

TWO MINUTES # 5
February 9, 2021

- 9-11 **REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR** will be conducted in February and early March. Students need to start planning for next year's courses. Remember, required classes that are not passed 1st and/or 2nd semester will have to be taken again next year. Talk to your teachers about class options and pre-requisites.
1. **Feb 11-12** – Dual Enrollment session with Sophomores and Juniors. (WACC Application)
 2. **Late Feb-Early March** – Teachers Recommendations for all students 8th grade – 11th grade.
 3. **Middle of March** – Registration by class 8th grade – 11th grade.
 4. **Late March-Early April** – Student requests tabulated and Master Schedule parameters set for scheduling.
- For more information, check out the **2021-2022 Course Handbook** located in the Fulton High School Section of the district website in FHS Counselor's Corner – High School Planning
- 10-11 **WACC APPLICATIONS – DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26** students who want to be considered for enrollment at Whiteside Area Career Center **MUST** have their application completed along with a one or two paragraph statement stating their reasons for wishing to take courses at WACC, no later than **Feb. 26.**
- 10-11 **2020-21 CEO APPLICATION - DUE MARCH 19th**. The Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities (CEO) Class Advisory Board welcomes your application to participate in the 2020-2021 CEO Class. This course is supported by the business community in the Sauk Valley region in partnership with the member schools of the Whiteside Area Career Center (WACC). The class meets at a variety of businesses in the region and is facilitated by LeAndra Hartman in collaboration with our business partners. As a member of the CEO Class, you will be challenged in new and exciting ways, and you will learn from some of the best and brightest business minds in the area. In addition, you will have the opportunity to develop a lasting and important network of contacts. The class meets for 1.5 hours each school day (7:50-9:20) and you can plan on spending time outside of the school day following through with the work and projects of the class. The application and more info can be found on the CEO website. **The application must be completed in full and submitted by March 19th if you are interested in applying.** Here is a link to the website: <https://www.wacc-ceo.com/>.
- 9-10 **THE 2021 RURAL HEALTH CAREERS SUMMER CAMP IS LOOKING FOR APPLICANTS.** The National Center for Rural Health Professions (NCRHP) is looking for rising freshman or sophomore students who are from a rural area and have interest in health-related professions. Approximately 45 students from various high schools in our region will be chosen for this exciting and competitive opportunity! The Camp, will be held **June 21-24** at Rockford University in Rockford, Illinois. This is a four-day, overnight camp where students will participate in healthcare-related activities and learn what it means to be a rural healthcare professional! **Students must submit their applications by March 28.** More information on the program and a copy of the application can be found on the NCRHP website at <http://ncrhp.uic.edu/>. Click on "Student Opportunities".
- 12 **SENIORS – 27 STUDENTS NEED TO COMPLETE THEIR FAFSA.**
Get your FAFSA completed and submitted by no later than April 14.
- To receive a diploma from a Fulton High School, the ISBE has stated that a student **must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. If you have questions or need help please refer to my website [FHS Counselor's Corner](#) and click on the Financial Aid/FAFSA button. Alternatively, a parent/guardian must file a waiver if they choose to opt a child out of this graduation requirement by completing the Nonparticipation form; students who are at least 18 years of age or legally emancipated may complete the form themselves. If you wish to opt yourself or your student out of the Financial Aid Application graduation requirement, please complete the attached form and return it to me by email or drop it off at the Student Services office.
 - **Have a parent work on this with you.**
 - Step 1 - FSA ID - <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
 - Step 2 – FAFSA - <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
- In addition, spend some time now, researching financial aid, grants, loans and scholarships. Talk to your colleges of choice about financial aid.

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9-12 **STUDENTS AND PARENTS WHO ARE STRUGGLING DEALING WITH COVID AND LIFE ISSUES** are encouraged to visit “The Child Mind Institute” web site.

- **The Child Mind Institute** is an independent, national nonprofit dedicated to transforming the lives of children and families struggling with mental health and learning disorders. Our teams work every day to deliver the highest standards of care, advance the science of the developing brain and empower parents, professionals and policymakers to support children when and where they need it most.
 - **For Families** When a child is struggling, the whole family is affected. At the Child Mind Institute, we want to help you make good decisions for your kids and navigate the challenges of parenting. We explore the concerns and challenges we hear about most from parents and provide expert guidance on how to respond in the most effective way. And if you have a child who needs support, we offer resources that can help you get the best care for that child and the best outcome for your family.

11-12 **SVCC Dual Credit students** are able to apply of scholarships to help pay for their credits. Students should check the svcc.edu web site on the **first of each month** to apply for scholarship help. When asked for a filed FAFSA, attach a word document that states that you are a Dual Credit Student and have not filed yet.

9-12 **SCHOLARSHIPS** are being updated weekly. Check out our school website each week to see what scholarship applications deadlines are coming up. Scholarships are listed in 3 categories; River Bend-Area/Regional-National. Go to the following website: <https://www.riverbendschools.org/> Then Fulton High School – FHS Counselor’s Corner – Scholarships – Scholarship Applications.

9-12 **SCHOLARSHIP UP-DATE** The following scholarships are found on the school’s web-site (go to www.riverbendschools.org -Fulton High School-FHS Counselor’s Corner-Scholarships) and are due within the next few weeks. Go to www.scholarships.com to help you with national scholarship searches.

<u>NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP</u>	<u>POST MARK</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
Golden Apple Scholarship	12-1 to 4-1	12
IL School Counselor Association Student	2-12	12
Bi-County Special Education Scholarship	2-15	12
VFW Continuing Education	2-15	12
QC Community Foundation	2-15	12
Illinois Federation of Women’s Clubs	2-15	12
- 5 different scholarships - Art-Drama/Theater-Education-Music-Vocational/Technical		
World Class Scholarship	2-15	12
Martin Luther Scholarship	2-15	12
Christian Leadership	2-15	12
Illinois Chemical Education Association	2-19	12
Lupita Turriff Hispanic	2-24	12
Ecolab High School Senior Scholarship	2-24	12
Sharar Foundation Red & Gold Scholarship	2-26	12
HyVee Scholarship	2-28	12
Jo-Carroll Electric Lineworker	3-1	12
Jo-Carroll Electric Scholarship	3-1	12
Sharar Foundation Scholarship Clinton CC	3-1	12
Illinois Special Ed. Teacher Tuition Waiver	3-1	12
Minority Teachers of Illinois	3-1	12
EICC Connections Scholarship	3-1	12
Township Officials of Illinois	3-1	12
Illinois Odd Fellow-Rebekah	3-1	12
Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation	3-1	12
Distinguished Young Women of Illinois	3-1	11
Sauk Valley Agriculture	3-1	12
Jo-Carroll Electric Two-Year Technical	3-2	12

13 more due in March

Local River Bend scholarships coming soon. Check out past applications to get started.