

SO...YOU'RE A SENIOR!

Now What???



# Post-Graduation Plans

- 2 Year College
- 4 Year College
- Technical School
- Certificate Training
- Work Force
- Military



# Transcript

- Request transcripts through [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com)
- Transcripts include
  - Credits
  - Courses
  - Test Scores (ECA, SAT/ACT)
  - Diploma Type



What do I want to be when I  
grow up?



# Interest Inventory

- Will assist in ideas about career choices
- Identifies personality types
- Matches careers to personality type
- [www.learnmoreindiana.org](http://www.learnmoreindiana.org)
- <https://www.mynextmove.org/>
- <https://www.bls.gov/ooh/>



What tests do I need to take to  
get into college?



# “Old” SAT & ACT

- “Old” SAT

- Aptitude Test

- 3 components:
  - Critical Reasoning
  - Mathematics
  - Writing

\*\*\*SAT changed in March 2016

- ACT

- Achievement Test

- 5 components:
  - English
  - Mathematics
  - Reading
  - Science
  - Optional Writing



# “New” SAT

- 2 Scoring Components

- Evidenced-Based Reading & Writing
- Math
- Total Score out of 1600

- Essay Scores

- Reading
- Analysis
- Writing





# SAT/ACT

- Register for SAT online  
[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
- Register for ACT at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)
- Fee Waivers available (free & reduced lunch)
- School Code: 152990
- Lilly Scholarship
  - Requires SAT or ACT

# SAT Test Dates

## Test Date

August 26, 2017  
October 7, 2017  
November 4, 2017  
December 2, 2017  
March 10, 2018  
May 5, 2018  
June 2, 2018

## Registration Deadline

July 28, 2017  
September 8, 2017  
October 5, 2017  
November 2, 2017  
February 9, 2018  
April 25, 2018  
May 3, 2018

# ACT Test Dates

## Test Date

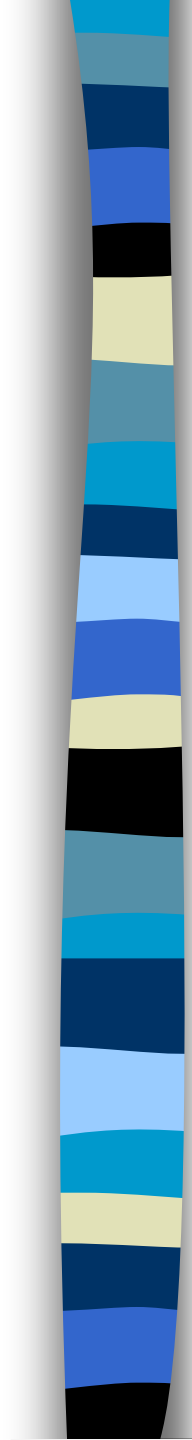
September 9, 2017  
October 28, 2017  
December 9, 2017  
February 10, 2018  
April 14, 2018  
June 9, 2018  
July 14, 2018

## Registration Deadline

August 4, 2017  
September 22, 2017  
November 3, 2017  
January 12, 2018  
March 9, 2018  
May 4, 2018  
June 15, 2018



# Choosing a College



\*Student needs to decide what is important to them (i.e. staying close to home, cost, program, athletics, etc.)

\*Make sure school has desired major



# College Applications

What are colleges looking for:

- student's academic program
- grades
- standardized tests
- activities (clubs, volunteer, sports, achievements, etc.)



# College Application Tips

- BE ORGANIZED!
- The EARLIER the better!
- Use a professional email address
- College GO Week: September 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>



# College Application Tips Cont'd

- 2 college days per semester
  - Must let Mrs. Billingsley know **BEFOREHAND**
  - Must bring something back from college you visited stating that you were there
- Be aware of deadlines!
- Colleges award most of their scholarship money by November





# College Application Tips

- After you apply, request transcript through [www.parchment.com](http://www.parchment.com)
- Must request electronic transcript
- Be aware of whether or not you need letters of recommendation and plan accordingly
- Do not wait until the last minute!



