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- Testing Dates for ACT for 2014-2015
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COLLEGE & CAREER INFORMATION

- Benedictine College will be hosting their annual Raven Days for prospective students. Raven Days will be held January 19th, February 16th, March 20th, March 27th, April 10th, or April 24th. For more information, go to www.benedictine.edu/apply/visit/raven-day.
- Truman State University will be hosting preview days for prospective students. They will be held Saturday, January 24th, Saturday, March 21st, or Saturday, April 25th. For more information or to register for the event, go to www.truman.edu/admission-cost/visit-truman/showcases.
- Loyola University Maryland will be hosting their visit days for prospective students. The visit days will be January 24th, February 15th, March 14th or April 25th. For more information, go to www.loyola.edu/undergraduate/visit/open-houses/saturday.
- The University of Nebraska: Lincoln will be hosting visit days for prospective students. Red Letter Day will be held on February 6th, 16th, 20th, 27th, March 13th, and April 13th and 17th. For more information or to register for either event, go to admissions.unl.edu/visit/on-campus/red-letter-days.
- The University of Central Missouri will be hosting preview days for prospective students. Red Days will be held Monday, February 9th, Monday, February 16th, Friday, March 6th or Friday, March 27th. For more information, to register for the event, or to find a visit day for a specific program, go to www.ucmo.edu/undergrad/visit/oncampus.
- Seton Hall University will be hosting a visit day for prospective students. It will be February 15. For more information or to register for the event, go to www.shu.edu/visiting.
- The University of Missouri: Kansas City will be hosting preview days for prospective students. Preview Days will be held February 16th, March 14th, and April 11th. For more information or to register for the event, go to www.umkc.edu/welcome/.
- The University of Missouri: Columbia will be hosting visit days for prospective students. Meet Mizzou Day will be held Saturday, February 21st, Saturday, April 11th, or Saturday, April 25th. Black & Gold Day will be held on Friday, February 13th, Friday, March 13th, or Friday, March 20th. For more information or to register for either event, go to admissions.missouri.edu/visit/index.
- Missouri Southern State University will be hosting visit days for prospective students. The visit days will be held on open house will be held on February 21st, March 7th, and April 11th. For more information or to register for the event, go to www.mssu.edu/office/admissions/campus-tours.
- The University of Nebraska-Lincoln is offering a summer workshop for current high school Juniors and Seniors. The workshops offered are Career Exploration: Architecture, Interior Design, & Landscape Architecture and Discover Landscape Architecture. Applications are available in Student Support. For more information on the workshops, contact Stephanie Kuenning at skuenning2@unl.edu.
- University of Kansas will be hosting a variety of specialized visit days. For more information or to register for the visit days and specific programs, go to http://admissions.ku.edu/visit.
- Fontbonne University will be hosting a variety of specialized visit days. For more information on the visit days and specific programs, call the Admissions Office at 314-889-1400.

College Rep Visits

If there are any colleges that you would like to see visit Staley, please contact Mrs. Wiggins in Student Support and she will attempt to arrange a representative to visit.

- ***Students must be in 11th or 12th grade to attend college visits.***
- ***Students must sign up with Mrs. Wiggins in Student Support to attend visit and receive pass by 2 PM the day before the visit.***

There are over 300 Valuable College & Career books and resources are available in the Staley LMC. Scholarship books, college information, career searches, college guides for student athletes, ACT prep, SAT prep, resources for parents and students! Check out the LMC today!!!

College Informational Files

Student Support has been working to improve the college informational files for our students. There are currently over 170 files on colleges from across the country. The files are for students to look through in order to aid them in their college choice and many of them have extra materials available for students to take.

QUESTIONS TO ASK COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES

Describe the size, location, and culture of the college.

Does the college offer the major that you're interested in studying?

What are the admissions policies and standards along with requirements and deadlines?

What financial aid and scholarship opportunities are available?

What is the academic reputation of the college?

Does the college have a clear plan for your ultimate graduation from that school?

What organization accredits the college?

Who teaches the undergraduate students?

What living arrangements are available?

What extracurricular activities are offered?

Free Online Tutoring

*Mid-Continent Public Library offers free online tutoring everyday from 3 to 11 PM. Subjects covered are math, science, social studies, and writing for secondary grades as well as some at the introductory college level. For more information, go to www.mcpl.lib.mo.us

College Tours

Seniors and Juniors are encouraged to visit colleges and universities that they are interested in attending. The Campus Visit form is available in Student Support. The completed form, including parent, teacher, and counselor signatures, must be returned to Student Services before the visit. College visits are considered excused absences and do not count toward attendance consequences if the form is completed in advance.

Virtual College Tours

Is your top college choice too far away to visit? Do a virtual tour of the college instead. Many schools have virtual tours on their websites. You can also check out hundreds of colleges on www.youniversity.com.

The American Council of Trustees and Alumni have launched a new website, What Will They Learn.com. This website asks a simple question about today's students: What will they learn? Specifically, will they gain the knowledge and skills they need to compete in the global marketplace, lead our nation thoughtfully, and be lifelong learners? Many college guides and ranking systems measure institutions' prestige and reputation, but no guide has looked at what students are actually required to learn. This is what this website will give you. If your school is not listed you may call (202) 467-6787 to receive more information or go to www.whatwilltheylearn.com.

