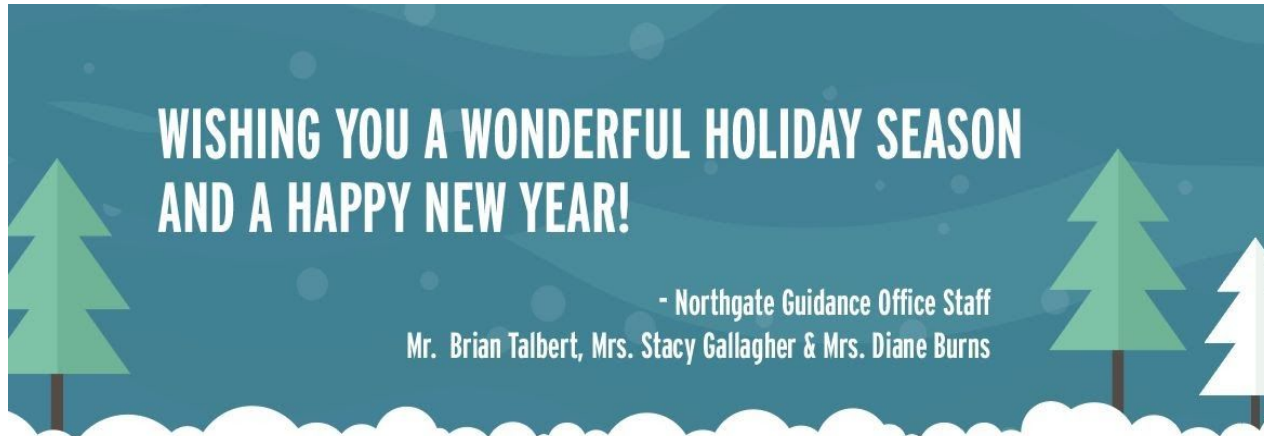


# Guidance Department



## December 2020



## Dates to Remember

**Dec. 9**

Virtual Financial Aid Night  
6:00pm  
Contact guidance for link

**Dec. 11**

Middle of 2nd Qtr

**Dec. 23 - Jan. 1**

Winter Break  
No School

**Jan.18**

No School

**Jan. 25**

End of 2nd qtr/1st semester

**March 1**

Middle of 3rd Qtr

**March 31**

End of 3rd Qtr

**April 1-5**

Spring Break

**April 8**

Registration deadline for  
May 8 SAT at Northgate

**May 7**

Middle of 4th Qtr

**June 11**

Last Day for Students

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## Federal Student Aid

The FSA ID is the way for students and parents to electronically sign the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Your FSA ID is used to confirm your identity when accessing your financial aid information and electronically signing your federal student aid documents. Go to [fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov) to apply for your Federal Student Aid identification number.

FAFSA stands for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Colleges and universities use this form to determine your eligibility for federal, state, and college-sponsored financial aid, including grants, educational loans, and work-study programs. Therefore, even though the FAFSA is technically the application for federal aid, you have to fill it out to receive state and college-sponsored financial aid as well. If you're hoping for any government or school financial aid for college, you should file a FAFSA. Once you have your FSA ID, go to [www.studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa](https://www.studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa) to learn more and start your application.

## College & University Open Houses

The following colleges are sponsoring Open Houses for you to visit them. Check their websites for registration information.

**Carlow University**  
Dec. 4, 7 & 11  
[www.carlow.edu](http://www.carlow.edu)

**Slippery Rock University**  
Jan. 23 & 30  
[www.sru.edu](http://www.sru.edu)

**West Liberty University**  
Dec. 4  
[www.westliberty.edu](http://www.westliberty.edu)

**PA College of Art and Design**  
Jan. 19 & March 30  
[www.pcad.edu](http://www.pcad.edu)

**St. Vincent College**  
Dec. 12 & 19  
[www.stvincent.edu](http://www.stvincent.edu)

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# SAT & ACT Testing Dates

SAT test takers must provide a valid photo ID and a registration ticket (even if taking the test at Northgate.) You will need standard #2 pencils and a calculator. No Registration ticket = No admittance. No ID = No admittance. If you need an ID, please stop at the Guidance Office. For more information visit [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

