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SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE!

Undergraduate Training Assistance Program: Here is an example of a government agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, providing tuition assistance and internship opportunities to students interested in becoming future employees. Other agencies have similar programs. This program is intended to recruit minorities, women, and individuals with disabilities into the agency, but others may also apply. This one provides tuition (up to \$18,000/year) and a salary that will cover living expenses to seniors who intend to major in subjects of interest to DIA, such as various sciences, International Relations/Foreign Area Studies, Political Science, and others. Some financial need is also a factor. See www.dia.mil and find Student Programs under the Employment tab for details. **Deadline: November 30th**

American Fire Sprinkler Association: \$2,000 for seniors willing to read an essay about fire sprinkler systems and take a 10 question quiz for a chance to win a scholarship. Visit www.afsascholarship.org for details and instructions. For each correct answer on the open-book quiz you earn an entry into the drawing for the cash! **Deadline: May 3rd** (However, you can enter now...don't wait!)

Omaha World-Herald Kearney Hub Scholarship (UNK): Apply for the Honors Program at UNK and for this full-ride scholarship at the same time. We had a winner recently! You must score a 28 on the ACT and be in the top 10% of your class for the scholarship. The honors program itself is a little less demanding with minimums of 26 on the ACT and top 25% of your class. Various scholarships and room waivers are available to top applicants. **Deadline: December 1st (Honors Program deadline is Feb 1st)**

THINGS TO CONSIDER

One Fee for Three Applications! Take advantage of this deal offered by UNL, UNO, and UNK. For a single \$45 admissions fee, you can keep your options open and apply to all three. Visit www.unl.edu, www.unk.edu, or www.unomaha.edu to apply for admission and only pay for the first application. Get your ACT or SAT done by December with scores reported directly to these schools and be admitted before January 15th at UNL or February 1st at UNO or UNK for scholarship consideration.

Free Application Week for Nebraska State Colleges! No, it isn't a mistake...you can apply for admission to the State Colleges in Wayne, Peru, or Chadron for free any time from October 19th at 9 am to October 24th at 4 pm and it won't cost you a cent! So get online during that week at www.nscs.edu and click on APPLY NOW to submit those applications without the usual fee (Wayne = \$30, Chadron = \$15, Peru = no fee anyway). If you have any thought about considering a Nebraska State College, please plan to apply during this week!

Honors Programs: Many colleges have honors programs for top students who want a challenging college experience. Admission to an honors program may also include scholarships. Qualifications do vary from college to college. We mentioned the UNL Honors Programs last week and UNK this week, but there are tons more out there. If you have a solid academic record along with involvement in extracurricular activities, leadership, and community service, you should consider applying. Apply early, as enrollment may be limited. See your counselor if you have any questions or concerns.

NEW CAMPUS VISIT OPPORTUNITIES

University of Nebraska at Omaha has a variety of dates planned for Open House events. They start with a special **UNO Homecoming Open House** on Saturday, October 10th, from 8:15 to 11:30 am followed by a tailgate party and a football game...free of charge to those who attend the open house event. The **Standard Open House (Maverick Mondays)** will also run from 8:15 am to noon with optional activities afterwards. The dates for those will be November 16th, December 7th, February 15th, and March 22nd. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** See www.BEaMAV.com and click on Visit UNO for details and to sign up to attend any of these events.

Iowa Western Community College: If you want to check out this campus across the river in Council Bluffs, attend one of their **Reiver Visit Days**. There are two scheduled this fall on Friday, November 20th and Friday, December 11th from 8:30 to 11:30 am followed by optional tours. They also have a series of themed visits such as the Art Critique Workshop (10/13), Theatre Nights (11/19 and 4/26) and a few others (ask your Art or Theatre teachers, if you want to attend those). Call Admissions at 325-3278 to ask about any of their campus visit opportunities. See www.iwcc.edu for more about Iowa Western.

Nebraska Wesleyan University: This campus in Lincoln will be holding a series of **Prairie Wolf Days** this fall. You can choose from Friday, October 23rd; Friday, November 6th; Saturday, or November 14th. The Friday option will run from Noon to 3 pm and the Saturday event runs from 9 am to 1 pm. Please RSVP at least a week in advance by calling 800-541-3818, ext. 2218 or go online at www.FindOutNWU.com and click on Campus Visit to get all the details and register.

COLLEGE AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOL REPS VISITING BEHS

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| Monday | Sept 28 th | Period 3 | Rockhurst University, Kansas City MO |
| Monday | Sept 28 th | Period 4 | Hastings College, Hastings NE |
| Wednesday | Sept 30 th | Period 2 | Xenon School of Hair Design, Omaha NE |
| Wednesday | Sept 30 th | Period 3 | University of Nebraska, Omaha NE |
| Tuesday | Oct 6 th | Period 2 | Metropolitan Community College, Omaha NE |
| Tuesday | Oct 6 th | Period 4 | Iowa Western Community College, Council Bluffs IA |

OTHER REMINDERS:

- Fridays@WSC:** Sept 25th or Oct 9th, see Campus Visits at www.wsc.edu/admission
- UNO College Prep Day,** Sept 26th, 8:30 am to 1 pm, www.kaptest.com/enroll (look under Free Events)
- UNL Red Letter Days:** Sept 30th, or Oct 5th, register a week ahead at <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit>
- UNK Multicultural Scholars and Leaders Day:** Oct 28th, See Mr. Juarez by Sept 30th
- Nov 7th SAT Test:** Oct 1st is the regular registration deadline, see www.collegeboard.com
- K-State Senior Day:** Oct 2nd, 9 am - 4 pm, www.consider.k-state.edu
- Creighton University CU Sunday:** Oct 4th, 11 am, <http://admissions.creighton.edu>
- BEHS ACT Prep:** Oct 5th & 7th from 6 - 8:45 pm; Practice Test Oct 10th at 8 am (Sign up in Counseling)
- UNL Women in Engineering Day:** Oct 10th, register soon at www.engineering.unl.edu/events/wiie
- K-State Engineering Scholarship Day:** Oct 12th, see www.engg.ksu.edu under Future Students

Try the Internet for more help than you ever wanted! Here are some helpful addresses:

Scholarships

www.fastweb.com
www.collegeanswer.com
www.freschinfo.com
www.educationquest.org

Financial Aid

www.nasfaa.org
www.finaid.org
www.ed.gov/finaid.html
www.fafsa.ed.gov

College Planning

www.collegeboard.com
www.petersons.com
www.ACTStudent.org
www.students.gov