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## JMRHS SENIOR NEWSLETTER

### HOW MANY DAYS LEFT UNTIL GRADUATION????

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There are 159 days left until graduation. Then What???? Seniors should be making appointments with their counselor about their post-secondary plans.

#### GOING TO COLLEGE

Seniors should have their applications done by the first deadline of the college ( no later than Dec.1.)

Yes, even for community colleges that have open enrollment. Many programs are filling quickly due to the job market.

Don't forget Oct. 10th and 11th students will not be in school due to staff development days.  
**GREAT TIME FOR A COLLEGE VISIT.**

#### MILITARY????

See Mr. Shuping in room 805. He's JMRHS's contact with the recruiters.

#### JOB READY????

Make sure you are taking courses that will prepare you for entry level skills.

Collect letters of introduction and recommendation from teachers who know your strengths. Also check out the website [www.ncesc.com](http://www.ncesc.com).

No matter what your plans working with your counselor now will save you worry and frustration later

in the year.

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Students F-Li contact Mrs. Peacock ext. 1169 or [kpeacock@cabarrus.k12.nc.us](mailto:kpeacock@cabarrus.k12.nc.us)

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**TIME WILL PASS.  
WILL YOU????**

#### Special points of interest:

- ✓ Taking SAT or ACT? Check out these websites. [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) or [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).
- ✓ ACT Test Dates: Sept. 27th, Oct. 25th, and Dec. 13th.
- ✓ SAT Test Dates: Oct. 11, Nov. 1st, and Dec. 6th.
- ✓ Parent Night for seniors and their parents/guardians will be during Open House on Sept 16th. Panel discussions will be on a rotating basis every 20 minutes. This will be a great time to get your questions answered and pick up valuable information. Mini-sessions will be held in the Media Center.
- ✓ College Day at JMRHS on Oct. 30th at 1:15 PM-2:15 PM. Juniors, Seniors and Parents are welcome. College advisors will be available to answer questions and hand out materials.

#### College Open House Visits

For the most up to date information check out college web sites or the JMRHS site.

In the JMRHS Guidance Library you can pick a checklist for your campus visit and a list of questions to ask the college representative.

### COLLEGE INFORMATION HAS ARRIVED.

The JMRHS counselors attended a joint workshop with the college admissions counselors on Aug. 29th. Our guidance library is now filling with applications, catalogs, CDs, and scholarship information. Parents

and students are welcome to check it out. One important note many colleges and universities, prefer you apply on line, however paper applications are available. In fact you can do one on-line application at

[www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org) and send it to many college in NC. Also check out the site's virtual campus tours, financial aid and career information. You can set up your own CFNC account, free, that will provide service to you while

**STUDENTS' RIGHTS IN THE COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS\*\*\*The following information on rights and responsibilities provided by National Association for College Admission Counseling.**

**WHEN YOU APPLY YOU HAVE RIGHTS.**

**Before You Apply:**

You have the right to receive factual and comprehensive information about their admission, financial costs, practices and packaging policies, and housing policies. If you consider applying for early admission, early action or early decision plan, you have a right to complete information from the college about its policies and practices.

**When You Are Offered Admission:**

You have the right to wait to respond to an offer of admission and/or financial aid until May 1.

Colleges that request commitments to offers of admission and or financial assistance prior to May 1., must clearly offer you the opportunity to request (in

writing) an extension until May 1. They must grant you this extension without jeopardizing your status except under an early decision.

**If You Are Placed On A Wait List:**

Your notification letter should provide a history with the following:

# of students on list, # offered admission, and the availability of financial aid and housing. Colleges may **not require** a deposit or a written commitment as a condition for remaining on a wait list. Colleges are **expected** to notify you of the resolution of your wait list status by Aug.1 at the latest.

If a college does not adhere to these rights please notify your high school counselor.



**STUDENTS' RESPONSIBILITES IN THE COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS**

**WHEN YOU APPLY YOU HAVE RESPONSIBILITIES.**

**Before You Apply:**

You have the responsibility to research and **understand** the policies and procedures of each college regarding application fees, financial aid, scholarships, and housing and deposits.

**As You Apply:**

You must complete all material that is required for application, and submit your application on or before the published

deadlines.

Seek assistance from your high school counselor and follow the recommended procedure.

It is your responsibility to arrange campus visits and yes it does count as an excused absence with the proper documentation. (see your counselor about what is proper documentation.)

**After You Receive Admission:**

As soon as you have made a decision you should let each college know your decision. no later 05/01) Submit a de-

posit to only one college (exception is wait list)

If wait listed, then accepted ,notify the first college immediately of the

change and send deposit. If you are accepted under an early decision plan, promptly withdraw other applications and make no more applications. This withdrawal presumes you have received expected financial aid notification.

**SHOW ME THE MONEY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Over 406,000 college students last year did not have the money to go to college reported in a national publication.

**What can you do to prepare?**

File an early analysis on [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to learn what your expected family contribution will be toward your education.

Check out the sites on your web list about financial aid. **Hot sites:** fastweb.com. CFNC.org, financialaidsupersite.com,

[finaid.com](http://finaid.com), [wiredscholar.com](http://wiredscholar.com)

Contact the financial aid offices and the departments of your major in the colleges where you are applying for admission. **Do Not Wait** for admittance. You may miss a deadline for consideration.

Keep up with current edition of the JMRHS Scholarship Scoop. New editions will be announced. Pick them up in Guidance, your semester senior English class or check the web site. Scoops



will list chronologically criteria about scholarship info we have

in house.