Register for the SAT at [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register) with Northgate Code 393-640.  
Register for the ACT at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

## ACT Dates and Deadlines

Dec. 12, 2020

Registration deadline Nov. 6

Feb. 6, 2021

Registration deadline Jan. 8

April 7, 2021

Registration deadline March 12

June 12, 2021

Registration deadline May 7

July 17, 2021

Registration deadline June 18

## SAT Dates and Deadlines

Dec. 5, 2020

Registration deadline Nov. 5

March 13, 2021

Registration deadline Feb. 12

**May 8, 2021 (AT NORTHGATE)**

Registration deadline April 8

June 5, 2021

Registration deadline May 6

# Want to Play College Sports?

College-bound student-athletes preparing to enroll in Division I or Division II school needs to register with the NCAA Eligibility Center. While playing sports at a Division III school does not require you to register with the Eligibility Center it is recommended that you still complete the free profile page. Go to [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org) or [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) for more information

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# Scholarship Opportunities

## **ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY B. KENNETH SIMON FREE ENTERPRISE SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship is valued at \$56,000. To qualify high school seniors should have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher and a combined, minimum SAT score of 1170 or an ACT minimum composite score of 24. Students who apply must have a sponsoring high school teacher to serve as an advisor for the research paper component. *For additional information see the informational flyer and application in the attachment section of this newsletter.*

[www.rmu.edu/bksimon](http://www.rmu.edu/bksimon)

DEADLINE: Dec. 18, 2020

## **NATIONAL ITALIAN AMERICAN SPORTS HALL OF FAME**

The Pittsburgh chapter of the National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame is offering scholarships for 2019 high school seniors. The criteria for selection are high school achievement, financial need, and athletic ability at the varsity level.

[www.italiansportspgh.com/scholarships.html](http://www.italiansportspgh.com/scholarships.html)

DEADLINE: Jan. 13, 2021

## **EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AND CENTRAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (EAWCP)**

The EAWCP will award nine scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have epilepsy/seizure disorder and are planning to attend a postsecondary school. Applicants must have a diagnosis of epilepsy/seizure disorder that has a confirmed statement from their physician, proof of acceptance to a school full time after graduation, be a resident of Western or Central Pennsylvania and must attend at least one of the EAWCP's Run/Walks in Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Altoona or Erie.

[www.eawcp.org/programs/ProgramsScholarship.xml](http://www.eawcp.org/programs/ProgramsScholarship.xml)

Deadline is April 1, 2021

## **PENNSYLVANIA AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIPS VARIOUS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR STUDENT IN GRADES 9-12.**

[www.pa-legion.com/programs/student-programs/scholarships](http://www.pa-legion.com/programs/student-programs/scholarships)

## **PB&J SCHOLARSHIP**

For students who have experienced personal challenges that may not have allowed them to perform well academically (High GPA is not needed to qualify!)

<https://pbjscholarship.org/>

Deadline is May 31, 2021

## **WISEGEEK WOMEN IN STEM SCHOLARSHIP**

A new scholarship for female students interested in STEM is now available. They are awarding \$500 through the WiseGeek Women in STEM Scholarship and would love to receive applicants from Northgate Junior - Senior High School. Eligibility: Female high school students who are planning to pursue a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math.

Amount: \$500

<https://www.wisegeek.com/wisegeek-women-in-stem-no-essay-scholarship.htm>

Application Deadline: 12/31/20

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### **NATIONAL ITALIAN AMERICAN SPORTS HALL OF FAME SCHOLARSHIP**

The Pittsburgh Chapter of the National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame is awarding scholarships to graduating seniors with high academic achievement, financial need, and a member of a varsity sports team.

**Contact the guidance office for an application.**

Deadline is January 13, 2021.

