

Class of 2016

**** SENIOR NOTES ****

Everything you need to know for your senior year and more is posted NOW on the Huntingdon Area High School website. Information on:

- GUIDANCE OFFICE CONTACTS AND INFORMATION
- GRADUATION PROJECT
- APPLYING TO COLLEGES
- REQUESTING TRANSCRIPTS
- SAT TEST DATES
- NCAA ELIGIBILITY
- SCHOLARSHIPS
- FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

To access this information, go to: www.huntsd.org. Click on “Schools,” then “High School,” then “HS Guidance.”

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Everything you need to know for your senior year, and more.....

Read this, share it with your parents, post it on your fridge!!

- **WEBSITE**

The high school's website has tons of information. Go to www.huntsd.org. Click on "Schools", then click on "High School" and then click on "HS Guidance." Various items are posted on the left-hand side of the screen;

- **GRADUATION PROJECT**

You should be working on or making plans for your 25 hours of service work related to your project. Few things to note:

You must complete Appendix C, the project log when your hours are completed. Your mentor must sign it, as well as your teacher advisor. Your mentor is someone who can attest to the fact that you completed the work (i.e. someone at the site where you completed the work). **The mentor CANNOT be your parent.** Blank Appendix C forms are attached and can also be printed from the website.

When Appendix C is completed and signed by both your advisor and your mentor, submit it to Ms. Russell in the Guidance Office to be logged and stamped.

Appendix C will be due a week or so prior to symposium. The specific due date will be announced. The date of symposium will also be announced at a later date. It is typically in late May.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, CHECK IN WITH YOUR PROJECT ADVISOR FREQUENTLY. YOU GET GRADED ON GRADUATION PROJECT EVERY MARKING PERIOD.

You should also begin putting together your portfolio. Instructions on how to do this are in the 15-16 Graduation Project packet, which is on the website. Specific pages from the packet are attached here for your reference.

- **APPLYING TO COLLEGES**

Read the attached:

General Guidelines for Applying to Colleges;
So You Want to Play Sports in College (NCAA Guidelines)

See the attached Official Transcript Form. These are available in the Guidance Office.

- **SCHOLARSHIPS**

Two different scholarship postings are available on the website:

Scholarships 15-16 – This is a GENERAL listing of possible scholarships available throughout the school year, listed by month you should apply. It also includes a listing of additional websites where you can search for scholarships. This listing is attached.

Current Scholarships – This is a separate listing of various scholarships that the Guidance Office is notified of. Many of these are local scholarships that occur in the Spring, but there are a few we receive throughout the year. They are posted on the website as soon as Guidance is notified.

- **FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION:** Check the website for Financial Aid Workshop dates and listen to the intercom announcements. Miss Sassaman will be scheduling financial aid workshops and announcing them. Attached is a document providing internet resources for financial aid and scholarships.

Graduation Project Expectations **SENIOR YEAR**

First and Second Marking Periods Senior year:

Hands-on project – 25 hours minimum (*Cannot begin counting hours until after the graduation date of the previous class*):

- ❑ **Appendix C (Project Log)**
- ❑ **APPENDIX C IS DUE TO GUIDANCE in May (specific date to be determined)**

As you work on your hands-on project, remember:

- ✓ **To log all time and activities. You must complete a MINIMUM of 25 hours on the hands-on project. This must be done** outside of the school day and does not include time spent consulting with your hands-on advisor. You are encouraged to show evidence of working with a professional or someone who works directly in the field. This person would be your mentor.
- ❑ Appendix D (Student Self-Evaluation)
Should be completed and handed-in to the student's project advisor.

Third and Fourth Marking Periods Senior year:

- ❑ Hands-on project ready for either Symposium or Panel Presentation
- ❑ Graduation Paper and Project Portfolio, including final copy of the research paper, rough drafts, note cards, etc., due for either Symposium or Panel Presentation
- ❑ High School Portfolio, including **resume, career portfolio*** and **Appendix E**, due for either Symposium or Panel Presentation
- ❑ Symposium: To be determined (usually end of May)
- ❑ Panel Presentations: Date to be announced – Usually the week after symposium

***The *career portfolio* requires the completion of a career interest inventory on an internet website. See the reverse side of this page for instructions.**

Career Portion of Senior Portfolio

Career Cruising

Go to website www.careercruising.com. At the top, log in...

Username: Ask the Guidance Office for the username and password.

