



CHS College & Career Update

October 21, 2010

Important Information

- ❖ You **MUST** be working on your college applications now.
 - Go to www.applytexas.org (or other application) to get started.
- ❖ If you are a senior beginning college next fall, **BE SURE** you are choosing the semester of admission as Fall 2011!
- ❖ Please be sure to check the admission and scholarship deadlines for the schools you are applying to. They all have different deadlines!
- ❖ SAT/ACT scores must be sent directly from collegeboard.com or actstudent.org.
- ❖ When you receive a letter of acceptance from a college or university or a scholarship award letter, please turn in a copy to Mrs. Martinez in the College and Career Center.
- ❖ Athletes must file NCAA forms on-line at www.ncaa.org.
 - Have a MasterCard or VISA ready when you register.

Colleges and University Information and Visits

Palo Alto College: Palo Alto is offering a Library technician Assistant Program. The program is designed for students who would like to work in libraries at a paraprofessional level or for students who may want to pursue further education in Library Science. Students may earn a certificate for completing 5 courses and the credit may also be applied to an Associate Degree in Library Technology. Approx. cost per semester is \$428. Visit the Palo Alto website for more information.

Sam Houston State University on campus Oct. 22nd from 10:30 - 11:15

Baylor University on campus Oct. 27th from 8:30 – 9:30

University of Texas at San Antonio on campus Oct. 29th from 10:30-11:15

Angelo State University on campus November 2nd at 9:30 for students interested in the nursing field/any medical field and at 10:30 for students interested in majoring in agriculture.

UT Austin on campus Nov 2nd at 1:30

Texas Tech on campus Nov. 4th from 1:15 - 2:00

* Remember to sign up on the bulletin board in the College & Career Center for College visits. There are passes stapled to the sign-up sheets. Please take a pass so your teacher will allow you to attend the presentation.

Admissions Receptions

Texas A&M University is hosting monthly mixers to provide insight about the admissions and scholarship process.

Students must RSVP to Karen Washington at kwashington@tamu.edu or 210-212-7016. Each student is allowed to bring one guest.

Upcoming is the Scholarship Application Mixer on Nov. 4th from 6:00-7:30pm At the San Antonio PSC, 40 NE Loop 410 in Room 235.

Texas A&M University is also hosting an information session on Nov 6th from 11:00am-3:00pm at the Health Careers High School, 4646 Hamilton Wolfe Road, San Antonio. You will be eligible to register to win one of several \$500 scholarships. (Must be present to win. Scholarship is contingent upon enrollment at Texas A&M at College Station.)

You must RSVP with Karen Washington 210-212-7016 or kwashington@tamu.edu

Emerson College invites prospective students and their families to learn more about the admission process, financial aid, academic programs, and the student experience. The information session will be on Saturday, Oct. 30th at 3:00pm at the Doubletree Hotel, 37 NE Loop 410 in San Antonio. RSVP at <http://www.emerson.edu/admission/ontheroad>

Washington and Lee University is visiting San Antonio to provide admission and financial aid information on Wed., Oct. 27th at 7:00pm at Club Giraud, 707 N. St. Mary's in San Antonio.

Tulane University invites prospective students and their families to learn more about the admission process, financial assistance, academic programs, and the student experience. The information session is on Wed, Oct. 27th at 7:00pm at the Doubletree Hotel, 37 NE Loop 410 in San Antonio.

The University of Notre Dame will be hosting an information session on Sunday, Oct. 24th at 3:00pm at the AT&T Community Center in the San Fernando Banquet Hall, 231 West Commerce St. in San Antonio.

University of Texas at San Antonio is hosting an Honors Night on Wed, Nov. 10th at 6:30pm in the Denman Room, UC 2.01.28. See UTSA website for a registration form.

Virtual College Fair

College Week Live is a virtual college fair which will be held on Nov. 3rd and 4th. It is open to all high school students. Apply at <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/notes/cw.jsp>

SCHOLARSHIPS

Please visit [Mrs. Martinez's website](#) for ALL the current scholarships available.