### **KADES-MARGOLIS/BERT CAMERON SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is for an eligible son/daughter (student) of a PSEA Western Region member who plans to pursue a career in Pennsylvania Public Education. High school graduates (seniors) who plan to attend a college or university, beginning in the Fall 2021 term and at least one parent **MUST** be a PSEA WESTERN REGION member. All qualified applicants must complete the attached application and submit with the form a printed personal essay.

**Contact the guidance office for an application.**

Deadline: 5:00pm February 1, 2021

### **The 2021 EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AND CENTRAL PA(EAWCP)SCHOLARSHIP**

They will award ten scholarships. The three applicants with the highest combined scores will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and the remaining eight will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Applicants must have a diagnosis of epilepsy/seizure disorder that is confirmed by a doctor's statement, attending school full time in the 2021-2022 school year and must attend at least one of the EAWCP's Run/Walk in Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, Altoona or Erie.

**[https://www.eawcp.org/applications/2020\\_EAWCP\\_scholarship\\_application.pdf](https://www.eawcp.org/applications/2020_EAWCP_scholarship_application.pdf)**

Deadline on the application is April 1, 2021-it is incorrect on the link

### **DELVENTHAL LAW SCHOLARSHIP**

This \$1,000 scholarship is available to all high school seniors and current college students who are planning on entering the law field and must be attending a 4 or 2 year college for Fall 2021.

**<https://delventhal-law.com/practice-areas/fort-wayne-car-accident-attorney/#scholarship-application>**

Deadline; April 15, 2021

### **PACAC SCHOLARSHIP**

This one-year non-renewable scholarship is for high school seniors graduating from PACAC member high schools. This scholarship is intended to support a student's goal of continuing his or her education. High school seniors will be selected based on Academic performance in a college prep curriculum, financial need, commitment to cultural and intellectual diversity and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 at the end of the first semester of senior year

If you wish to apply for this scholarship please inform Mr. Talbert so that he can complete the counselor form on your behalf. Multiple students may apply for this scholarship.

**<https://www.pacac.org/assets/images/scholarship/PACAC%20Scholarship%20Flyer%2020-21.pdf>**

Deadline: January 15, 2021

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### **THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR DIVERSITY IN MEDIA**

This scholarship is open to high school seniors who are culturally, ethnically or racially diverse and are planning to study journalism, communication or English writing at a four-year college or university. The scholarship will include financial assistance of up to \$7,500 per year for four years, a guaranteed annual internship with Trib Total Media and an offer for full-time employment upon graduation.

<https://tribtotalmedia.com/scholarship-for-diversity-in-media/>

The deadline to apply is January 31.

### **THE JIM BORDEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is offered to high school or college students attending — or planning to attend — a four-year college or university to study journalism, English writing or communication. The recipient will earn up to \$30,000 in scholarship money awarded in annual installments of up to \$7,500, an annual internship with Trib Total Media and an offer for full-time employment upon graduation.

<https://tribtotalmedia.com/jim-borden-memorial-scholarship/>

The deadline to apply is January 31.

### **EQUITABLE EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

\*Be United States citizens or legal residents living or claiming residency in one of the 50 U.S. states, District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico.

\*Be current high school seniors who reside and attend high school in the U.S., Puerto Rico, or Washington D.C.

\*Plan to enroll full-time in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the United States by Fall 2021.

\*Enrollment at an accredited post-secondary institution outside of the United States may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

\*Be willing to provide a release to publicize their identities and information about their achievements along with photographs for use in program promotion and information.

Employees, associates, financial professionals, or immediate family members of employees, associates, or financial professionals of Equitable, Equitable Advisors and all Equitable affiliated companies or Scholarship America, or their affiliates, subsidiaries, or advertising and promotion agencies, are not eligible to apply to this program.

<https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/equitableexcellence/>

Deadline: December 15, 2020 3:00 pm or when 10,000 applications are submitted, whichever occurs first.