# Common Application

- [Commonapp.org](http://Commonapp.org)
- You can apply to several colleges with 1 application
- Butler, DePauw, Earlham, Goshen, Hanover, IU-Bloomington, Manchester, Purdue, St. Joseph's, St. Mary of the Woods, St. Mary's, Evansville, Indianapolis, Notre Dame, Valparaiso, Wabash
- Extensive; letters of recommendation, letter from school counselor, transcripts



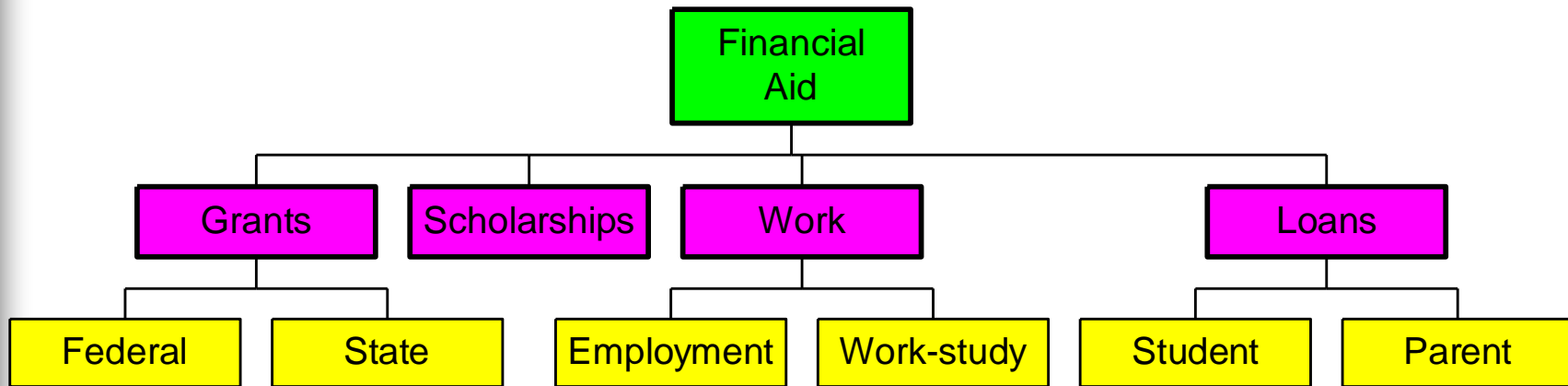
# Senior Profile

- Must be turned in to the office
- Be as detailed as possible
- Include community service, extra-curriculars activities, awards
- Don't forget parent/guardian section!



# How to pay for college

# Types of Financial Aid





# Grants

- Federal
  - State
  - Colleges
  - Do not have to be paid back
  - Usually demonstrate financial need
  - File Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) \*\*\*March 10, 2018
- \*\*\*Students can start filling out the FAFSA in October



# Scholarships

- Local
- State
- College or University
  
- Do not have to be paid back
- Do not pay application fee



# Work

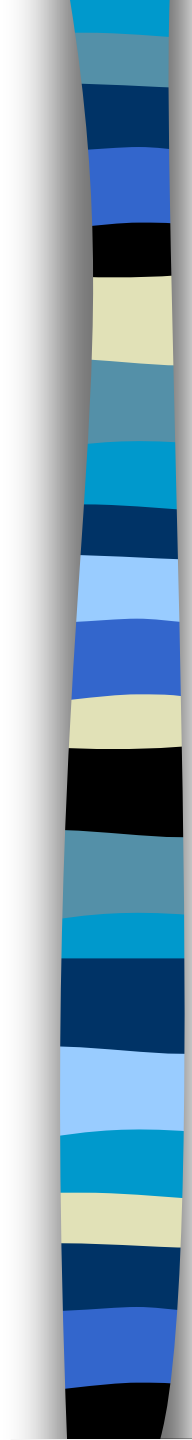
- Student employment
- Work-study
  - federal program
  - FAFSA required





# Loans

- Subsidized-no interest until after graduation
- Unsubsidized- interest accrued while in school
- Federal loans
  - lower interest rates
  - require FAFSA

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- Please call with questions or set up a meeting
  - RSHS: 438.2652
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