"Top Ten List" \$1,000 Scholarship (Five winners @ \$1,000 each). It is open to all U.S. students 13 years of age and older. Respond (250 words or less): "Create a 'top ten list' of the top ten reasons you should get this scholarship." Deadline to apply is Dec. 31, 2010. Apply at <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/notes/z.jsp>

Profiles in Courage Essay Contest: write an essay on an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official. The deadline is Jan. 8, 2011. Visit the website www.jfklibrary.org for more information and to apply.

Boston University Trustee Scholarship Competition: Each recipient will receive a renewable scholarship covering full undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees for four years. Trustee Scholars are typically in the top 10% of their class and active leaders in their school and community. All application and nomination materials are available online at www.bu.edu/admissions/trustee. The deadline is Dec. 1, 2010.

“Education Matters” – A \$5,000 scholarship open to all high school seniors. You must respond in 250 words or less “What would you say to someone who thinks education doesn’t matter, or that college is a waste of time and money?” Apply at <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htx>

The deadline is Oct. 31, 2010

UTSA Terry Foundation Scholarship: Full ride scholarships to graduating seniors who exhibit the following:

- Record of leadership and service
- Strong academic abilities
- Financial need (defined by Terry Foundation)
- Must attend a Texas high school or home-schooled during 2010-2011 academic year
- U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident
- Apply for the FAFSA by March 1, 2011
- Unmarried and childless
- Must apply for housing in Laurel Village by March 1, 2011

Visit www.utsa.edu/terrerscholars. The deadline is Feb. 1, 2011.

UTSA Honors College Scholarship: Presidential Honors Scholarships range from \$6,000-\$10,000 over four years. You must be:

- In the top 10% of your class
- Minimum SAT of 1700 on all three components
- Minimum ACT of 25

Visit www.utsa.edu/honors/forms/HCA_Interactive.doc

The deadline is Feb. 15, 2011

College and Universities’ Open Houses

Discover Engineering at Texas A&M: One day Open House for students who are interested in exploring the fields of Engineering.

Oct. 23rd, 10:00am-3:0pm @ Texas A&M University College Station.

Cost is free, no registration necessary. Visit <http://essap.tamu.edu/de>

Texas A&M University @ Corpus Christi Island Day – Oct. 23rd

Texas Christian University Mondays – Oct. 25th

Texas A&M Shadow Days – Nov. 1st and 2nd

UTSA Day – Nov. 3rd

University of North Texas Preview Day – Nov. 6th

Tarleton State University Texans Day – Nov. 6th

Texas A&M Galveston Days – Nov. 11th and 12th

Trinity University in Focus Day – Nov. 13th

Texas State Bobcat Day – Nov. 13th

Texas A&M Corpus Island Day – Nov. 13th

Stephen F. Austin University Preview Day – Nov. 13th

Texas Christian University Monday – Nov. 15th

Texas A&M Game Day Workshop – Nov. 20th

UT at Dallas Scholars Day – Nov. 20th

Sam Houston State University Day – Nov. 20th

Financial Resources Available

To apply for financial aid, go to www.fafsa.ed.gov. This is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). **The application will be available beginning January 1, 2011 for students entering college in the Fall of 2011.** These forms can be completed by your parents once they have completed their 2010 income tax returns. There are other forms of financial aid such as:

Scholarships are available usually for students that show evidence of outstanding academic performance. Some scholarships require that there be a financial need. These do not have to be paid back.

Grants also do not have to be repaid. There has to be a financial need to qualify.

Employment is available to students through the federal or state Work Study Program who demonstrate a financial need. Most employment is on the college campus.

Student Loans are available to students at low interest rates through the federal government. There are different types of loans. Each college/university has a financial aid office that can assist you on making the best decision that meets your needs.

Parent & Student Nights

- October 25th – Apply Texas Worknight in the CHS Library Computer Lab 6-8 p.m.
- November 18th – Ultimate Money Skills – Paying for College!! 6:30 p.m. – CHS Cafeteria (this presentation is GREAT for ALL grade levels!)
- January 27th – FAFSA & Financial Aid Presentation (Marcus Cooper from the Texas A & M financial aid office) 6:30 pm in CHS Cafeteria
- February 17th – FAFSA Worknight in the CHS Library Computer Lab 6-8 p.m.

Students and their parents are encouraged to attend these presentations!!

If you need any assistance throughout the college admission process, please contact Mrs. Martinez at 830-221-2408 or email renee.martinez@comalisd.org