



PREPPING FOR COLLEGE

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES



- ◆ University of Notre Dame Pre-College Program – precollege.nd.edu.
- ◆ Syracuse University Summer College for High School Students – July 1-August 9. <http://summercollege.syr.edu>
- ◆ Summer @ USC – 2 or 4 week programs – summer@usc.edu.
- ◆ California State Summer School for the Arts – July 11-August 9. Cssa.ca.gov
- ◆ Summer Discovery Pre-College Enrichment & Internships. Summerdiscovery.com, discoveryinternships.com.
- ◆ Carnegie Mellon Summer Pre-College Program www.cmu.edu/enrollment/pre-college.
- ◆ Otis College of Art and Design Summer of Art – July 1-July 26. www.otis.edu/soa.
- ◆ UC Davis School of Education Young Scholars Program – <http://ysp.ucdavis.edu>
- ◆ Sports Industry Academy at UCSB – July 19 – July 26. Sportsacademy.com/apply
- ◆ Summer at UCLA – www.summer.ecla.edu
- ◆ Stanford High School Summer Program – Begins June 23. summer.stanford.edu
- ◆ Babson College Summer Study – Multiple programs for sophomores and juniors. www.babson.edu/summerstudy
- ◆ George Washington University Pre-College Program – precollege.gwu.edu
- ◆ Occidental Pre-College Program – June 15-June 22
- ◆ Assumption College (Massachusetts) - June 22-June 27. www.assumption.edu/summerprogram



SAT/ACT/PSAT TEST PREP & TUTORING SERVICES

- ◆ ACT www.actexampracticetests.com ACT Online Prep (fax) 1 (319) 337-1467
- ◆ Bobrow Test Prep Services www.bobrowtestprep.com/index 1-800-426-2769; 1-818-8981 prepinfo@bobrowtest.com
- ◆ Bright Apple Tutoring www.brightappletutoring.com 10-888-847-0033 or 1-805-376-0033 info@brightappletutoring.com
- ◆ Cambridge Educational Systems www.cambridgeed.com/selstudy.htm 1-847-299-2930
- ◆ Catalyst Prep Company www.catalystprep.com 1-800-235-0056 ; email: jaredf@catalystprep.com
- ◆ Collegeboard (SAT/PSAT) www.collegeboard.com;
- ◆ Conejo Valley Adult School www.conejo.tec.ca.us/Academic/sat.htm
- ◆ Compass Prep www.cmpassprep.com
- ◆ ELITE <http://eliteprep.com>
- ◆ Eureka! www.eurekareview.com 1-877-463-8735
- ◆ Huntington learning Center www.huntingtonlearning.com 1-800-226-5327. Email: todd:sain@verizon.net
- ◆ Ivy West Educational Services: www.ivywest.com
- ◆ Kaplan Test Prep www.kaptest.com 1-800-527-8378
- ◆ Knowledge Points www.knowledgepoints.com
- ◆ Peterson's Test Prep www.peterson's.com
- ◆ The Princeton Review www.princetonreview.com 1-800-273-8439
- ◆ Revolution Prep www.revolutionprep.com
- ◆ RMASS www.rmass.com 1-877-927-8378
- ◆ SMASH www.smashseminar.com/HOME.html
- ◆ Sylvan Learning Center Camarillo 805-431-5826 Ventura 805-658-1831 WLW 805-698-9195
- ◆ Taming The Sat www.tamingthesat.org 1-800-761-3086
- ◆ Test Prep Review www.testprepreview.com
- ◆ Ventura Adult School www.tdctraining.com 805-289-7925
- ◆ Ventura College Community Services Dept. 805-654-6400 x 6300 or 654-6300
- ◆ Ventura County Library www.vencollibrary.org 805-477-7331



Attention Juniors...

Does the College Search and Application process worry you?

Let the college counselors help!

**St. Bonaventure High School
College Application Boot Camp**

Dates: August 4, 7, 8, 9

Time: 8:30am – 12:30pm

Location: SBHS Room 607

Cost: \$125

Instructor: Mrs. Lajoie, SBHS Counselor

This is a 4-day, comprehensive and interactive workshop that includes information on an overview of the college application process, factors to consider in choosing schools, research and exploration tools, major selection, college application materials, organization of components of application materials, personal statements and essays, letters of recommendation, SAT/ACT preparation resources, NCAA requirements and compiling a complete college application. Students are asked to arrive prepared with a list of schools they would like to apply to or be prepared to compile a list during the first part of the workshop. Students will receive individual instruction and guidance relevant to the application process. The objective of the workshop is that students leave prepared to send applications (minus letters of recommendation) to their list of chosen schools.

DETACH AND RETURN TO MRS. LAJOIE WITH PAYMENT (Cash or check) BY MAY 27, 2017
Space is limited so return your registration form ASAP!

Registration Form

Name _____

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone (home) _____ (Student cell) _____ (Parent cell) _____

Student Email Address _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Email _____



In the home stretch

Graduating seniors are nearing the finish line of college planning. Though it may seem like the hard work is finished, it's no time to give in to "senioritis."

More and more colleges and universities are carefully monitoring grades and extracurricular involvement throughout senior year. Keep up on schoolwork and extracurricular leadership roles.

Decisions still need to be made. Financial aid offers will arrive soon, if they haven't already, and this may impact attendance decisions. Review offers—and all of the other decision-making factors—when choosing a school. It is possible to appeal a financial aid package, but often the first offer will be the best one.