Password:

- Click on "Login" at the top and then click "Create My Plan"
- Complete the information on that page, creating your own username and password
- Click "Create My Plan."
- Accept the Terms and Conditions
- Click on "Assessments"
- Click on "Matchmaker & My Skills"
- Click on "Start New Matchmaker"
- Enter a Name for your Session and click "Start Now"
- Answer the questions
- Your results will appear
- Under "Level of Education," choose one or more and click "Update My Results"

Choose FOUR jobs to explore by clicking various icons on the left-hand side of the screen

Choose one career of the four that you searched. Choose the one that you find most interesting.

Print the "Job Description" for the one job you chose.

Keep the job description for your senior portfolio. You must include at least one job description in your portfolio.

Meet with your school counselor to explore more ways that Career Cruising can help you.

APPENDIX C

Project Log

- ✓ Log all time and activities. All entries should be thorough and specific, preferably in a **paragraph format that clearly explains what you have done, learned, or experienced.** Evidence of working with a professional or someone who works directly in the field must be represented in this log. Be sure to include the person's name, position, company, and phone number. Face-to-face contacts are always best and must be verified with their signature. You may also communicate with this person by letters or e-mail. Attach the original letter(s) or printed e-mail communications. Telephone calls should be reserved for out-of-town contacts.
- ✓ You MUST complete a MINIMUM of 25 hours on the HANDS-ON PROJECT. Record entries below.
- ✓ **ADVISORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING HOURS ADD UP TO AT LEAST 25. ADVISORS WILL SIGN THE FORM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE GUIDANCE OFFICE FOR RECORDKEEPING PURPOSES. THE LOG WILL BE MARKED "POSTED" AND RETURNED TO THE ADVISOR. STUDENT WILL NEED TO HAVE THIS LOG ON THE DAY OF SYMPOSIUM.**

STUDENT NAME: _____ MENTOR
NAME: _____

(NOTE: The mentor cannot be a parent or guardian)

YOU MAY USE THE BACK OF THIS FORM
IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS NEEDED.

MENTOR PHONE NUMBER: _____

Date Cumulative Time Totals	Time	Activity / Explanation	Mentor Signature
		TOTAL HOURS: _____ ADVISOR'S SIGNATURE: _____	

SENIOR PORTFOLIO and REFLECTION SHEET GUIDELINES

- **Purchase a three-ring binder and clear plastic sleeves** that you can slide papers into for display in your portfolio.
- The first page should be a **table of contents (one page preferred)**. The second page should be a **resume (one page)**. The evaluators will be looking for both on the day of senior symposium. There are resume-writers on the computers in the writing lab, and you can access these through various websites on the internet. Resume writers are designed to format your resume; you only have to choose the format and type in your information. Please ask your English teachers or your guidance counselor for assistance if you have any questions. Your resume will not be elaborate, which is fine. You will have only past or present job information, activities, relevant information regarding courses, etc. It need not be lengthy; just brief and to-the-point.
- Your portfolio will consist of **evidence of your best work in high school and a reflection** of why you considered this a valuable learning experience on your **Portfolio Reflection Sheet**. This can be done with photos, examples of work (i.e. papers, exams), any way in which you can demonstrate your skills, knowledge, etc. This should be primarily high school work; middle school work may not be appropriate. However, if you have a few pieces of middle school work that you think is related to your future plans, it may be included. You should include at least four or five Portfolio Reflection Sheets in your portfolio, each containing a paragraph about the item you chose to reflect on. Talk about what you learned...why it was a valuable assignment...why you think you did well, or better yet, what you may have done to improve the assignment. **You should place all your reflections in one section in your portfolio labeled "Reflections."**
- You want to **organize your portfolio in a consistent manner**. You may label the sections 9th through 12th grades, although this is not the only way to do it. Think scrapbook. You may want to consider organizing the information in different sections, such as *Academics*, *Extra-Curricular Activities*, *Volunteer Time*, or any other ideas you might have.
- **Include a section for your research paper and hours log. This section should include your completed research paper itself, along with Appendix B. Appendix C, the hours log, should be included here also. You must also include Appendix D (Student Self-Evaluation) and Appendix E (Portfolio Reflection Sheets – four or five of them).** You do not need to do a separate binder for your research paper. However, if you wish to have two binders – one for your portfolio items and one for your paper – you may do so. Blank copies of the Appendices can be obtained at www.huntsd.org, click on "Schools," then "High School" and then click on "Graduation Project 2015-16."
- Transcript – You will receive an unofficial copy of your transcript after the end of the 3rd marking period. You are not required to put your transcript in your portfolio, but many students do. It is up to you.
- Your portfolio should be a **reflection of you**, not your best friend or someone you sit beside in class. Your portfolio should reflect your personality. Be neat and organized. But don't consider quantity to be the most important thing. Quality, not quantity, is important for the portfolio. This is not a competition to see who has the most stuff. The items chosen need not be your best work, but should demonstrate growth over your time in high school. Did you improve? Then show us how!

