. 9, 2025

To view more dates and to register visit: <https://act.org>

## COLLEGE VISITS & UPCOMING EVENTS

The fall is a great time to tour colleges. Many colleges have open houses throughout the year that you can register for, **OR** you can call to schedule an individualized visit. Below are a few of the upcoming open houses.

Lancaster Bible College: October 3rd & November 21st

Cairn University: November 7th

Cedarville University (CUFridays): October 10th & November 7th

Liberty University (CFAW): November 6th – 8th

### UBCS EVENTS:

1. **Bucks County Community College** will have a table set up at UBCS on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> during high school lunch!
2. Juniors and Seniors will be taking a morning field trip on October 17<sup>th</sup> to Plumstead Christian School in order to attend a **Christian College Fair**. An email with more information about this event and a link to a permission form will be sent out soon.