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**NEWS**  
LETTER



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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

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The Counselors will also be hosting **HOT TOPICS!** throughout the school year. These presentations will be over important information parents of high school students need to know.

(These dates are subject to change so please refer to the FHS website or future newsletters to confirm the dates.)

**All sessions will be held in the FHS Auditorium  
beginning at 8:15 a.m.  
Students and Parents are welcome!!**

**Coming up!**  
**Friday, November 10, 2017**  
**Equipping your child/self for college, career, and life**

# SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## 1. CARR P. COLLINS SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Baylor University annually awards scholarships through the Carr p. Collins Scholars Program to students who have demonstrated leadership through service. Collins Scholars are awarded a minimum of \$2000 their freshman year, renewable for three additional years. To be considered for the program, applicants must meet all university requirements for unconditional admission; have a minimum combined math and evidenced-based reading and writing score of 1310 on the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or a minimum of 28 on the American College test (ACT); have completed a balanced college preparatory program including history, science, and a foreign language; be in the top quarter of their graduating class; and be a resident of the State of Texas.

For application, please refer students who meet the eligibility criteria stated above to [www.Baylor.edu/admissions/CarrPCollins](http://www.Baylor.edu/admissions/CarrPCollins)

Baylor University also has an outstanding scholarship program for national Merit Finalist. Students who advance to Finalist standing in the National Merit Scholarship competition and designate Baylor University as their first choice college receive the Regent's Gold Scholarship. This scholarship covers full tuition plus an additional amount ranging from \$2000 to \$4000, depending on the Finalist's SAT/ACT score.

We encourage the use of Baylor's scholarship and Cost Estimator (<https://www.baylor.edu/estimator>) to determine their eligibility for an academic scholarship and receive an estimate of their overall financial aid at Baylor.

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## 2. UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME - SCHOLARSHIPS

Notre Dame is setting a benchmark in higher education by integrating its 24 merit scholarship programs into a single office with a faculty director.

Students who are considered for merit scholarships at Notre Dame demonstrate exceptional accomplishment, leadership, commitment to service, an intellectual promise.

We invite students to apply for admission at [admissions.nd.edu](http://admissions.nd.edu).

A student's completed application for admission to the University is used for consideration for merit aid and no nomination is required.

A full list of our merit scholarships is available at [meritscholarships.nd.edu](http://meritscholarships.nd.edu)

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## 1 – INTEREST FREE EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

### **Frost Bank Student Loan Division**

**P O Box 8210 • Galveston, TX 77553-8210  
(409) 770-5665**

The following zero-interest loan programs are available through the Trust Department at Frost Bank of Galveston. Qualified applicants may contact our office after November 1 to request an application packet(s) for the upcoming fall/spring long-term school year.

#### **Abe and Annie Seibel Foundation**

- USA citizen and Texas resident, graduate of a Texas high school, enrolled full-time at a Texas college/university, working toward a first undergraduate degree.
- Approximately 800 loans available.
- Maximum loan \$8,000.00 per year.
- Application deadline February 28.

#### **Jack & Katherine Pearce Educational Foundation**

- USA citizen and resident of Galveston, Texas, graduate of a Galveston, Texas high school, enrolled full-time at any college/university in the United States, working toward an undergraduate or graduate degree.
- Approximately 35 loans available.
- Maximum loan \$5,000.00 per year.
- Application deadline March 31.

#### **Vandal and Winifred Mercer TAMU Foundation**

- USA citizen and Texas resident, graduate of a Texas high school, enrolled full-time at Texas A&M University at College Station or any branch located in Galveston County, working toward an undergraduate or graduate degree.
- Approximately 30 loans available.
- Maximum loan \$2,500.00 per year.
- Application deadline March 31.

#### **Ernest A. Mantzel Foundation**

- USA citizen and Texas resident, enrolled full-time at a Texas College, working toward a graduate degree.
- Approximately 50 loans available.
- Maximum loan \$4,000.00 per year.
- Applications accepted until funding is exhausted.