THE PORTFOLIO IS A REQUIRED ELEMENT OF THE GRADUATION PROJECT. IF YOU DO NOT DO A PORTFOLIO, YOU CANNOT PASS THE GRADUATION PROJECT.

General Guidelines for Applying to Colleges

So you've decided which colleges you want to apply or you're just not sure where you want to go to college. What's your next step?

- ✓ See Miss Sassaman, Huntingdon Area High School's college advisor. Miss Sassaman is located in the Guidance Office and is available by drop-in or appointment on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays;
- ✓ Use careercruising.com to search for colleges that might fit your needs;
- ✓ Once you know where you want to apply, you can visit the college website to learn more about the college and admission/application procedures. If you don't know the college's web address, google the name and city/town of the college. You should also make an appointment with Miss Laphen to help with the application process.

Application processes can be complicated and take time to complete. Make sure you have an understanding of all materials needed in order to apply. Miss Sassaman can help you with this and/or you can simply check the website of the schools you are interested in. Gather all the materials you need:

- ✓ Complete the application. Some applications are completed online and some are paper applications. It depends on the college. Some colleges use what's called a "Common Application," which means that certain schools allow you to use one application to apply to all of them. Common Applications can be completed online or by paper. A list of Common Application schools is available in the Guidance Office.

You may need this information to complete the common application or regular college applications:

Secondary School: Huntingdon Area High School
School Phone: 814-643-2156
School Fax: 814-643-3800
School Address: 2400 Cassady Avenue
Suite 1
Huntingdon, PA 16652

CEEB/ACT CODE: 391860
Counselor's Name: Mrs. Amanda Easter (Last names M-Z)
Counselor's Title: High School Counselor
Counselor's E-mail: aeaster@huntsd.org
Counselor's Phone: 814-641-2144
Counselor's Name: Mrs. Melanie Snare (Last names A-L)
Counselor's Title: High School Counselor
Counselor's E-mail: msnare@huntsd.org
Counselor's Phone: 814-641-2134

Special Note to students interested in applying to any of the Penn State campuses: Penn State's application process is online. Once you complete your online application, the Guidance Office does its part online and then faxes Penn State your transcript. Most important for you to know: The Guidance Office cannot complete the online process, including faxing the transcript, until you are done with ***all*** of your part. You must complete the entire application and send payment as requested before a transcript can be faxed. Also, Penn State will only accept SAT scores sent directly from the College Board. It is your responsibility to take care of this.

- ✓ Some colleges require teacher or counselor recommendations. Some colleges do not. The Common Application process requires recommendations from both counselors and teachers and provides forms, either online or by paper, for this purpose. If you do the Common Application online, the teachers and counselors will do their part online also, but only after you've completed your part. If you need recommendations, ask your teachers or counselor and most importantly, give them enough time to do it.
- ✓ Following the guidelines on your college's application or from their admissions page on their website, you should gather any other materials they require. This can sometimes be a special form for the counselor to complete, application fee, essays, etc.

You should request an official transcript from the Guidance Office once you have all the materials you need to apply. Please allow at least five (5) working days from the date you request the transcript until the time it is mailed or postmarked. An official transcript request form is attached. Additional copies of this form are available on the high school's website and in the Guidance Office. Complete the form and give it to the Guidance Secretary or any of the counselors, along with everything you want sent with it. Also note that it may not be necessary to send anything at all with the transcript. It depends on where you are applying. In some cases, only a transcript needs to be sent. It is your responsibility to determine what you need to send with your transcript by contacting the school you're applying to or checking their website.

After the transcript and materials are sent, be patient. You need to allow time for the mail to reach the college. Once the transcript is received by the college, it takes the admissions office time to process it and note it in their system. Each college is different. If you are concerned about your application, call the college to check on the status.

REMEMBER: College deadlines are not like high school deadlines. You won't get a few extra days because you were sick or because school was cancelled due to bad weather. Take into consideration what you need from others and give them enough time to do their part. And seek help from the Guidance Office when you need it.

