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## SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE!

**Outstanding Students of America Scholarship:** \$1,000 - Here is nationwide scholarship offer that probably has low odds, but if you have a 4.0/5.0 GPA and are involved in school and community activities, you could give it a try. The application is also registration to be included in their book (similar to Who's Who). Resist the temptation to buy the book, if you do apply. Get the details at [www.outstandingstudentsofamerica.com](http://www.outstandingstudentsofamerica.com). **Deadline: October 10<sup>th</sup>**

**NASSP and Herff Jones, Principal's Leadership Awards:** \$1,000 (state) up to \$12,000 (National) - This program is aimed at seniors in the top 20% of their class who clearly demonstrate leadership, have lots of extracurricular activities including athletics, and are involved in the community. We are limited to one nominee, so if you want to be considered, fill out an application at [www.applyists.net](http://www.applyists.net) using key word **PLA**, print it out and turn it in to our counseling office. See [www.principals.org/pla](http://www.principals.org/pla) for info on this program. **Deadline to Counseling: November 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Nebraska State College System Scholarships:** Half-tuition Governor's Opportunity (GO) and full-tuition Board of Trustees' (BOT) scholarships, renewable for up to eight semesters, are available for **Peru State, Wayne State, or Chadron State**. The GO scholarship requires an ACT score between 21 and 24 and intent to stay in NE after graduation to become a leader in your community. The BOT scholarship requires a minimum 25 on the ACT and a letter of recommendation from your favorite teacher. See [www.nscs.edu](http://www.nscs.edu) for details and the applications.

**Deadlines: December 1<sup>st</sup> (GO) or January 15<sup>th</sup> (BOT)**

## HELPFUL SUGGESTION...VOLUNTEER AND GET INVOLVED!!!

Grades alone will not always make you competitive. Scholarship sponsors want to see a well-rounded resume with activities in and out of the school world. Here are a few examples of volunteer opportunities for you to consider. However, there are many, many more ways to make good use of your volunteer time...get out there and make a difference in your community!

**Joslyn Art Museum:** Become a JAMBassador by volunteering to help the Joslyn Art Museum. See [www.joslyn.org](http://www.joslyn.org) under the Education & Research tab or contact their program coordinator at 342-3300, ext. 255 for more information and to sign up. I have a copy of their application which is **due this Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**, so see me today if you are interested.

**Creighton University Medical Center:** Like other hospitals, this one depends on the smiling faces of volunteers for many tasks. You can offer to help in their customer service areas or maybe even in patient care areas. If you are interested, stop in and ask me for a volunteer package. You will also need to get a recommendation from a school counselor or teacher to go with your application. Direct any questions to Volunteer Services at 449-4260.

**The Durham Museum:** Here's another fine institution that could probably use your help. Check out [www.durhammuseum.org](http://www.durhammuseum.org) and click on "Volunteer" under the "Support" tab to see what they have for you. Then, fill out their volunteer form (I also have a paper version) or call 444-5071.

**ACT PREP NOTE:** Our Career center is offering ACT prep classes on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in the evening from 6:00 - 8:45 pm. There will also be an ACT Practice Test here at BEHS on October 10<sup>th</sup>. If you want to participate in any these sessions, please stop in the counseling office and put your name on the sign-up sheets.

## COLLEGE AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOL REPS VISITING BEHS

Friday	Sept 11 <sup>th</sup>	Period 3	University of Nebraska, Kearney NE
Monday	Sept 14 <sup>th</sup>	Period 2	Northwestern College, St. Paul MN
Wednesday	Sept 16 <sup>th</sup>	Period 4	Upper Iowa University, Fayette IA
Wednesday	Sept 16 <sup>th</sup>	Period 6	Bryan LGH College of Health Sciences, Lincoln NE
Thursday	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	Period 2	Drake University, Des Moines IA
Thursday	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup>	Period 3	Wayne State College, Wayne NE



### SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES APPROACHING:

(see previous senior newsletters for details)

10/1/09	Wendy's High School Heisman Nominations
10/15/09	Washington University St. Louis Danforth Scholars Program
10/30/09	Horatio Alger National and Ak-Sar-Ben Scholarships
10/31/09	Coca-Cola Scholars Program
11/1/09	VPW Voice of Democracy Essay Contest
11/2/09	Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

## NEW COLLEGE CAMPUS VISIT OPPORTUNITIES

**University of Northern Iowa** will be in the local area on September 17<sup>th</sup> to talk with interested students. They will be at the Holiday Inn & Suites at Ameristar in Council Bluffs from 6:30 to 8:00 pm and you can register to visit with them by calling 800-722-2037. See [www.uni.edu/admissions](http://www.uni.edu/admissions) for more info about this school.

**South Dakota State University** is holding a **Senior Day** on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, at their campus in Brookings SD. Check-in starts at 12:30 pm and the day ends with a free BBQ and football game against Indiana State (The Beef Bowl). If you want to attend, call the admissions office at 800-952-3541 or register online at [www.sdstate.edu](http://www.sdstate.edu) by finding key word Senior Day.

**Kansas State:** This popular campus is offering **Senior Days** on September 21<sup>st</sup>, October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, as well as November 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The one on September 21<sup>st</sup> is aimed at out-of-state students, but you can attend any of these events. The Senior Day schedule runs from 9 am to 4 pm. They also have a **Multicultural Pride Day** on October 23<sup>rd</sup> that will provide an overview of multicultural activities on campus. Any of these events will cost you \$20 (plus \$15 for any parent attending) and you can register at [www.consider.k-state.edu](http://www.consider.k-state.edu) under Special Events or call Madison at 800-432-8270 for more information.

**UNL Red Letter Days:** These are all-day programs for you and your parents to learn more about UNL. They are held this fall on Sept 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>; Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>; Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>; and Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. Some of these dates focus on specific fields of study. The **cost is \$10 per person**. Anyone who coded UNL as a prospective school on last year's ACT should have received an invitation. Even if you didn't receive an invitation see <http://admissions.unl.edu/visit> or call Tabitha (800-742-8800, ext. 2026) for more details and to sign up. **Reservations are due one week ahead of a visit.**

**UNK Multicultural Scholars and Leaders Day:** This is a special open house focused on scholarship opportunities available to talented multicultural seniors and any other senior interested in supporting multicultural diversity. It will be held on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> and bus transportation from Omaha is usually provided. See Mr. Juarez about that and the registration process, if are interested. He can also provide you with more details about the program. If you might like to attend, ask him for a registration form soon. You will need to return that form to Mr. Juarez by Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### OTHER REMINDERS:

**October 24<sup>th</sup> ACT:** Sept 18<sup>th</sup> is the regular registration deadline [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)  
**Creighton University CU Sunday:** Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, 11 am to 3 pm, <http://admissions.creighton.edu>  
**Lutheran College Fair:** Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:45 - 9 pm, King of Kings Lutheran Church, [www.lutherancolleges.org](http://www.lutherancolleges.org)  
**UNL Chemistry Day:** Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, a teacher must register you by Sept 21<sup>st</sup>, [www.chem.unl.edu/chemday](http://www.chem.unl.edu/chemday)  
**Duke, Georgetown, Harvard, Stanford & Penn:** Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 pm,  
Omaha Marriott Regency, <http://exploringcollegeoptions.org>  
**UNO College Prep Day,** Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 am to 1 pm, [www.kaptest.com/enroll](http://www.kaptest.com/enroll) (look under Free Events)