



Class of 2019  
Junior Guidance

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- PUT IMPORTANT DATES IN YOUR  
PHONE/CALENDAR

# Remind 101 / Flex Offerings

## Frisco High School Class of 2019

Join FHS Counseling Remind 101 Group  
Receive text message reminders from the  
Frisco HS counseling office about upcoming  
events, opportunities, testing reminders and  
deadlines that pertain to the class of 2019.

**Sign up by texting @mrsIcasare  
To 81010**

- Counselor will hold Flex Time Activities:
- Mindful Mondays
- Walk in Wednesdays
- Flex Fridays
- Check calendar in front of late gate

# College Fair @ Lebanon Trail HS

## Frisco ISD College Fair



Frisco ISD will welcome dozens of colleges and universities from across the country to meet with students and parents about admissions. This event is geared toward seniors and juniors only. Another opportunity will be available January 24, 2018 for students in grades 9-12.



FISD Seniors and Juniors and their Parents



September 13, 2017  
6:00 - 8:00 PM



**Lebanon Trail High School**  
**5151 Ohio Drive**  
**Frisco, TX 75035**



# College Fair @ Lebanon Trail HS

- You have already been registered, check your school email!
- Print the bar code and bring it with you!! The colleges are wanting this so that they can keep in contact with you and saves you time!
- [www.gotocollegefairs.com](http://www.gotocollegefairs.com) is the website

# PSAT – OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>

Qualifying test for National Merit Program

- <http://www.fox2detroit.com/good-day/30859811-story> (watch short news clip)

## Logistics

- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> periods (including Flex)- TESTING
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> period B day after testing ends
- Calculators will be provided to all PSAT testing students.
- No cell phones, electronic devices, back packs, food/snacks will be allowed in the testing room. Leave them in your car or locker.
- **No food or drinks (including bottled water) are allowed without student pre-approval by College Board SSD.**

## Results

- The PSAT score reports are due to arrive in January. The reports and test booklets will be distributed through the students' Social Studies classes.

# PSAT – Pre Administration

- During Flex Time on September 20<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students will report to your PSAT testing room and complete the demographic information on your answer sheet
- Look/complete at the handout (half sheet) ahead of time so you will be prepared to complete this info on these days (put it in your binder when done so you have it).

# GPA Game

- 8 Volunteers needed to play
- What type of student are selective universities looking to admit? Is it all just about your GPA?

**Let's find out!**



# GPA Game- Results

- What things did you notice universities are looking at besides GPA?
- What can hurt your admission chances?
- Some things you control and some you don't, you just have to do the best that you can to maximize your chances.

# SAT Test

- No penalty for wrong answers
- Computer based option
- Option to test with or without Writing section (better to test WITH writing)
- Calculator only allowed in the longer of two math sections
- Score is 400-1600 (Math/Reading and Writing)

# SAT Test Dates- [sat.org/register](http://sat.org/register)

## 2017–2018 SAT Test Dates and Registration

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
August 26, 2017	July 28, 2017	August 15, 2017
October 7, 2017	September 8, 2017	September 27, 2017
November 4, 2017	October 5, 2017	October 25, 2017
December 2, 2017	November 2, 2017	November 21, 2017
March 10, 2018	February 9, 2018	February 28, 2018
May 5, 2018	April 6, 2018	April 25, 2018
June 2, 2018	May 3, 2018	May 23, 2018

# Khan Academy and the SAT

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QIkCoQoZ21U>
- Free personalized practice for SAT
- Dailey Practice App for iPhone and Android
- <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/daily-practice-app>



# ACT Test

- No penalty for wrong answers
- Option to test with or without Writing section (better to test WITH writing)
- Includes a Science section
- Calculator allowed on the entire math section
- Score is 1-36 Composite Score (Reading/Math/Science/English)

# ACT Test Dates- [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org)

## Dates, Locations, and Fees

### National Test Dates

National test dates are for the United States, United States territories, Puerto Rico, and Canada. If you have missed the late registration deadline for a test date, you may be able to request [standby testing](#).

#### 2017-2018 Test Dates (National)

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
September 9, 2017	August 4, 2017	August 5-18, 2017
October 28, 2017	September 22, 2017	September 23-October 6, 2017
December 9, 2017	November 3, 2017	November 4-17, 2017
February 10, 2018*	January 12, 2018	January 13-19, 2018
April 14, 2018	March 9, 2018	March 10-23, 2018
June 9, 2018	May 4, 2018	May 5-18, 2018
July 14, 2018*	June 15, 2018	June 16-22, 2018

\*No test centers are scheduled in New York for the February and July test dates.

# SAT/ACT Practice Tests @FHS

- SAT 09/23/2017 (Already Full)
- ACT 10/28/2017
- ACT 01/13/2018
- SAT 03/31/2018
- Register online at [MyPaymentsPlus.com](http://MyPaymentsPlus.com)
- Cost \$10 (non-refundable)
- Once you register, more info will be provided closer to testing date.