2015-16 SAT TEST DATES and LOCATIONS

Test Date	Registration Deadline	LATE Deadline Add'l Fees Apply	Locations
10/3/15	9/3/15	9/18/15 (mail) 9/22/15 (online)	Altoona Mifflin County State College Tyrone
11/7/15	10/9/15	10/23/15 (mail) 10/27/15 (online)	Huntingdon AHS Altoona Mifflin County
12/5/15	11/5/15	11/20/15 (mail) 11/23/15 (online)	Altoona State College
1/23/16	12/28/15	1/8/16 (mail) 1/12/16 (online)	Altoona State College
3/5/16	2/5/16	2/19/16 (mail) 2/23/16 (online)	Huntingdon AHS Altoona Hollidaysburg Mifflin County State College
5/7/16	4/8/16	4/22/16 (mail) 4/26/16 (online)	Altoona Mifflin County State College
6/4/16	5/5/16	5/20/16 (mail) 5/25/16 (online)	Altoona State College Tyrone

Huntingdon Area High School CEEB Code 391860

Huntingdon Area High School TEST CENTER Code 39332

Effective MARCH, a redesigned SAT will be offered. Students will have the choice whether or not to take the essay component. BEFORE MARCH, all students must take the essay portion.

**SAT (with ESSAY) Registration Fees \$54.50 by deadline; \$82.50 late registration
SAT (without ESSAY) Registration Fees \$43.00 by deadline; \$69.00 late registration
SAT "Mail" Registration & Practice Booklets are available in the Guidance Office**

Online registration: sat.collegeboard.org

The **Common Application** (also referred to as “the common app”) is an undergraduate college application that applicants may use to apply to any of 415 member colleges and universities in the United States. Below is a list of SOME of the member colleges. For a complete list, go to www.commonapp.org. If you are applying to one of the listed colleges, you may use the common application. If your college is not listed here or on the common application website, you cannot use the common application.

[Adelphi University](#)
[Albright College](#)
[Alfred University](#)
[Allegheny College](#)
[American University](#)
[Amherst College](#)
[Arcadia University](#)
[Bard College](#)
[Boston College](#)
[Boston University](#)
[Bowdoin College](#)
[Brown University](#)
[Bryn Mawr College](#)
[Bucknell University](#)
[Cabrini College](#)
[Carnegie Mellon University](#)
[Case Western Reserve University](#)
[Cedar Crest College](#)
[Chatham College](#)
[College of William & Mary](#)
[College of Wooster](#)
[Columbia University](#)
[Cornell University](#)
[Creighton University](#)
[Dartmouth College](#)
[Davidson College](#)
[Denison University](#)
[Dickinson College](#)
[Drexel University](#)
[Duke University](#)
[Elizabethtown College](#)
[Elmira College](#)
[Emerson College](#)
[Emmanuel College](#)
[Emory University](#)
[The George Washington University](#)
[Gettysburg College](#)

[Gonzaga University](#)
[Harvard College](#)
[Haverford College](#)
[Hobart and William Smith Colleges](#)
[Hofstra University](#)
[Ithaca College](#)
[Johns Hopkins University](#)
[Juniata College](#)
[Keystone College](#)
[King's College](#)
[La Salle University](#)
[Lafayette College](#)
[Lake Erie College](#)
[Lake Forest College](#)
[Lehigh University](#)
[Lycoming College](#)
[Marist College](#)
[Marlboro College](#)
[Marquette University](#)
[McDaniel College](#)
[Mercyhurst College](#)
[Moravian College](#)
[Mount St. Mary's College](#)
[Muhlenberg College](#)
[New York University](#)
[Oberlin College](#)
[Ohio Northern University](#)
[Ohio Wesleyan University](#)
[Philadelphia University](#)
[Princeton University](#)
[Quinnipiac University](#)
[Randolph-Macon College](#)
[Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute](#)
[Rochester Institute of Technology](#)
[Saint Francis University](#)
[Saint Joseph's University](#)
[Saint Vincent College](#)

[Seton Hall University](#)
[Seton Hill University](#)
[Southern Methodist University](#)
[Spelman College](#)
[Stanford University](#)
[SUNY Binghamton University](#)
[SUNY University at Albany](#)
[SUNY University at Buffalo](#)
[Stevens Institute of Technology](#)
[Susquehanna University](#)
[Swarthmore College](#)
[Syracuse University](#)
[Thiel College](#)
[Tufts University](#)
[University of Chicago](#)
[University of Connecticut](#)
[University of Delaware](#)
[University of Miami \(Florida\)](#)
[University of Michigan](#)
[University of Notre Dame](#)
[University of Pennsylvania](#)
[University of Scranton](#)
[University of Virginia](#)
[Ursinus College](#)
[Utica College](#)
[Vanderbilt University](#)
[Vassar College](#)
[Villanova University](#)
[Virginia Wesleyan College](#)
[Washington & Jefferson](#)
[Washington and Lee University](#)
[Washington College](#)
[Wellesley College](#)
[Wells College](#)
[Westminster College \(PA\)](#)
[Wheaton College \(MA\)](#)
[Wilson College](#)
[Wofford College](#)
[Yale University](#)

You can apply using the Common Application either online or by paper. The Common Application organization encourages you to consider applying online. It's quick, easy, and secure. However, if you prefer to print a hardcopy, complete it by hand, then mail it in, you can find copies of all forms in PDF on the common application website. Note: Please do not mix-and-match your application, supplement, and payment between online and paper submission. Either submit the application, supplement and payment (or fee waiver) online, or submit them all by mail

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When filling out a college application online, do not list Miss Sassaman as your Guidance/School Counselor. As the college advisor, she cannot provide the counselor recommendation that colleges request.

