

Senior Parent Information Night

Boonville HS



Agenda

- Choosing a College
- College Visits
- Admissions Process & Entrance Requirements
- Scholarships
- Financial Aid



HAVE A PLAN

Saying: "I'm going to
college"

is **NOT** a plan.

Something for Everyone!

- College/University (4 year or 2 year)
 - College Admissions Difficulty- ranges from **Open** (everyone w/a HS diploma can attend) to **Highly Selective**.
- Technical School
- Military
- Employment

- You should **ALL** have a plan for what you will do after you leave BHS

What should You look for in a college?

- Private, Public, 4 yr, 2 yr, Technical
- Entrance Requirements ***very important***
- Academic Rigor
- Cost
- Rural or City/Distance
- Size of Campus/classes
- Programs/Majors Offered
- Extracurricular Activities



Entrance Requirements

- Research specific GPA & ACT requirements for college entrance before you apply.
- CHECK WEBSITES!!
- Ex: MU-Academic Requirements, GPA, ACT
 - English: 4 units
 - Math: 4 units, Algebra 1 or higher
 - Science: 3 units, Physical Science or higher
 - Social Studies: 3 units
 - Foreign Language: 2 units
 - Fine Arts: One unit

MU Requirements

ACT	SAT (CR-M)	Core GPA*	Minimum HS class rank
23	1050–1080	2.80	Top 52%
22	1020–1040	2.90	Top 46%
21	980–1010	3.05	Top 38%
20	940–970	3.20	Top 31%
19	900–930	3.35	Top 22%
18	860–890	3.50	Top 14%
17	820–850	3.65	Top 6%

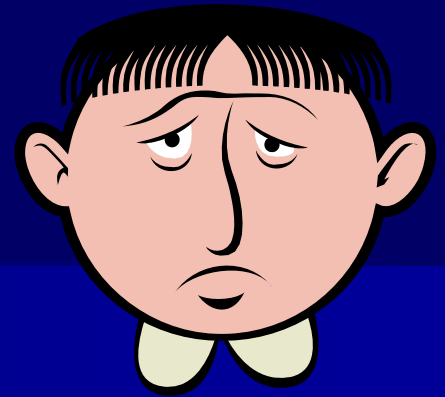
**Minimum required GPA in core curriculum classes changes every couple of years. This core GPA is set by the UM System for admissions to all four campuses and is not the same core requirement that is used for MU's scholarship requirements for students from non-ranking high schools.*

Admissions Process



- Apply fall of senior year
- Know application fees & deadlines
 - ~ Several schools have priority scholarship deadlines in Nov./Dec. & you need to apply for admissions before you can apply for scholarships
- Ask Mrs. Smith to send transcripts
- Some programs have separate applications
- Essays, letters of rec
- **Military:** contact recruiter
 - ~ Most branches schedule monthly lunch visits

What if I don't get in?



- Talk to admissions representative about why you were not granted admissions
- Appeals Process
- Raise ACT score

HAVE A BACKUP PLAN!

ACT Test



- ACT score required for admissions in 4 year colleges or universities
- Scores required for some scholarships
- ACT given October, December, February, April & June
- Cost \$55.00. With writing - \$70.00.
- Apply on-line at www.actstudent.org
- Fee waiver available if free-reduced lunch

ACT Prep

- See BHS website for ACT study links—
- ACT Prep Workshops ~ 6 days a week online
- ACT practice booklets in Counseling Office
- ACT Test Prep—Barnes & Noble

ACT Sub scores

- ACT sub-scores used for placement in core math & English classes in college
 - For Example—to take College Algebra at Truman you must have an ACT math sub-score of 22 or above
- If ACT sub scores are not high enough students will be placed in “lower” level classes (sometimes don’t earn credit)

Accuplacer Test

- The ACT is not required for admission into 2 year college or technical school
 - Students should take the Accuplacer test instead
- Scores used to determine placement in math and English
- Student can make appointment with SFCC or intended school to test

ASVAB Test

- Military Entrance Exam
 - November 13th, 8:00- 11:30 am
- Each military has a different minimum score- check with recruiter to find out score needed
- Prep websites available on website & Senior Pirate Booklet
- Sign-up in Counselor's office closer to date

College Visits

- Meet with admissions counselor
- Verify admissions requirements are met
- Determine college costs
- Scholarships/Financial Aid
- Meet with academic program
- Attend a class/talk with faculty
- Ask about deadlines
- Tour campus/dorms etc.
- Meet coaches, etc.



College Visits etc.

- All Seniors are given 2 visit days that do not count as an absence
- Must fill out College Visit Form in guidance office and follow procedure outlined on form before going
- Must have parent permission!



Athletics in College

- Contact your high school coach & athletic director **NOW** if you want to play college sports –scholarship \$\$\$ may be limited
- Notify coach of any correspondence with college regarding athletics
- Notify coach if any film, etc. needs to be sent
- Notify coach of any letter of intent offer/signings

NCAA/NAIA Eligibility

- Athletes wanting to play Division I, II or III sports must register with the NCAA Clearinghouse www.ncaastudent.org
- Athletes playing NAIA sports must register at www.playnaia.org
- Seniors must request for an official transcript to be sent to NCAA or NAIA at the end of the year.

What Next?



- Apply for scholarships
- Financial Aid
- Housing Contracts/Deposits
- Dorm/Roommate Selection
- Registering for classes (spring/summer)
- Orientation (summer)

Funding College

- Forms of Financial Aid

Scholarships

Grants

Loans



Scholarships

Local Scholarships--given by community

Booklet given to seniors in ELA classes before Winter Break
Booklet available on BHS website
Due February 5, 2021

State/National Scholarships

See Counseling Dept. Scholarship Page
(www.boonville.k12.mo.us) for partial list
Check it monthly

Scholarship Search

Scholly- free app

www.capex.com

www.fastweb.com



College or Institutional Scholarships

Scholarship awards may be given by the college you are attending

- Merit Based/Automatic—Usually based on combination of ACT score or GPA
- Departmental (Ag, Art)
- Athletic
- Performance—Music, theatre etc.
- Need Based



Search college website for complete list of scholarships!! Check deadlines & procedure for applying.

GPA/ACT = Scholarship \$\$\$

- Most colleges award academic scholarships based on grades & ACT
- Ex. Missouri State University

3.9 & 28 ACT = \$5,952

3.9 & 30 ACT = \$13,000

**Difference in 2 ACT points == \$7,000

A+ Program

- Pays all tuition and fees at a community college or tech school in Missouri
- Not **TOO LATE** to sign up!!
- 2.5 GPA, 95% attendance, 50 tutoring hours, & a qualifying math score on the ACT
- See Mrs. Pruitt to sign up!!



Financial Aid



- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>
 - This application is for all state and government grants and loans & must be filled out if you want financial aid
 - Not available until **October 1st**.
 - FAFSA deadline for Missouri is **Feb 1st**.
 - University System Deadline is **Feb 1st**.

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