Attention senior male students

Almost all male U.S. citizens, and male aliens living in the U.S., who are 18 through 25, are required to register with Selective Service. It's important to know that even though he is registered, a man will not automatically be inducted into the military. In a crisis requiring a draft, men would be called in sequence determined by random lottery number and year of birth. Then, they would be examined for mental, physical and moral fitness by the military before being deferred or exempted from military service or inducted into the Armed Forces.

Registering for Selective Service is required in filling out the FAFSA, and it is required for the Missouri A+ Program. To register online, log on to www.sss.gov

ACT and SAT Info

Students who plan to go directly to a 4 year college after high school need to take the ACT or the SAT test beginning in the second semester of their junior year. It is recommended that students take the tests a minimum of two times. Students planning on going to college in the Midwest need only take the ACT test. Students planning to attend a highly selective university or a college on either coast should take the SAT. Please visit your students' college of choice's website to find out which exam is required.

2014—2015 Test Dates for ACT

COST: $38.00

Test Date	Registration Deadline	*(Late Fee Required)*	Photo Upload Deadline
February 7, 2015	January 9	January 10 – 16	January 30
April 18, 2015	March 13	March 14 – 27	April 10
June 13, 2015	May 8	May 9 – 22	June 5

2014-2015 Test Dates for SAT

COST: $52.50

Test Date	Registration Deadline	*(Late Fee Required)*
January 24, 2015	December 29	January 13
March 14, 2015	February 13	March 3
May 2, 2015	April 6	April 21
June 5, 2015	May 8	May 27

ACT Prep

Staley High School will be offering ACT Prep opportunities for upcoming ACT exams.
For more information or to register for one of the prep sessions, contact Mrs. Wiggins in Student Support at 816-413-4103 or at stephanie .wiggins@nkcschools.org.

The Staley Counseling Website is filled with helpful information like college planning for each grade level and information about financial aid and scholarships for college. Be sure to take a peek!

sthscounseling.weebly.com/

LOOKING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?

sthscounseling.weebly.com

"PAYING FOR COLLEGE"

CareerCruising.com

Scholarships, Resume, Career Information, College Searches, Interest Inventories

Login

User Name = Student Email

Lunch Number @ nkcschools.org

Password = Lunch Number

CAREER EXPLORATION

Exploring is a career program for students that helps them make a more informed decision about future careers . It also helps them determine if a particular career is right for them.

Exploring leaders volunteer their time to offer real-world career experiences by providing practical experience in a specific career field. Some of the career fields offered are Fire & Emergency Services, Law Enforcement, Health & Medicine, Public Service, Business and more. For more information, go to www.exploringkc.org.

Summer Opportunites!

- Bank of America Student Leaders Program is a summer internship opportunity for high school Juniors & Seniors. Student Leaders will spend several weeks in Washington, D.C. as a paid intern for a local non-profit organization developing leadership and career skills. The application deadline is January 31st. For more information or to apply to the program, go to www.bofa.com/studentleaders.
- The University of Missouri: Columbia is offering a summer program for students interested in a career in medicine. MU's High School Mini Medical School is available to current high school Juniors. The application deadline is March 1st. For more information or to register for the program, go to http://medicine.missouri.edu/admissions.minimed.
- Washington University in St. Louis is offering several summer programs for high school students. For more information or to register for a specific program, go to summerexperiences.wustl.edu.
- New York University is offering summer programs for high school students during July. For more information, go to http://www.nyu.edu/admissions/precollege.html.
- Miami University is offering summer programs for high school students during July. For more information, go to http://miamioh.edu/admission/high-school/summer-scholars/.
- The University of Missouri: Columbia College of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources will be hosting summer academies for current 9th, 10th and 11th grade students. The deadline is May 1st. For more information, go to http://cafnr.missouri.edu/summer-academies/.
- Stanford University is offering summer programs for high school students during June and July. For more information, go to http://spcs.stanford.edu/.
- Syracuse University will be hosting several different summer academies. Students can choose from both credit and non-credit programs that are 2, 4, or 6 weeks long in a variety of academic departments. The deadline is May 15th. To learn about the different programs available, go to www.summercollege.syr.edu.
- The Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts will be hosting a Summer Session that is an intense, 5-week, academic enrichment program from students in grades 9-12. Students will choose classes to participate in during the day; academic classes in the morning and recreational classes in the afternoon. The application process begins in January. For more information or for the application, go to www.andover.edu/summer.
- Missouri University of Science & Technology will be hosting several different summer academies. To learn about the different programs available, go to summer.mst.edu, email precollege@mst.edu or call 573-341-4228
- Emory University is offering a Summer Pre-College Program to high school students that have completed their Sophomore or Junior year. Students will have the opportunity to earn college credit, live on campus, and participate in activities designed to prepare them for college life. For more information or to register, go to http://precollege.emory.edu/.
- Summer Discovery is an organization that provides internships, college credit, and enrichment courses to high school students each summer. To learn more about the opportunities available through Summer Discovery, go to www.summerdiscovery.com/.
- The Missouri Military Academy is hosting a leadership camp open to males age 14 to 17. The camp will provide leadership, team-building and physical training opportunities. For more information, go to www.MissouriMilitaryAcademy.org/summerprograms or call 573-581-1776, ext. 321.