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## 2 – MOCK SAT

### Mock SAT dates and locations

<b>Practice Test</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
Mock ACT	October 14	Wakeland HS
Mock ACT	October 28	Frisco HS
Mock SAT	November 11	Wakeland HS
Mock ACT	January 13	Frisco HS
Mock ACT	January 20	Wakeland HS
Mock SAT	January 27	Lone Star HS
Mock SAT	February 17	Wakeland HS
Mock ACT	February 24	Reedy HS
Mock ACT	March 24	Lone Star HS
Mock SAT	March 31	Frisco HS

**Register online: [www.mypaymentsplus.com](http://www.mypaymentsplus.com)**  
**(This is the same account you use for lunch money)**



**800-2Review (800-273-8439) | [www.Review.com](http://www.Review.com)**

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### 3 – CHOOSETOCARE.COM



In an effort to help us keep Frisco HS the most welcoming, inviting, and safe environment for all, we would like to remind our Raccoon Family about [choosetocare.com](http://choosetocare.com). Frisco ISD utilizes ChooseToCare, an online and phone-based “tip-line” for students, parents, teachers and others to anonymously share any safety or health concern they may have regarding our schools and school community. It is another option for those with valuable information, who may have concerns or fears about using other established methods for communicating their information to school authorities.

Tip-lines have helped many organizations, public and private, to detect problems early on, minimizing harm and in many cases preventing it all together. When properly implemented, tip-lines serve to support a climate of safety, honesty and integrity within the organizations they serve.

ChooseToCare enables users to provide school officials with valuable information, securely, and from the privacy of their own homes. It is not meant to replace traditional and established methods of communication, but to supplement them. By providing another option for members of our school community (students, parents, administrators, teachers, etc.) to offer valuable information that they might otherwise choose to keep to themselves, ChooseToCare helps ensure that our schools will remain safe for all.

Report Your Concern by:

1) Submit Online at [www.choosetocare.com](http://www.choosetocare.com)

Or

2) Call 877-277-3812 and identify your call as a ChooseToCare call

Please keep in mind, ChooseToCare is not an emergency response service. If you believe your call requires immediate police, fire, or paramedic response, call 9-1-1. ChooseToCare does not provide counseling or clinical advice. If you feel you need this type of attention, please seek the assistance of a qualified clinical or medical professional.

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#### 4- INTERNET, DRUG, AND ALCOHOL SAFETY FOR PARENTS

## INTERNET, DRUG, AND ALCOHOL SAFETY FOR PARENTS

**November 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30-8:00 PM**

Hunt Middle School

At 5:30, Officer Werner with the Frisco Police department will be speaking on the subjects of internet safety, drug and alcohol awareness in teens. She will have a display to educate parents on what to be on the lookout for with drug paraphernalia commonly used by teens. This presentation is for adults only due to the sensitive information given, please no students in the presentation.

At 6:00, a representative from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children Texas Regional Office ("NCMECTX") will provide a presentation for parents discussing the apps and websites kids are using, how to identify warning signs of kids engaged in risky behavior online, and how to discuss appropriate online behavior with kids. Topics include cyberbullying, sexting, sharing too much information online, online privacy, and abduction prevention.

**DUE TO THE SENSITIVE NATURE OF THIS PRESENTATION, CHILDREN OF ANY AGE ARE NOT PERMITTED TO ATTEND.**

RSVP at: <https://goo.gl/forms/cCb2e3R0cnAHGIh53>



**Refreshments will be provided!**

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## 8 Ways to Take Control of Your Time

### 1. Make a to-do list every day

Put the most important tasks at the top, even if they're things you're dreading, and tackle them first. Include things you want to do on your list too, so you have items you're looking forward to. Try motivating yourself with a reward if you get to everything on your list.

### 2. Keep your work with you

That way, if you find yourself with extra time—while on the train or bus or waiting for an appointment—you can get something done.

### 3. Don't be afraid to say no

It's OK to say no if your friend asks you to go to a movie one night but you have a test the next morning. Instead, find a time that works for both of you and go see the movie then.

### 4. Find your productive time

Are you a morning person or a night person? You'll be more efficient if you work when you're at your best.

### 5. Create a dedicated study time

Set up a time devoted only to studying or homework. Shut off your phone and respond to calls or texts when your work is finished. Don't check email or surf the Web (except when you need to for the work you're doing) during this time either.

### 6. Budget your time

Figure out how much time you usually spend on your activities and then create a weekly schedule to follow. Determine how much free time you have before you add any commitments. And don't forget to schedule time to relax.

### 7. Don't get sidetracked

If you find yourself wasting time on unimportant things, stop, check your to-do list and get back to what's at the top. Maybe you're procrastinating because you're not sure how to move forward on a school project. If that's the problem, check with your teacher to clear things up so you can get moving.