**SO YOU WANT TO PLAY SPORTS IN
COLLEGE?
IF YOUR COLLEGE IS A DIVISION I OR
A DIVISION II SCHOOL, THIS
INFORMATION IS FOR YOU!**

Congratulations!! Now that you're ready to advance your athletic career, it's time to think about registering with the NCAA. The NCAA Eligibility Center will certify your academic and amateur credentials. In easy terms, this means that you must register with the NCAA in order to play Division I or Division II sports. See the "Steps to Register" Section of this website to get started.

STEPS TO REGISTER WITH THE NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE

- STEP 1:** It is recommended that student athletes register with the NCAA Clearinghouse in his or her junior year, beginning in the month of May. To register, you need to go to www.eligibilitycenter.org. Enter the site to create an account and begin the application process. If you did not register your junior year, register as soon as possible your senior year.
- STEP 2:** All prospective student-athletes intending to enroll in an NCAA Division I or II school for the first time must also complete the “My Sports” section when they register with the eligibility center. This section certifies your amateur status.
- STEP 3:** Your SAT or ACT scores must be reported to the NCAA directly from the College Board. In other words, NCAA will not accept scores reported on your high school transcript. When registering to take the SATs or the ACT, you should include the NCAA as one of your free choices of places to send your scores. The code for NCAA is 9999. If you did not do this, go online for SAT scores at www.collegeboard.com or for ACT scores at www.actstudent.org and send your scores directly to the NCAA Clearinghouse.
- STEP 4:** Request that your high school transcript be sent to the NCAA. Stop in the Guidance Office and complete an Official Transcript Request form.

Once the NCAA receives all information, including your payment, NCAA will send you an initial clearing statement.

- STEP 5:** On or after April 1st of your senior year, you must request the Final Amateurism Certification for each sport that you will participate in. Log back into your account at www.eligibilitycenter.org. Click on MY PLANNER and select the red “Request Final Amateurism” button and follow the instructions.
- STEP 6:** At the end of your senior year, the Guidance Office will ask you to complete a “Senior Questionnaire.” On this questionnaire, you should note where you want the Guidance Office to send your final transcript. Be sure to indicate that your final transcript should be sent to NCAA. After you graduate, the Guidance Office will send the transcript and you will then receive a final clearing statement from the NCAA.

**TO COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION, YOU WILL NEED THE
HUNTINGDON AREA HIGH SCHOOL CEEB CODE: 391860**

**Additional information:
NCAA Eligibility Center
Certification Processing
P.O. Box 7136
Indianapolis, IN 46207
Service Hours: M – F Noon – 4:00 pm Eastern Time
Toll Free: 877-262-1492
FAX: 319-337-5100**

NCAA Registration Checklist

Below is a list of items that you may want to have prepared prior to beginning your registration with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

Allow at least **15 minutes to one hour** to register completely. If you need to exit and come back at a later time, you can save and exit once your account has been created.

- **Valid E-mail Address.** You need a valid e-mail address that you check regularly for any possible updates that the Eligibility Center might send. If you do not currently have one, there are several providers who provide free accounts (e.g., AOL, Gmail, Hotmail, Yahoo, etc).
- **Basic Personal Information.** This includes information such as your name, gender, date of birth, contact information and a list of any other countries in which you have lived.
- **Basic Education History.** This includes a list of all high schools or secondary schools you have attended and the dates during which you attended them.
- **Additional Coursework.** This includes details pertaining to any coursework you may have taken in addition to your normal high school or secondary school education (e.g., courses taken to improve a grade, summer school courses taken at a location other than your high school or secondary school, courses taken at a college or junior college, or any type of correspondence or internet courses).
- **Sports Participation History.** This includes details for any teams with which you have practiced or played or certain events in which you may have participated, as well as information about any individuals that have advised you or marketed your skills in a particular sport.
- **Payment.** The Eligibility Center accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. If you are a U.S. resident, you can choose to pay by electronic check. Some individuals *may* qualify to apply for a fee waiver.

