



**NEWS FROM THE  
COUNSELING DEPARTMENT  
May 2022**

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***Class of 2023  
Senior Parent Night  
Wednesday  
August 31st  
6:30 PM Leadership Center***

***Dear Parents,***

***Please mark this date on your calendar. Parents of a senior are encouraged to attend this program. However, attendance is not mandatory. The program will be taped for those who are not able to attend.***

***The college counselors will explain Marian's procedures for the college application process. Other topics that***

***will be covered are the Common App, Common Black College application, Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR), application deadlines, Early Decision/Early Action, test-optional, and scholarships.***

## ***Counselor Assignments for the Class of 2023***

***A - Me Mr. Rodewald [mrodewald@marianchs.com](mailto:mrodewald@marianchs.com)***

***Mi - Z Mr. O'Brien [gobrien@marianchs.com](mailto:gobrien@marianchs.com)***

## **Writing a Killer Essay Workshop**

There is still space available for students who are interested in attending the workshop, especially for both workshops on Wednesday June 8. The registration form may be dropped off in the Main Office or you may email Mr. Rodewald to let him know and then have your student bring the registration form and payment on June 7 or June 8.

## **Common App**

The Common Application ([www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)) is accepted by more than 1,000 colleges and universities worldwide. All public universities in Illinois and Indiana accept the Common App. There are also 56 private schools in Illinois and Indiana that accept the Common App.

Students do not have to wait until returning to school in August to create a Common App account. They may create an account now. If they create an account before August 1st, they will indicate that they are a junior. On August 1st, all Common App accounts that have already been created will roll over and the students will be listed as seniors.

The college counselors will have workshops to assist the students with the Common App before classes resume in August as well as during September.

## **Processing Applications**

As stated in the section above, students will be able to begin working on applications August 1st. If a transcript is needed to complete the Courses & Grades section of the Common App or an SRAR (the student has to submit grades - the school does not want a transcript), students may email the counselors to request an unofficial transcript. However, official transcripts will not be submitted to colleges / universities until after we return to school.

## Financial Aid Program

An evening presentation on financial aid for college / completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is being planned for September. Watch for information about the date in future newsletters and emails. The date will be posted as soon as we have received confirmation from our speaker. FAFSA may be filed anytime after October 1st.

## Visiting Colleges

Most colleges and universities have resumed in-person visits. Check websites for more information.

## Update on Test Optional

While some colleges and universities that were test-optional for the Class of 2022 will require a test score for admission for the Class of 2023, most that were test-optional will continue to be. At last count, there are close to 1,500 schools that will be test-optional. There are more than 50 four-year colleges and universities in Illinois and more than 40 in Indiana that are test-optional. For an up-to-date list, go to [www.fairtest.org](http://www.fairtest.org) or check the admissions website for the college or university.

### **ACT test dates**

July 16  
Registration deadline June 10  
**Sept 10\***  
**Registration deadline Aug 5**  
***Marian is a test center for this date***  
Oct 22  
Registration deadline Sept 26  
Dec 10  
Registration deadline Nov 4

### **SAT test dates**

Aug 27  
Registration deadline July 29  
Oct 1  
Registration deadline Sept 2  
Nov 5  
Registration deadline Oct 7  
Dec 3  
Registration deadline Nov 3