

# College & Career Bulletin – February 2023

#### **Hey Firebirds!**

**College Preparation Information -** Students who plan on attending college after high school should be taking decisive steps to ensure they are on the right track.

 Seniors - you should have your post high school plans in place. Colleges are notifying students of acceptance, Community Colleges are ramping up their best programs and the many CTE options are ready for you to commit. Keep me informed - Fill out the Senior Exit Questionaire to help me prepare for Senior Awards Night!

The Eastmark High School PTO Senior Scholarship is open to all eligible Eastmark High School Seniors who plan to attend a post-secondary institution, trade school, mission trip, or military. The scholarship is paid out after the first semester is completed. Application - (Make a Copy) Deadline to apply is March 3rd, 2023 at 4 pm. Click here for information!

Thank you so much to Tez Adams-State Farm Agent and State Farm for TWO \$500.00 scholarships. Your generous donation plus the PTO's one \$500.00 scholarship will provide 3-\$500.00 scholarships! GO FIREBIRDS!□□

### **Important Senior Events!**

**College Going Seniors -** Have you committed to your University? If you have decided on the college for you - there are several steps you need to take to finalize your plans. Here is a great article on <u>"What to Do After You've made Your Final College Decision"</u>

**Spring Training Tickets for Completing the FAFSA -** The Arizona Cactus league & Az FAFSA Coalition have partnered to celebrate Arizona's high school Seniors who have completed the FAFSA by giving the first 750 Arizona High School Seniors who complete **this form** and meet all the promotion rules and guidelines four Spring Training tickets to a game of their choice between Feb 24th through Mar 11th. Learn how t qualify and access the submission form at FAFSASpringTraining.org -

**Education Forward Arizona Scholarship** - The Education Forward Arizona Scholarship is now accepting applications! Every year, Education Forward Arizona awards students up to \$6,000 per year (renewable for four years) for their educational expenses.

In addition to the scholarships, students receive <u>specialized support services</u> from an Education Forward Arizona Success Adviser.

To qualify, students must live in Arizona, be a high school senior, have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and be a member of an Education Forward Arizona college access partner program.

The deadline to apply is March 10, 2023. - Application Link

Mesa College Promise - The Mesa College Promise is a commitment from the City of Mesa to its residents that all eligible graduating high school students who live in Mesa can attend Mesa Community College for two years with Arizona resident tuition and fees fully funded. The Mesa College Promise provides financial support to students with demonstrated financial needs but who have not received enough Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) funds or other scholarships to completely cover the cost of college. The application cycle opens March 1st, the priority deadline is May 15th, and the final deadline is tentatively planned for July 15th. Please visit the Mesa College Promise website for more information: <a href="https://www.m.esacc.edu/mesa-promise">https://www.m.esacc.edu/mesa-promise</a>

**Queen Creek College Promise -** The Town of Queen Creek has announced an exciting program for local students—the Queen Creek Promise Program—a commitment from the Town to its residents for eligible high school students to attend Chandler-Gilbert Community College (CGCC) for two years with Arizona resident tuition fully funded. The educational offerings from CGCC include both certificates and degrees, helping Queen Creek reinvest in its community with higher education, as well as many flexible, workforce-ready programs and degrees designed to meet the area's current and future workforce needs. Eligible Queen Creek students can use this tuition assistance to help launch a career—or transfer on to a university. **Applications for the Fall 2023 semester will open March 1, 2023**, and be open until April 30. Scholarships will be awarded beginning June 1, 2023.

For more information, email embedded.advisor@cgc.edu.

**Juniors!** - Are you still trying to figure out what you need to do to be College Eligible? Here is a great resource to help you figure out your next steps. **Preparing for College: Junior Checklist** 

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- Work with your counselor to set your senior schedule. Enroll in the most challenging courses.
- Register for a spring SAT and/or ACT. Ask your counselor whether you should also take an SAT Subject Test.
- Explore summer opportunities on college campuses—a great way to find out what college life is all about.

**SAT/ACT** - Students who are going to a 4-year University after high school can boost their college application with a strong SAT and/or the ACT score. Juniors should be registering now to take the test come Spring and Summer. Juniors are already preparing for the ACT in April by working on Method Prep curriculum during A Hour Classes.

The ACT will be given to Juniors here on our campus on April 5th, 2022, no need to register!

**Sophomores and Freshman!** - Planning for College starts as early as your Freshman year in High School. CollegeBoard is a great resource for students to help students understand what they can do to ensure they get into the college of their choice!

**Parents -** StudyPoint is putting on a webinar on <u>College Financing 101</u>: What every college-bound family should know about financial aid and how it works. Wednesday, February 8th, 2023 5 pm PT.

**Summer School Information -** Pick up summer school applications at the Attendance window from Coach Whittier. Turn them in ASAP to get your spot!

### **Preparing for College: Summer Programs**

- ASU has summer programs for students interested in getting that head start on preparing for their future! Access ASU Summer Programs are available for students in grades 8th 12th in a variety of topics including engineering, leadership, math and the arts. Programs are offered on all four ASU campuses and online, and formats range from day camps to residential programs, where students have the opportunity to live on campus.
- Carnegie Mellon Pre-College Summer Programs we are looking for students who are excited by
  their subject of interest and who strive for success both inside and outside of the classroom. Our admission
  consideration is holistic and considers both the academic and extracurricular experiences of every student.
  Students are admitted on a rolling basis until the application deadline. Scholarship applications will be read
  collectively and decisions will be released on April 14.
- United States Naval Academy Summer Program
   Current Juniors that are considering the
   Naval Academy as their college of choice are strongly encouraged to apply to Summer Seminar. You
   will be introduced to life at the Academy where you will experience first-class academic, athletic, and
   professional training.

# Naval Academy 2023 SESSION DATES

- SESSION 1 (SAT THURS)
- JUNE 3 JUNE 8
- SESSION 2 (SAT THURS)
- JUNE 10 JUNE 15
- SESSION 3 (SUN FRI)
- JUNE 18 JUNE 23\*

**Join the Virtual College & Career Center -** Your CCC is now a Google Classroom that you can join! Get the latest on College information, Leadership and Volunteer opportunities, Scholarship information, and everything you need to prepare for after high school!

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Class of 2025 = egvly2o

Class of 2026 = w2xvhyp