

Marching on

This month brings two great things — warmer temperatures and spring break! Don't let the beautiful weather distract you though — there are several important things you should be doing. FAFSA season is almost over, testing time is around the corner and prep for next year is just beginning. In between evenings outside and spring vacations, try to keep your grades up and your mind focused on creating your best possible future.

Remember Me

ACT Registration

March 4

SAT Test Date

March 5

SAT Registration

April 8

ACT Test Date

April 9

ACT Registration

May 6

SAT Test Date

May 7

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High School Students

- Juniors, you'll be taking the ACT this spring. Be prepared by trying some [practice questions](#).
- Summer is just around the corner. Use your time off school to job shadow a few professionals to get a better idea of what you would like to do in the future.
- If you're registering for next semester, carefully consider courses that will truly [prepare](#) you for college and a career.

High School Seniors

- If you haven't completed the [2016-2017 FAFSA](#) yet, make it a priority in the next few weeks. There are still a few [FAFSA Frenzy](#) events planned in March to provide free help to you and your family. Find a complete list of sites [online](#).
- Before completing your FAFSA, register for your [FSA ID](#). You and at least one of your parents will each need to create an FSA ID in order to sign the FAFSA electronically.
- You need to complete the FAFSA in order to be considered for federal and [state financial aid](#). Check with your intended college for its financial aid deadline and be sure you complete the FAFSA by April 1 to be eligible for the [Access Missouri Grant](#).
- If you already submitted your FAFSA but need to make [corrections](#), log back on to [FAFSA.ed.gov](#) and make your changes as soon as possible.
- June is the last month 2016 graduates can take the [ACT](#) or [SAT](#) in order to qualify for some scholarships, including Bright Flight, for the fall 2016 semester. If you need to improve your score, register now for an upcoming test.
- The SAT has changed. Now there is no penalty for guessing, and there are free practice tests and an optional essay. [Check it out!](#)

FAFSA Reminder!

High school seniors and returning college students must complete the FAFSA prior to April 1 in order to meet eligibility requirements for the Access Missouri Grant.

College Students

- If you plan to be enrolled again next fall, complete the 2016-2017 [FAFSA](#). Visit the financial aid office if you need help or have questions.
- Complete your FAFSA by April 1 in order to meet eligibility for the [Access Missouri Grant](#). Check with your school to find out their institutional deadline, which may be earlier.
- If you [completed your FAFSA](#), check over your [Student Aid Report](#) for accuracy.
- Consider taking summer courses to help you graduate on time or early.
- Have you started applying for summer internships? [Update your resume](#) and get to it!
- If you are a recipient of [Bright Flight](#) or the [A+ Scholarship](#), keep in mind that as a renewal student, a 2.5 cumulative GPA is required to continue receiving the award.

Parents

- The [2016-2017 FAFSA](#) should be completed as soon as possible if you have a high school senior or returning college student. If you've already filed, here are [5 things](#) to do now.
- If you have multiple college students, transfer your information from one FAFSA to another by clicking the "begin a new application with your parents' information already filled in" on the confirmation page.
- If you filed a FAFSA using estimated tax information from 2014, remember to log back on at [FAFSA.ed.gov](#) as soon as possible to [update it with your 2015 information](#). You may be able to input the information using the [IRS data retrieval tool](#).