



# CRUSADER College Connection

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## ACT Focus

### Tip of the Week: Check Your Bubbles!

Another important point to emphasize is that you should always recheck your answer sheet the last minute of a section to make sure all the bubbles are filled in. Remember there is NO penalty for guessing, which means lots and lots of bubbling.

**Start training yourself to make dark marks in small circles, because you are going to want to make sure every answer in sight on the ACT has a bubble filled in!**

Remember there is **NO** reason to ever leave an ACT question blank! Don't cheat yourself by forgetting to answer a question you previously skipped in a section. **For every four bubbles you leave blank, you miss out on one potential extra point on average, which can sometimes raise your score by a whole composite point.** Most other students will be doing this too. If you don't, you are putting yourself at a disadvantage!

## SCHOLARSHIP Update

**Scholarships are free money! They do not need to be repaid!**

There are thousands of scholarships available. Private companies, social organizations, nonprofits, and employers are among the few groups which offer scholarships to students. Check with your parent's employers. *Do they offer a scholarship?*

### SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

**September 30** "Don't Text & Drive" Scholarship | Money Metal Exchange Scholarship  
Be Bold Scholarship | Nitro Scholarship | Cirkled In Scholarship

**October 8** AES Scholarship

**October 15** Heisman High School Scholarship | Newcomer Funeral Service Group Scholarship  
American Muscle Student Scholarship

**2021-22**  
Scholarship Information

Report Earned Scholarships **HERE.**

## THIS WEEK'S COLLEGE REPS

College Reps are available at 11:10 during Empower Hour, located in the Connecting Commons.

### WEDNESDAY 9/22



Miami University,  
Oxford OH

- Priority App. Deadline: 12/1/21
- App. Deadline: Rolling Admission
- Scholarship Information:  
[www.miamioh.edu/scholarships](http://www.miamioh.edu/scholarships)



Maryville University,  
St. Louis MO

- App. Deadline: Rolling Admission
- Scholarship Information:  
[www.maryville.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships](http://www.maryville.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships)

### THURSDAY 9/23



Rockhurst University,  
Kansas City MO

- App. Deadline: Rolling Admission
- Scholarship Information:  
[www.rockhurst.edu/admissions/freshman/scholarships](http://www.rockhurst.edu/admissions/freshman/scholarships)



# LOOKING Ahead

Fall 2021

## September 17

Oct. 23 ACT Registration

## September 28

Junior/Senior College Night

## October 1

FAFSA opens

## October 1

Oct. 23 ACT Late Registration

## October 2

SAT Test Date

## October 13

SDHS Testing Day  
(PreAct & PSAT)

## October 15

Oct. 23 ACT Late Registration

## October 23

ACT Test Date

## November 1

Priority Application

Deadline (Most Universities)

## November 5

Dec. 11 ACT Registration

## November 6

SAT Test Date

## November 19

Dec. 11 ACT Late Registration

## December 3

Dec. 11 ACT Late Registration

## December 4

SAT Test Date

## December 11

ACT Test Date

## HELPFUL Links

### COLLEGE GUIDANCE

[www.stdominichs.org/college](http://www.stdominichs.org/college)

### SCOIR

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

### SCHOLARSHIPS

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

### FAFSA

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

### COMMON APP

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

### NCAA ELIGIBILITY

[web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3](http://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3)

### ACT

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

### SAT

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

## Alumni Spotlight

### Ali Vossenkemper '15

Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville  
BS in Nursing | RN at Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital



Ali Vossenkemper is a 2015 graduate who was involved in Cheerleading, Ambassadors, CRU, Pro-Life Club, National Honors Society and served as a Peer Minister. As a student at SDHS, Ali was very involved in the service of others and truly felt that God was calling her to choose a vocation in Nursing.

Ali attended Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville to pursue a Bachelors of Science in Nursing and was a member of Alpha Sigma

Tau Sorority, Sigma Theta Tau International Honors Society of Nursing and the Student Nurse Association. Upon graduation in 2019, Ali became a Registered Nurse at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and has recently transitioned to a new nursing role in the Pediatric Clinic within the hospital.

*"St. Dominic instilled in me the importance of prayer, study, community, and service. Academically, I felt challenged and always encouraged to do my absolute best from my mentors and peers. Most importantly to me, St. Dominic shaped me and helped create a strong foundation of faith that I've continued to carry with me into my career. I'm very proud to say that I work for the only free-standing, non-profit Catholic pediatric hospital in the country. Incorporating God into my daily life through prayer and service to others is the foundation that St. Dominic gave to me."*

Ali shared how rewarding her career has been in working with babies and their families. "The strength and resilience I was able to witness was truly a blessing to share a small part of. There are few things that compare to being able to hold a baby, sometimes weighing less than a pound, caring for them, watching them grow, to seeing them go home with their family months later. Each baby was truly a miracle and demonstrated how precious life is." Since graduating from St. Dominic High School as a Peer Minister, Ali has continued to rely on her Faith as she pursued her goals and would like all our current SDHS students to know **"God truly does have a plan for your life and surrendering to Him will bring more joy than you could ever plan for yourself!"**

## Weekly Wellness

Amy Bauer | Wellness Counselor  
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Perhaps strength doesn't reside in having never been broken, but in the courage required to grow strong in the broken places.

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

### NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION

LIFELINE: (800) 273-8255

CRISIS TEXT LINE: Text "HOME" to 741741

### BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESPONSE

24/7 CRISIS SUPPORT HOTLINE: (314) 469-6644

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