# SAT/ACT Practice Tests @ Other High Schools

## Reedy is hosting

- SAT 09/30/2017
- ACT 02/24/2018

## Wakeland is hosting

- SAT 11/11/2017
- SAT 02/17/2018
- ACT 10/14/2017
- ACT 01/20/2018

Sign up on My Payments Plus



# Princeton Review

- Do you need face to face test prep?
- Consider Princeton Review

Wakeland High School Frisco (tests held at Plano Classroom Center) Frisco, TX - 1.44 miles		
<p>New SAT Partnership Ultimate 25-Hour Course</p> <p><b>MOST POPULAR!</b> Sep 23 → Nov 2</p> <p>📅 Every Tue, Thu, Sat</p>	<p>4 Seats Remaining!</p>	<p><del>\$1,099 USD</del></p> <p>💰 \$800 USD</p> <p>Enroll</p>
<p>New SAT Fundamentals Partnership</p> <p>Sep 16 → Oct 5</p> <p>📅 Every Tue, Thu, Sat</p>		<p><del>\$699 USD</del></p> <p>💰 \$500 USD</p> <p>Enroll</p>
<p>New SAT Fundamentals Partnership</p> <p>Sep 23 → Oct 17</p> <p>📅 Every Tue, Thu, Sat</p>		<p><del>\$699 USD</del></p> <p>💰 \$500 USD</p> <p>Enroll</p>
<p>New SAT Partnership Ultimate 25-Hour Course</p> <p>Oct 14 → Nov 30</p> <p>📅 Every Tue, Thu, Sat</p>		<p><del>\$1,099 USD</del></p> <p>💰 \$800 USD</p> <p>Enroll</p>

# Comparing Colleges

<b>Highly Selective Colleges</b>	<b>Selective Colleges</b>	<b>Less Competitive Colleges</b>
<b>Students must be ranked in top of class</b>	<b>Top 10-25% of your class</b>	<b>Top 10-50% of your class</b>
<b>SAT 1300+ (CR/M) ACT 30+</b>	<b>SAT 1100+ (CR/M) ACT 24+</b>	<b>SAT 1000+ ACT 21+</b>
<b>May need SAT II's</b>	<b>TSI (Texas public colleges)</b>	<b>TSI (Texas public colleges)</b>
<b>Interview</b>	<b>Essays</b>	
<b>Recommendations</b>		
<b>Essays</b>		
<b>Ivy League, MIT, Stanford, Rice</b>	<b>UT, A&amp;M, SMU, TCU, OU,</b>	<b>UNT, UTA, Texas State, Sam Houston State, SFA</b>

\*There are too many colleges to list, use Family Connection to narrow it down

# Top 10% Rule – Texas

- Must take four core classes for four years, including Algebra 2 (Distinguished Level of Achievement)
- Uses GPA/Class Rank from 6<sup>th</sup> semester (end of Junior Year)
- Guarantees admission to any public Texas College for which you apply (not necessarily the major you want)
- UT Austin sets their own percentage each fall
  - Class of 2017 – Top 7%
  - Class of 2018 – hasn't been determined yet

Each fall, the university notifies Texas school officials of the class rank that current high school juniors need to attain by the end of their junior year in order to be automatically admitted.

# What Colleges are looking for?

- Class Rank/GPA
  - Grades
  - PAP/AP course work
  - Uses the 6<sup>th</sup> semester ranking for College Applications
  - Meet College Entrance Requirements- check your colleges (Foundation/Endorsements/Distinguished Level of Achievement)
- SAT/ACT Test Scores
- Involvement in School/Outside of School/Work
- Special Talent/Hobby/Passion
- Article: “Applying Sideways”
- [http://mitadmissions.org/blogs/entry/applying\\_sideways](http://mitadmissions.org/blogs/entry/applying_sideways)
- BE A WELL ROUNDED STUDENT!



# Does it FIT?

- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/how-to-find-your-college-fit/how-to-find-a-college-that-fits-you>
- Use Family Connection to narrow down your search by criteria such as:
  - Size
  - Private/Public
  - Majors
  - Location/Distance from Home
  - Acceptance Rates
  - Student Population
- **College match and SuperMatch**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qx9NGpgUOWY>

And remember that there are many good college matches for every student, and that you can be successful at many types of schools.

# How to Choose?

- **Visit colleges**
  - Call the school for an appointment/check website for Preview Days
  - Go when students are in session, if at all possible
  - Bring back paper documentation from the school and turn it in to the attendance office – 2 visits allowed as a junior
- **Narrow down list to 3-5 you will apply to STARTING in Summer/August of Senior year**
- **Apply to at least one school in each category:**
  - Reach school
  - Reality school
  - Safety Net school

# Junior Year Timeline

- Fall- PSAT, Online College Searches
- Winter- sign up and take SAT/ACT or both for the 1<sup>st</sup> time
  - Fee Waivers are available for Free/Reduced
    - [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register)
    - [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- Spring- Visit Potential Colleges, Retake SAT/ACT if necessary; register for NCAA Eligibility Center

# Summer/Fall Senior Year

- Summer- Update Resume, Finalize College List
- Applications open starting July 2018
- Early Deadlines may start October 15th (this is usually the earliest)
- Check on Rolling Admissions/Regular Decision
- Counselors will visit Senior classes Early Fall to explain application process/answer your questions before you complete/submit applications.
- Process will also be on Family Connection Home page starting June 2018.



# Community Service Hours

- [www.X2VOL.com](http://www.X2VOL.com)
- School email login/ ID Number password
- Hours will be verified by email to the sponsor-record hours within 7 days of completing so credit is awarded
- April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline of senior year
- Not required- but highly encouraged!

# Helpful Resources

- Family Connection – Home Page, Khan Academy, interest inventories, college searches
- NCAA Athletes- [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
- W119- Ms. Villanueva and GO Center (sign up electronically in the counselors office)
- ASVAB- career aptitude
  - October 17th 5:00-7:00 pm at CTE
  - April 17<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00 pm at CTE
  - Free, but must sign up. Link will be sent out by Kelli Hemingway at CTE later in September and March.

# SURVEY

Needs Assessment- How can we help you?

<http://tinyurl.com/17-18fhs>

Follow us on Twitter FHS Counselors  
@friscocc!

Let's Have a Great Year!