SCHOLARSHIPS

2015-16

- ✓ This is a general guideline to help students locate scholarships.
- ✓ Students should listen to announcements and check the high school's page on the district website for updates.
- ✓ Log on to www.huntsd.org, click on "Schools," then "High School," the "HS Guidance."
- ✓ Look for "Scholarship Listing 15-16" for a copy of *this* list, as well as "Current Scholarship Information" for a listing of current scholarships the Guidance Office was notified about.

General Scholarship Resources on the web...

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarship.com

www.petersons.com

www.collegenet.com

www.applyists.net

www.scholarships4students.com

www.Scholarships360.org

www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search

www.zinch.com/scholarships

www.chegg.com/scholarships

[Weekly Scholarship Alert](#) – 105 notices of scholarships sent every week. No charge...only name and e-mail address required. www.WeeklyScholarshipAlert.org

www.Key.com – free college planning guide, scholarship sweepstakes

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APPLY IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER

ROTC- NROTC- Four, three and two year scholarships available. The application process begins early in the senior year, and potentially as early as the junior year. Deadlines vary. Must meet GPA, SAT requirements, and pass physical standards. Scholarships can be significant with full-tuition and a living stipend. May require a commitment to serve as an officer for several years following graduation. See these websites for more information:

<http://www.nrotc.navy.mil/scholarships.aspx>

www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.jsp

Wendy's High School Heisman – This is a recognition program for male and female senior athletes who exhibit excellence in the classroom, on the field and within their communities. To register and begin the application process, visit www.wendysheisman.com. **Deadline: October 2, 2015 by 6:00 pm**

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APPLY IN OCTOBER

Coca-Cola Scholars- Please visit online at <http://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/applicants/#programs>. Paper applications are not accepted. **Students must apply online.** Awards are granted in amounts ranging between \$4,000 and \$20,000. **Deadline for online applications is October 31st of each year.**

Horatio Alger Scholarship – Based on financial need, co-curricular activities, community activities, and a GPA of 2.0 or higher. www.horatioalger.org/scholarships. **Deadline is October 15, 2015. Applications must be submitted online.**

Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student – 500 scholarships will be awarded to students pursuing a four-year degree on a full-time basis in a college or university in the United States. Applications and additional information are available at www.elks.org. **Due to local Elks Lodge December 4, 2015**

APPLY IN NOVEMBER

Big 33- Applications are available in the guidance office or can be downloaded at www.big33.org. **Applications will be available online in November.**

Burger King Scholarship – Students who have a 2.5 GPA or higher can apply. **Applications accepted November through January. Apply online at <http://www.haveityourwayfoundation.org>**

Pearce Law Firm Aspiring Attorney Scholarship – This scholarship is judged primarily on academic achievement, but financial need will also be considered. You must plan on seeking a law-oriented degree. Apply online at <http://thepearcelawfirm.com/aspiring-scholarship/> by **December 31st.**

SAE Engineering Scholarships- Society of Automotive Engineers. Corporate and university sponsored scholarships ranging from \$400 to full tuition. Applications are available online at <http://students.sae.org/awdscholar/scholarships/>. **Deadline is January 15th.**

National FFA Scholarship Program - Approximately \$2 million in scholarships available through the National FFA Collegiate Scholarship Program. Visit <https://www.ffa.org> after **November 15th** for more information and applications. **Deadline is February 1st.**

Sam Walton Community Scholars program- Various scholarships are available for Associates and dependents of Associates. Visit foundation.walmart.com/our-focus/associate-scholarships

APPLY IN DECEMBER

PSECU Scholarship Program - \$8000 to graduating members intending to pursue a 2 or 4 year program. Students **MUST** apply for PSECU membership through PSECU by the end of December. **Scholarship applications are usually due February 15th of each year, but you must be a member before December 31st. Information is available at www.psecu.com.**

AXA Achievement Scholarship – Looking for students with ambition and drive; determination to set and reach goals; respect for self, family and community; and ability to succeed. Download the application online at <https://us.axa.com> and click on AXA Foundation and Scholarships at the bottom of the page. Typically, **must be postmarked no later than February 15th of each year.**

John S. Morrison Scholarship- This is a FULL scholarship given to one Huntingdon County student each year. Students must attend Carnegie Mellon University, Cornell University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Stevens Institute of Technology or Yale University and major in Engineering, Physics, Computer Science, Physical Science or Applied Mathematics. Selection based on GPA, class rank, SAT/ACT scores and National Merit Scholarship test results. **Applications typically must be postmarked by December 31 of each year. If you are planning on attending one of the schools noted above, please see HAHS’s College Advisor for information on this scholarship.**

Pennsylvania Masonic Youth Foundation Scholarships – Scholarship, grant and loan opportunities primarily available for Masons, their siblings, children, grandchildren and members of the Masonic-related youth groups. Application deadlines vary. Visit www.pmyf.org

Elks National Foundation Legacy Awards – Legacy Awards are \$1,000 per year awards open to child, grandchild, stepchild, step-grandchild, or legal ward of a living Elk who joined the order on or before a specific date. See the website, www.elks.org, for more specific information and application procedures.