### 8. Get a good night's sleep

Your brain needs rest to perform at its peak. If it's time to sleep, list the things you still need to get done on the next day's to-do list and go to bed.




# COLLEGE INFORMATION AND VISITS

## 1 – THE SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS AT TEXAS A&M

The conference will be held Friday and Saturday, January 26-27, 2018 at the Texas A&M University campus in College station, TX. The conference is open to all high school juniors and seniors, especially those interested in math, science or engineering related fields.

This two day event will cost \$50 and will include engineering competitions, department and lab tours, panel discussions, intereactions with Texas A&M engineering students, and much more.

THE SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS AT TEXAS A&M  
UNIVERSITY PRESENTS



**ENGINEERING  
EXPLORATION...**  
**ENGINEERING AROUND THE  
WORLD**

Dates: 26-27 Jan. 2018  
Location: Texas A&M  
University  
Registration Dates:  
Open – 6 Nov. 2017  
Close – 6 Dec. 2017

OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND  
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ENGINEERING AND MATH

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For any further details, contact us at [hsc@swetamu.org](mailto:hsc@swetamu.org)



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## 2 – THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN



# DANCE AUDITIONS

**B.F.A in Dance**  
**B.F.A. in Dance Studies**  
**(K-12 Teacher Certification)**  
**B.A. in Theatre and Dance**

**Upcoming On-Campus Auditions in 2017**  
**October 27, November 10 and December 8**

Register to audition at [theatredance.utexas.edu](http://theatredance.utexas.edu)  
Apply by December 1 (Freshman); March 1 (Transfer)

 The University of Texas at Austin  
**Theatre and Dance**  
*College of Fine Arts*

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## 3 – UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

### BLUE & GOLD DAYS

Learn why Pitt is considered an academic powerhouse.  
Explore campus and the city on tours with current students.  
Apply to Pitt on the spot with help from Admissions staff

Saturday, November 4

Saturday, November 11

To register visit: [www.oafa.pitt.edu/visit](http://www.oafa.pitt.edu/visit) or call 412-624-7717

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## 4 – SETON HALL UNIVERSITY

### OPEN HOUSES

November 19, 2017

February 18, 2018

April 22, 2018

To learn more please visit: [www.shu.edu/go/UNchallenge](http://www.shu.edu/go/UNchallenge)

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## 5 – TEXAS A&M - TEXARKANA

Visit our Eagle family on **November 4, 2017**, at our Eagle Open House! The event will host students, families, and guests on our campus. Texas A&M-Texarkana; will showcase various areas of the University ranging from academics to campus activities. You will have an opportunity to speak with representatives from Undergraduate Admissions, Faculty Representatives from each of our colleges; College of Arts, Sciences and Education (CASE), College of Business, Engineering, and Technology (CBET), Residential Life, Financial Aid & Scholarships, Veterans & Military Services, and our multitude of student organizations. Our faculty has prepared interactive sessions that will provide a glimpse into the 39 undergraduate degree programs and majors we have to offer. We hope you will join us on November the 4th!

All prospective students will be entered into a drawing for a \$1,000 scholarship, plus many other door prizes.

### **Tentative Schedule**

10:30-11:00	Registration/Exhibit Hall (University Center 1st Floor)
11:00-11:15	Welcome and Schedule Overview (Eagle Hall)
11:20-12:00	Breakout Session I
12:00 -12:50	Lunch and Exhibit Hall
12:50-1:15	Student Life & Housing (Eagle Hall)
1:20-2:00	Breakout Session II
2:05-2:30	Financial Aid & Scholarships (Eagle Hall)
2:30-2:50	Door Prizes/Closing (Eagle Hall)
2:50-3:30	FAFSA Workshop/Resident Hall Tour (optional)

### Breakout Session I Options:

- CASE / • CBET / • Transfer Details / • Student Support (Advising, FYE, Career Development)

### Breakout Session II Options:

- CASE / • CBET / • Student Support (Advising, FYE, Career Development)

Exhibit Hall:

- Visit the booths / • Apply for admission / • Tour labs

Please contact Katelyn Sloan at 903.823.3060 or [ksloan@tamut.edu](mailto:ksloan@tamut.edu) if you have any questions!

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## 6 – UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI – DALLAS EVENT

The Office of Admissions  
at the University of  
Mississippi  
invites you to join us for  
An Evening with Ole Miss!

**Ole Miss**

Wednesday, November 8  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Belo Mansion and Pavilion  
2101 Ross Avenue  
Dallas, TX 75201

Meet with representatives  
to learn about admissions,  
scholarships, and campus  
life.