Start thinking about how to spend your summer after graduation. Would a job provide more perspective on a future career? Is volunteering a wise use of time? How about getting a head start on your freshman year by taking courses at a local college that will transfer to your institution of choice? Now is a good time to decide how you'll spend your time between graduation and the fall term.

Checklists for high school juniors and seniors

The school year may be coming to a close, but there's still college planning work to do! Keep the following in mind:

For juniors:

- List, compare and visit colleges
- Take the ACT test
- Prepare a target list of college campus visits
- Prepare questions for each visit
- Compare college costs

Visit www.actstudent.org/college/11.html for more college planning resources

For seniors:

- If not already done, complete the FAFSA right away and submit it for financial aid consideration
- Watch for the Student Aid Report (SAR), which should arrive in your mail about four weeks after the FAFSA is filed
- Visit colleges that have invited you to enroll
- Track important financial aid and scholarship deadlines, submitting forms as needed
- Compare financial aid packages offered by different schools
- Decide which school to attend and notify the school
- Track and observe deadlines for submitting all required fees and paperwork to the school
- Notify the schools you will not be attending of your decision
- Read, sign and send in the promissory note if borrowing money
- Notify the college you will be attending of any outside scholarships you receive
- Have your counselor send your final transcript in May or June to the college you will be attending



Careers

Choosing a career is a big decision, but you don't have to sweat it—planning for your future is not something you do once. It's a continuous process.

One way to start is by exploring your career options in the "world of work." Sign up for a student account and use the interactive World-of-Work Map which graphically shows how occupations relate to each other based on work tasks.

When you receive scores from one of ACT's assessments, you also receive a personalized report that suggests map regions and career areas on the World-of-Work Map for you to explore.

The World-of-Work Map covers all U.S. jobs. A career area's location is based on its primary work tasks—working with:

- **Data:** Facts, numbers, files, and business procedures
- **Ideas:** Knowledge, insights, theories, and new ways of saying or doing something
- **People:** Care, services, leadership, and sales

Things: Machines, tools, living things, and materials such as food, wood, or metal Math and science required for fastest growing careers

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook, 15 of the 20 fastest growing careers of the next decade require math and science proficiency. Some of the fastest growing fields include network systems and data communications analysts, home healthcare providers, computer software engineers, medical assistants, veterinarians and financial analysts.

Though not all of these positions require four-year degrees, they do require strong abilities in math and science. ACT recommends students take a minimum of three years of math (Algebra I and higher—not including general math, business math or consumer math) and at least three years of natural sciences (Earth science, biology, chemistry, physics, etc.)

Look at your EXPLORE, PLAN and ACT scores for some guidance in career planning. Consult your school counselor for suggestions on classes to enhance your knowledge set. Visit [ACT's World-of-Work Map](#) to see careers that align with your skills and interests. Use this information to plan beyond high school and into a career.

ACT helps parents prepare for college, too

College planning can be difficult not only for the student, but for parents, too. For parents who need tips on sorting through the ins and outs of college planning, we offer act.org/path/parent as an online guide to understanding this process.

The website offers college and career planning checklists, frequently asked questions about the ACT, and other general information that parents may find helpful in assisting a student transitioning into college.

In addition to the various college and career planning resources, actparent.org also provides access to current and past issues of the monthly *ACT Parent* newsletter. *ACT Parent* provides timely information on financial aid, testing and more. While visiting the website, parents can sign up to be one of the first to receive the electronic newsletter in their e-mail inbox each month.

Parents are among the most influential people in a teenager's life. At act.org/path/parent, gain the knowledge needed to become a mentor for your teen through this time of discovery and decisions.

ACT also offers a newsletter for Spanish-speaking parents. It's called *Padres ACTivos* and you'll find it at act.org/path/spanish/news.

ACT is on Twitter!

Follow us on Twitter for daily updates on upcoming registration deadlines, test taking tips and other helpful "tweets." Sign up and [follow ACTStudent today](#).



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SENIORS

- ◆ BigSun Organization Scholarship: \$500, 1 award. Applicants must be student athletes. <http://bigsunathletics.com/>. Deadline: June 18, 2017.
- ◆ Abbott and Fenner Scholarship Program: Abbott & Fenner Business Consultants are pleased to be able to continue with our scholarship program for the 6th year. They will be awarding up to \$1,000 to the winner(s) each year. Scholarship Deadline - June 14, 2017. Students will submit an essay on the topic that appears on the scholarship page of our web site: <http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm>.
- ◆ Olivas Links Senior Men's Golf Club: College bound senior, 3.0 GPA. See Mrs. Lajoie for application. Deadline: May 10, 2017
- ◆ Sunrise and East Ventura Optimist Clubs : Two \$1,000 scholarships. Essay subject: Optimism should be a priority. See Mrs. Lajoie for application. Deadline: May 5, 2016.
- ◆ The Fisher & Talwar: \$1,000 Legal Inspiration Scholarship is now available to students currently pursuing or plan on pursuing a college degree. To qualify for this scholarship: 1. Must be a U.S. citizen. 2. Must be a full-time student who is currently attending (or planning to attend full-time) an accredited institution of higher education. 3. Must provide proof of current enrollment or plans to enroll in an accredited institution of higher education. If you have not received acceptance, you may still apply, but be sure to provide proof of acceptance and enrollment for the scholarship to be released. 4. Must have a minimum of 3.0 GPA. The deadline for application submissions is November 15, 2017. Qualifying students can apply here: <http://www.fishertalwar.com/scholarship/>