PA American Legion Essay Contest – Various scholarships are available. Visit www.pa-legion.com/programs/student-programs/scholarships.

APPLY IN JANUARY

National Honor Society Scholarships – For members of National Honor Society. Information and applications available online at www.nhs.us. **Applications are typically due in January. See your NHS adviser, your Guidance Counselor or the College Adviser if interested.**

APPLY IN FEBRUARY

PSECU Scholarship Program - \$8000 to graduating members intending to pursue a 2 or 4 year program. Students **MUST** apply for membership through PSECU by December 28th. **Applications must be submitted to PSECU no later than February 15th. Information is available at www.psecu.com.**

American Fire Sprinkler Association – Essay contest in which a different theme is chosen for high school seniors to research and write about. Visit www.afsascholarship.org to apply. Award \$2000. **Deadline is usually beginning of April.**

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

These scholarships are available at various times, but mostly in the Spring. Listen to morning and afternoon announcements and CHECK THE WEBSITE FREQUENTLY!

Ted Braxton Creative Arts Scholarship (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) – The purpose of this scholarship is to honor Ted Braxton by supporting the life-long creative potential of Huntingdon Area High School students. Students must develop a creative portfolio demonstrating their participation in various arts. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Henry and Estella Stoudt – (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) \$1000 one-time scholarship available to any senior. Students submit application and materials, and participate in a mandatory interview. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Brighter Future Scholarship – (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship). Numerous scholarships are given to active Valley Rural Electric members or dependents of members. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available. They are usually due April 15th.**

Richard and Mary Hudy Teaching Scholarship – (LOCAL Spring Scholarship) Student must enroll in a teaching program at the university or college level. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Soroptomist Club – (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) Two or three awards given by various departments of the Huntingdon High School. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Bette Jane Heine and Cindy Taylor Memorial Scholarships through the JC Blair Auxiliary- (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) Two scholarships available for students entering a registered nursing program. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Standing Stone Garden Club –(LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) – This is for seniors planning to further their education in horticulture, floriculture, landscape architecture, conservation, forestry, botany, plant pathology, environmental control, city planning or land management. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Clearfield Bank and Trust Company (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) – Academic scholarship offered to local senior. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Edgar Snyder and Associates (LOCAL – Fall Scholarship) – This is an essay scholarship contest. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

The Paul Edward Mitchell and Joseph Raymond Mitchell Memorial Scholarship – (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship) Established through a trust fund with Omega Bank in Huntingdon. This award is to go to a deserving student within Huntingdon County that intends to pursue a post-secondary degree and enter into a medical profession. First priority is given to those entering pre-medicine programs. Criteria considered is grade point average, class rank and SAT scores. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

M.H. DeForrest Memorial Scholarship (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship)- for students accepted into a criminal Justice Program. Details are available in the guidance office. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Woodcock Valley Lions Club- (LOCAL - Spring Scholarship) Four or more scholarships are available. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Broad Top Area Medical (LOCAL- Spring Scholarship) Two scholarships awarded to students planning to study in the medical field. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Sons of American Legion – Post 24 (LOCAL – Spring Scholarship). This is a \$500 essay scholarship sponsored by the SAL – Post 24. **The Guidance Office will post it on the website when it becomes available.**

Internet Resources on Financial Aid, Scholarships and Financial Literacy

PENNSYLVANIA HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AGENCY (PHEAA):

www.aessuccess.org Create an account, manage student loans, learn about repayment, deferments, etc., get forms and student loan information.

www.educationplanner.org Premier college and career planning website, national college search, essay writer, resume writer, college admission and decision guidance, financial aid information, calculators for EFC and loan repayment, free scholarship search and much more!

www.pheaa.org PHEAA's main website for financial aid information, funding higher education. Students can create accounts, complete forms, check program status and more.

www.youcandealwithit.com Learn how to manage your money, student loans, budget and credit cards.

PASFAA:

www.pasfaa.org/ Professional financial aid administrator's website. Information on financial aid, colleges, debt management, and many other resources.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

<http://fafsa.ed.gov>/ or <http://fafsa.gov>/ Official site for completing the FAFSA online, checking status of FAFSA, and making corrections.

<http://fafsa4caster.ed.gov>/ Estimate EFC and eligibility for federal student aid.