RSVP to  
Mercer Ann Moon:  
[mercera@olemiss.edu](mailto:mercera@olemiss.edu)

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## 7 – THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

### **Upcoming Deadlines**

#### **December 1, 2017:**

- First-year application deadline for merit scholarship consideration.
- Final application deadline for all programs in Cinematic Arts, Dance, Dramatic Arts, Music, the Iovine and Young Academy, and the Marshall School's World Bachelor in Business program.

#### **January 15, 2018:**

- Final first-year application deadline.

### **Discover USC Open House**

Come visit us in Los Angeles! Our Fall On-Campus Open House on **November 11** will provide opportunities for students and families to meet admission counselors, departmental representatives and other prospective students. [Register here](#).

### **Scholarships and Financial Aid Updates**

USC administers one of the largest financial aid programs in the U.S. More than two-thirds of USC undergraduates receive financial aid. Nearly 20 percent of the fall 2017 incoming class were awarded merit scholarships. Download our complete list of scholarships [here](#).

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## 8 – NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY'S NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - SUMMER PROGRAM

Northwestern University's National High School Institute, commonly known as the "Cherubs" program.

The Cherubs program dates back to 1931 and is made up of three summer Institutes: Theatre Arts, Film & Video, and Debate. These programs combine intensive training, along with an once-in-a-lifetime summer experience making lifelong friends and contacts, while exploring the Northwestern campus and Chicago. The Theatre Arts program is open exclusively to current high school juniors; our Film & Video program is open to current sophomores and juniors; and our Debate programs are open to current freshman, sophomores, and juniors.

We offer generous financial aid packages available to students that demonstrate a need.

More information can be found at our website: [nhsi.northwestern.edu](http://nhsi.northwestern.edu).

[For more information please refer to the files attached to this newsletter.](#)

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# **JOB, VOLUNTEER & INTERSHIPS OPPORTUNITIES**

## 1 –FRISCO HIGH SCHOOL TOUCHDOWN CLUB

Frisco High School Touchdown Club has opportunities for students to volunteer to help with concessions during Freshman, JV, and Varsity football games.

Students can sign up by clicking this link and then going to the volunteer spots marked for student concession volunteers, and then select the games they wish to help with.

<http://signup.com/go/MxqKbeC>

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## 2 – LEGOLAND DISCOVERY CENTER

Legoland Discovery Center and SEA LIFE Aquarium located in Grapevine Mills Mall is looking for individuals to join their team in part-time roles. Their open positions range from selling tickets in admissions to operating one of our indoor rides to educating guest about marine life in the aquarium. They also have positions available in the café, retail store, and within the LEGOLAND Discovery Center assisting guest with their building techniques.

Some of their perks are:

- Flexible Schedules
- Working with an awesome team
- 30% Discount in the retail store
- Passes for free admission to any Merlin Attraction – worldwide!
- 401k enrollment options
- Fun working environment and more!

Must be 16 to apply.

To learn more please visit [www.merlincareers.com](http://www.merlincareers.com)



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• **Operations Department** these roles are divided into three areas. These roles are vital to the overall guest experience and ensuring that all guests have a MAGICAL experience:

• **Admissions** is primarily responsible for selling tickets to the attraction. This team also sells annual passes and combination attractions tickets. These team members are the first impression for LEGOLAND Discovery Center and SEA LIFE Aquarium and must be able to provide excellent customer service. Cash handling is a requirement for this position.

• **Attractions** work in a number of areas with many tasks including, ride operating, Soft Play Area, 4D Cinema, Factory Tour, Build and Test Race Area, Birthday Party Host, and Mascot Appearances (rare).

• **Education** are the guides to the aquarium. These team members work in a number of areas in the attraction such as Rockpool Experience, Talk Times, Behind the Scenes tours, and Birthday Party Host. Responsible for teaching the guest about animals, their habitats, and conservation efforts.

• **Commercial Department** these roles are divided into two areas. It is imperative these team members be courteous and efficient to ensure a positive lasting impression.

• **Retail** primarily works in the shop and are responsible for providing excellent customer service while answering questions about the LEGO® and SEA LIFE products.

• **Food and Beverage** primarily work in the LEGO® Café and responsible for providing excellent customer service while processing guests orders. This team is also responsible for the overall cleanliness of the LEGO® Café area.



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### 3 – TACOS 4 LIFE



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