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## Additional Opportunities

**Scholastic Art & Writing Award:** All students in grades 7-12 in public, private, or home scholars may submit original works of art and writing to the Awards. More than \$300,000 in scholarships will be distributed to select Award recipients. [www.artandwriting.org](http://www.artandwriting.org)

**FirstEnergy's Power System Institute (PSI) program:** West Penn Power is continuing its partnership with Westmoreland Community College and Pennsylvania Highlands Community College. They are offering an Associates of Applied Science degree in Electric Utility Technology that combines academics and hands-on training to prepare potential students for a career in either a line worker or a substation electrician. FirstEnergy is paying the tuition, required books and lab fees for qualified candidates. Information and registration is available at [www.firstenergycorp.com/psi](http://www.firstenergycorp.com/psi)

**Focus on Excellence Pittsburgh-CHarper and WISH 99.7** are offering this year's Juniors and Seniors the chance to win a Ford Focus. [www.focuspittsburgh.net](http://www.focuspittsburgh.net)

**Athletic Trainer Workshop-**UPMC Sports Medicine is offering a bi-annual workshop for high school students interested in a career in athletic training or who wish to enhance the skills they use daily in their high school athletic training room. Participants will learn key topics through lecture, demonstration and PowerPoint Presentation. This workshop will be presented through Microsoft Teams on Saturday, December 5, 2020 from 9:00am to 12:00pm.. The main topics will cover what the role of an athletic trainer is in multiple settings, anatomy, and common injuries among other topics. There is no fee for the workshop but you must register by emailing Rob McCabe at [mccabere@upmc.edu](mailto:mccabere@upmc.edu). Questions can be directed to Mr. McCabe at 412-432-3724.

## Online Resources

### SAT Information

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

### ACT Information

[www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

### Financial Aid

[www.aessuccess.org](http://www.aessuccess.org)

[www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

[www.myfedloan.org](http://www.myfedloan.org)

[www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org)

[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

### Scholarships

[www.collegexpress.com](http://www.collegexpress.com)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.goodcall.com/scholarships](http://www.goodcall.com/scholarships)

[www.pittsburghfoundation.org](http://www.pittsburghfoundation.org)

[www.studentscholarships.org](http://www.studentscholarships.org)

[www.tuitionfundingsources.com](http://www.tuitionfundingsources.com)

### Athletic Eligibility

[www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org)

[www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)

### Life After High School

[www.educationplanner.org](http://www.educationplanner.org)

### Selective Service Registration

[www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)

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## Military Information

United States Military Academy  
Attn: Public Affairs Office  
Taylor Hall, Bldg 600  
West Point NY 10996-1788  
845-938-2006  
www.usma.edu

United States Naval Academy  
Attn: Public Affairs Officer  
121 Blake Road, Annapolis  
MD 21402-5000  
410-267-2291  
www.usna.edu

United States Air Force Academy  
Attn: Public Affairs Office  
2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 2300  
U.S. Air Force Academy, CO 80840-5016  
1-800-443-9266  
www.academyadmissions.com

United States Coast Guard  
Attn: Public Affairs Academy  
15 Mohegan Avenue  
New London, CT 06220-4195  
203-444-8270  
www.cga.edu

## Contact Information

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Assistant Principal  
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## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Northgate System is to provide each student with the opportunity to acquire knowledge and skills to the maximum of his or her potential through a challenging comprehensive program administered in a safe, caring environment so that each person will succeed and contribute as an ethical, responsible citizen in a rapidly changing global society.

## **Compliance Statement**

The Northgate School District will not discriminate in its education programs, activities, or employment practices, based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, religion, ancestry or any other legally protected classification. The announcement of this policy is in accordance with state and federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, SEctions 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. For information regarding grievances procedures, services, activities, programs, and facilities that are accessible to and usable by handicapped persons or, for inquiries regarding compliance with the above nondiscriminatory policies, please contact the Coordinator of Special Services, 591 Union Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15202 or via phone at 412-732-3300 – ext. 2000. The Northgate School District will make reasonable accommodations to its programs and services to assure access to all persons. If because of a disability, you require an accommodation, please contact the Coordinator of Special Services/Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator via phone at 412-732-3300 – ext. 2000.