<http://pin.ed.gov>/ Official site for students and parents to obtain necessary personal identification number (PIN) used to sign FAFSA and loan documents online.

<http://studentaid.ed.gov>/ U.S. Dept. of Education web portal for information on preparing and funding education beyond high school.

ARMED FORCES:

www.goarmy.com/ U.S. Army

www.goarmy.com/reserve/ U.S. Army Reserves

www.1-800-go-guard.com/ National Guard

www.navy.com/ U.S. Navy

www.airforce.com/ U.S. Air Force

www.marines.com/ U.S. Marines

www.gocoastguard.com/ U.S. Coast Guard

www.militaryscholar.org/ Information portal for finding scholarships related to military service.

www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.jsp/ Army ROTC scholarships

www.afrotc.com/scholarships/ Air Force ROTC scholarships

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES:

www.ala.org/ala/educationcareers/education/scholarships/index.cfm American Library Association scholarship program

www.blackxel.org/100minority.htm/ Free minority scholarship search

www.brokescholar.com/ Free scholarship search

www.collegeanswer.com/paying/scholarship_search/pay_scholarship_search/ Free search

http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp/ College Board scholarship search and information

www.collegescholarships.org/ Free scholarship search

www.collegesportsscholarships.com/ NAIA and NCAA athletic scholarship information

www.collegenet.com/mach25/ Database of over 600,000 awards totaling over \$1.6 billion

www.collegetreasure.com/scholarengine.html/ Free scholarship search

www.fastaid.com/ Free scholarship search

www.fastweb.com/ Free scholarship search

www.finaid.org/ Information about scholarship process, financial aid, scholarship scams, and links to fastweb.org scholarship base.

www.financialaidfinder.com/category/scholarships/ List of scholarships and financial aid information.

www.hsf.net/ Hispanic Scholarship Fund

www.iefacenter.org/ International Education Financial Aid. The IEFA Center offers financial aid, college scholarships, grants and awards search for international students studying abroad.

www.internationalscholarships.com/ Information on financial aid, college scholarships and international scholarships for students wishing to study abroad.

www.internationalstudent.com/scholarships/ International scholarship search

www.lulac.org/programs/scholar.html Hispanic students' scholarships

www.marshallscholarship.org/ Marshall scholarships finance young Americans of high ability to study for a degree in the United Kingdom.

www.naacp.org/youth/scholarships/information NAACP scholarship information and application.

national.nsbe.org/Programs/Scholarships/NSBEScholarshipPolicy/tabid/126/Default.aspx/ National Society of Black Engineers scholarships

www.ncsasports.org/recruiting-tools: Beyond simply finding college athletic scholarships for students, NCSA specializes in matching college coaches with qualified student athletes as well as guiding each student-athlete and family through the recruiting process

www.newscholarships.org/ New and innovative scholarships

www.scholarships.com/ Free scholarship search

www.scholarshipexperts.com/ Free scholarship search

scholarships.ptk.org/ PHI Theta Kappa scholarship opportunities

societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/ Society of Women Engineers scholarships

www.studentsawards.com/ Free scholarship search

www.supercollege.com Free scholarship search

www.usfirst.org/community/frc/content.aspx?id=508/ List of scholarships

FINANCIAL LITERACY:

www.360financialliteracy.org/ Lots of good tools to help parents teach kids about financial literacy. Lots of information, too, on saving for college.

www.bankrate.com/brm/news/special/20000816.asp/ Article warns that financial illiteracy is at an alarming state among young people.

www.handsonbanking.org/ Impressive website with financial literacy information for elementary school students, young adults, teens and adults.

www.indebted.com/ Financial literacy website supported by MTV. It is very good and informative.

www.jumpstart.org/ An organization dedicated to promoting financial literacy.

www.jumpstart.org/realitycheck/ A very useful and fun tool to show students how much they have to earn to support their choice of lifestyle. Really cool and informative!!!

www.kiplinger.com/ Financial literacy and information for the entire family.

www.moneysenseacademy.com/ Talks about “Money Camp” for kids where campers ages 10 to 13 learn firsthand the principles of money.

www.moneysmartworld.com/ Keep up to date on topics like tips for teaching children about money, taking control of your finances, financial literacy in the classroom, and much more.

www.nroc.careerforward.org/careerforward/ Financial literacy information for middle and high school students.

www.prosperity4kids.com/ Financial literacy for young children.

www.themint.org/ Tips for parents, kids and teachers on financial literacy.

www.pbs.org/ Look for information on “Kids and Cash.”

www.usmint.gov/kids/teachers/financialliteracy.cfm/ Important lessons for young people on financial literacy.